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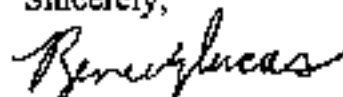
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Dear Mr. Koeppen:

Please find attached a copy of a letter and refund check from The Financial Services Roundtable PAC. This refund was prompted by an over contribution of \$1,000 in 1999.

I feel this successfully closes the matter. However, if additional action is needed, do not hesitate to contact me at (410) 347-8390.

Sincerely,



Renee Y. Lucas
Accounting Officer

THE FINANCIAL SERVICES ROUNDTABLE



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October 16, 2001

Renee Lucas
Merchantile Bankshares Corporation PAC
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Linthicum, MD 21090

Dear Ms. Lucas:

Enclosed please find a check for \$1000 from The Financial Services Roundtable Political Action Committee to the Merchantile Bankshares Corporation PAC. This check is a refund for an excessive federal contribution received in 1999. In order to comply with the Federal Election Commission, we can only accept \$5,000 per calendar year from another political action committee. Thank you for informing us of this error.

On behalf of The Financial Services Roundtable, I hope you'll accept my apology for any confusion this may have caused and thank you for your support of The Financial Services Roundtable PAC.

Sincerely,

Richard M. Whiting

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	<u>\$ 1000.00</u>		
	<u>One thousand dollars and 00/100</u>		
	DOLLARS \$ <u>1000</u>		
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FOR <u>Refund of 1999 over contribution</u>		<u>Richard M. Whiting</u>	
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