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January 23, 2001

Thomas F. Maxwell, III
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463

Identification Number: C00024521

Reference: Amended October Monthly Report (9/1/2000 - 9/30/2000)

Dear Mr. Maxwell:

I am in receipt of your letter dated January 16th, 2001, to Dan Cohen, Treasurer of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America Political Action Committee (ATLA PAC) regarding our October Monthly Report (9/1/00 - 9/30/00).

Specifically, you state that ATLA PAC allegedly made two contributions of $5,000 each to the Jeff Bingaman campaign committee for the General 2000 election cycle. The first General cycle contribution was check #2912 for $5,000 cut on 12/2/1999. The second General cycle contribution was check #29 for $5,000 supposedly cut on 9/26/2000. An internal review revealed that the second contribution check (#29) for $5,000 cut on 9/26/2000 was in fact a fiction created when ATLA PAC's contribution database crashed. It appears that the PAC database altered the original check when it crashed; creating a fictitious substitute expenditure with a different date and check number. This second General cycle contribution check never existed, however the database automatically generated it on ATLA PAC's Schedule B for Line 23 because the date (9/26/2000) fell within the time period covered by the October Monthly Report.

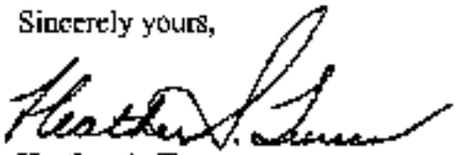
I am working with our Information Technology Department to determine why this incident occurred and how to prevent any more reoccurrences in the future.

I contacted the Jeff Bingaman campaign committee to verify receipt of the two legitimate contribution checks from ATLA PAC; check #2438 for $5,000 Primary 2000 dated 5/4/1999 and check #2912 for $5,000 General 2000 dated 12/2/1999. *Please see attached letter.* I have also included copies of checks #2912 and 2438 for your reference.

Lastly, per your letter, I have included a Schedule A for Line 13 disclosing receipt of the $1,000,000.00 loan from the PrivateBank and Trust Company. ATLA PAC inadvertently neglected to include this Schedule A with its original October Monthly report although it did submit a Schedule C, Schedule C-1 and a copy of the loan promissory note.

I trust that with the submission of this amendment, ATLA PAC is in full compliance with federal election law. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions regarding ATLA PAC's October Monthly Report.

Sincerely yours,



Heather A. Tureen
Director, ATLA PAC
Assistant Treasurer, ATLA PAC

Encl.

# REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Other Than An Authorized Committee
(Summary Page)

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USE FEC MAILING LABEL OR TYPE OR PRINT

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full)
Association of Trial Lawyers of America Political Action Committee (ATLA PAC)

ADDRESS (number and street) ☐ Check if different than previously reported
1050 31st Street, NW

CITY, STATE and ZIP CODE
Washington, DC 20007

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C00024521

3. ☒ This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

4. TYPE OF REPORT

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year End Report
☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-election Year Only)
☐ Termination Report

Monthly Report Due On:
☐ February 20 ☐ March 20 ☐ April 20 ☐ May 20 ☐ June 20 ☐ July 20 ☐ August 20 ☐ September 20 ☒ October 20 ☐ November 20 ☐ December 20 ☐ January 31

☐ 12-Day Pre-Election Report for the _____ (Type of Election) election on _____ in the State of _____

☐ 30-Day Post-Election Report following the General Election on _____ in the State of _____

(b) Is this Report an Amendment? ☒ YES ☐ NO

| SUMMARY | COLUMN A This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date |
|---|---|---|
| 5. Covering Period 9/01/2000 through 9/30/2000 | | |
| 6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 2000 | | $ 702,915.62 |
| (b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period | $ 927,986.73 | |
| (c) Total Receipts (from Line 15) | $ 1,229,897.70 | $ 2,969,141.41 |
| (d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B) | $ 2,157,884.43 | $ 3,672,057.03 |
| 7. Total Disbursements (from Line 30) | $ 745,518.83 | $ 2,259,691.43 |
| 8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d)) | $ 1,412,365.60 | $ 1,412,365.60 |
| 9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | $ 0.00 | |
| 10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D) | $ 1,000,000.00 | |

For further information contact:
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463
Toll Free 800-424-9530
Local 202-694-1100

*I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.*

Type or Print Name of Treasurer: Heather A. Tureen, Assistant Treasurer

Signature of Treasurer: Heather A. Tureen

Date: 1-23-2001

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

FEC FORM 3X
(revised 9/93)

# DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
## OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
### PAGE 2, FEC FORM 3X

(revised 1/1/01)

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Association of Trial Lawyers of Amer. Political Action Committee

REPORT COVERING PERIOD FROM 9/01/00 TO 9/30/00

| | COLUMN A Total This Period | COLUMN B Calendar Year | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **I. Receipts** | | | |
| 11. Contributions (other than loans) From: | | | |
| a. Individual/Persons Other Than Political Committees | | | |
| i. Itemized (use Schedule A) | 180,521.74 | 1,194,059.63 | 11(a) |
| ii. Unitemized | 39,837.08 | 702,096.06 | 11(a) |
| iii. Total (add i and ii) > | 220,358.82 | 1,896,155.69 | 11(a) |
| b. Political Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 | 11(b) |
| c. Other Political Committees (such as PACs) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 11(c) |
| d. Total Contributions (add a iii, b and c) > | 220,358.82 | 1,896,155.69 | 11(d) |
| 12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees | 2,730.88 | 8,637.02 | 12 |
| 13. All Loans Received | 1,000,000.00 | 1,000,000.00 | 13 |
| 14. Loan Repayments Received | 0.00 | 0.00 | 14 |
| 15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.) | 6,808.00 | 64,348.70 | 15 |
| 16. Refunds of Contributions Made to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees | 0.00 | 8,000.00 | 16 |
| 17. Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 17 |
| 18. Transfers from Nonfederal Account for Joint Activity | 0.00 | 0.00 | 18 |
| 19. Total Receipts (add 11d, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18) > | 1,229,897.70 | 2,969,141.41 | 19 |
| 20. Total Federal Receipts (subtract line 16 from line 19) > | 1,229,897.70 | 2,969,141.41 | 20 |
| **II. Disbursements** | | | |
| 21. Operating Expenditures: | | | |
| a. Shared Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4) | | | |
| i. Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 | 21(i) |
| ii. Non-Federal Share | 0.00 | 0.00 | 21(ii) |
| b. Other Federal Operating Expenditures | 5,631.93 | 61,980.63 | 21 |
| c. Total Operating Expenditures (add a i, a ii, and b) > | 5,631.93 | 61,980.63 | 21 |
| 22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 | 22 |
| 23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees | 242,500.00 | 1,350,000.00 | 23 |
| 24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 24 |
| 25. Coordinated Expenditures Made by Party Committees (2 U.S.C. 441a(d)) (use Schedule F) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 25 |
| 26. Loan Repayments Made | 0.00 | 0.00 | 26 |
| 27. Loans Made | 0.00 | 0.00 | 27 |
| 28. Refunds of Contributions To: | | | |
| a. Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees | 14,886.90 | 67,710.80 | 28 |
| b. Political Party Committees | 0.00 | 0.00 | 28 |
| c. Other Political Committees (such as PACs) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 28 |
| d. Total Contribution Refunds (add a, b and c) > | 14,886.90 | 67,710.80 | 28 |
| 29. Other Disbursements | 482,500.00 | 750,000.00 | 29 |
| 30. Total Disbursements (add 21c, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28d, and 29) > | 745,518.83 | 2,259,691.43 | 30 |
| 31. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract line 21 a i from line 30) > | 745,518.83 | 2,259,691.43 | 31 |
| **III. Net Contributions/Operating Expenditures** | | | |
| 32. Total Contributions (other than loans)(from line 11d) | 220,358.82 | 1,896,155.69 | 32 |
| 33. Total Contribution Refunds (from line 28d) | 14,886.90 | 67,710.80 | 33 |
| 34. Net Contributions (other than loans)(subtract line 33 from 32) | 205,471.92 | 1,828,444.89 | 34 |
| 35. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add 21 a i and 21 b) > | 5,631.93 | 61,980.63 | 35 |
| 36. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from line 15) | 6,808.00 | 64,348.70 | 36 |
| 37. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract line 36 from 35) > | -1,176.07 | 5,631.93 | 37 |

FEC FORM 3X

**SCHEDULE A** **ITEMIZED RECEIPTS**

Use separate schedule(s) for each category of the Detailed Summary Page



FOR LINE NUMBER 13

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**NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)**
The Association of Trial Lawyers of America Political Action Committee

| A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code | Name of Employer | Date (month, day, year) | Amount of Each Receipt this Period |
|---|---|---|---|
| The PrivateBank & Trust Company<br>Ten North Dearborn St., Ste. 900<br>Chicago, IL 60602 | N/A | 9/29/00 | $1,000,000.00 |
| Receipt For: ☐ Primary ☐ General ☒ Other (specify): Loan | Occupation N/A<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date > $1,000,000.00 | | |
| B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code | Name of Employer | Date (month, day, year) | Amount of Each Receipt this Period |
| | Occupation | | |
| Receipt For: ☐ Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify): | Aggregate Year-to-Date > $ | | |
| C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code | Name of Employer | Date (month, day, year) | Amount of Each Receipt this Period |
| | Occupation | | |
| Receipt For: ☐ Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify): | Aggregate Year-to-Date > $ | | |
| D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code | Name of Employer | Date (month, day, year) | Amount of Each Receipt this Period |
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| | Occupation | | |
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| G. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code | Name of Employer | Date (month, day, year) | Amount of Each Receipt this Period |
| | Occupation | | |
| Receipt For: ☐ Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify): | Aggregate Year-to-Date > $ | | |

**SUBTOTAL** of Receipts This Page (optional) ..... $1,000,000.00

**TOTAL** This Period (last page this line number only) ..... $1,000,000.00

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P.O. Box 2048
Albuquerque, NM 87103
Phone: 505.266.5333
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bingaman2000.com

JEFF BINGAMAN
U.S. Senator

January 17, 2001

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that the Bingaman Re-Election Campaign (AKA "A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman") received 2 checks from the ATLA PAC during the 2000 Campaign cycle.

We received a check for $5,000.00 on 5/11/99 for the 2000 Primary Election and a check for $5,000.00 on 12/13/99 for the 2000 General Election.

Please contact me at (505) 332-3711 if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Lori D. Peterkin
Custodian of the Records and Assist. Treasurer
Bingaman Re-Election Campaign

Contributions or gifts are not deductible for federal income tax purposes. Corporate contributions and contributions by individuals under age of 18 are prohibited. Paid for by A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman, John F. Salazar, Chairman.

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POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE
A MULTICANDIDATE COMMITTEE
1050 - 31ST STREET, NW.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20007

RIGGS BANK, N.A.
CHEVY CHASE OFFICE
WASHINGTON, DC 20015-2675
15-3-540

Date: 05-04-99

PAY TO THE ORDER OF A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman $ 5,000.00

Five thousand and no/100 ********** DOLLARS

A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman
501 Capitol Court, N.E., Ste. 200
MEMO * PRIMARY 2000 *
Washington, DC 20002

Daniel R. Cohen

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POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (ATLA PAC)

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Date: 05-04-99 Amount: $5,000.00

☐ Earmarked

FEC line: FEC 23

Delivery Notes: To be delivered at fundraiser on 5/4/99.
Please return check stub indicating to whom the check was delivered, and the date of delivery.
RETURN TO: ATLA PAC, 1050 31st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20007, ATTENTION: Heather Tureen, Director, ATLA PAC.

Purpose: Contribution: Jeff Bingaman (NM-D)

Office: Federal Senate

Election: Primary 2000

Recipient: A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman
501 Capitol Court, N.E., Ste. 200
PRIMARY 2000
Washington, DC 20002

Party: Democrat
State: NM
District: 0

ASSOCIATION OF TRIAL LAWYERS OF AMERICA
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501 Capitol Court, N.E., Ste. 200
PRIMARY 2000
Washington, DC 20002

Party: Democrat
State: NM
District: 0

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20007

RIGGS BANK, N.A.
CHEVY CHASE OFFICE
WASHINGTON, DC 20015-2675
15-3-540

Date: 12-02-99

PAY TO THE ORDER OF A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman $ 5,000.00

Five thousand and no/100 ********** DOLLARS

A Lot of People Who Support Jeff Bingaman
501 Capitol Court, N.E., Ste. 200
MEMO *GENERAL 2000*
Washington, DC 20002

Daniel R. Cohen

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ASSOCIATION OF TRIAL LAWYERS OF AMERICA
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Date: 12-02-99 Amount: $5,000.00
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ATTN: Heather Tureen, PAC Director.

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Office: Federal Senate
Election: General 2000
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501 Capitol Court, N.E., Ste. 200
GENERAL 2000
Washington, DC 20002

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