

December 14, 2009

Ms. Rosa G. Lewis
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Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Searchlight Leadership Fund
FEC ID No. C00327395

Dear Ms. Lewis:

This is in response to your letter dated December 4, 2009, concerning the Mid-Year Report (1/1/09 to 6/30/09) for the Searchlight Leadership Fund (the ""Committee"").

You ask about expenditures made for "Catering" and "Event Expenses" on Schedule B. These expenditures were for the Committee's own activities and were not made on behalf of any specifically identified federal candidate.

You also ask about expenditures made for "Communications Consulting Services" and ""Photography Services." These expenditures were made to conduct the Committee's own general activities and programs and did not contain express advocacy.

We hope that this information adequately addresses your questions. If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee.

Very truly yours,

Marc E. Elias
Counsel to Searchlight Leadership Fund
