



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON D.C. 20463

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January 28, 1999

Michael J. Kasper, Treasurer
Democratic Party of Illinois
P.O. Box 518
Springfield, IL 62705

Identification Number: C00167015

Reference: October Quarterly (7/1/98-9/30/98), Amended October Quarterly (7/1/98-9/30/98), received 10/23/98 and 12 Day Pre-General (10/1/98-10/14/98) Reports

Dear Mr. Kasper:

This letter is to inform you that as of January 27, 1999 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated January 6, 1999. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Neil Evans on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



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Identification Number: C00167015

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/98-9/30/98)

Dear Mr. Kasper:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) and 11 CFR §110.1(d) preclude a committee and its affiliates from receiving contributions from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year:

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with the clarifying information. If the contribution(s) you received exceeded the limits, you must seek reattribution of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.1(k), transfer-out the amount in excess of \$5,000 to an account not used to influence federal elections or refund the excessive amount to the donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In the best interest of your committee, all reattributions, transfers-out, and refunds should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s). In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of granting written authorization for a reattribution or transfer-out to another account or receiving a refund.

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Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution, transfer-out or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portions attached) discloses an apparent contribution(s) from a corporation(s). 2 U.S.C. §441b(a)) prohibits the receipt of contributions from corporations unless made from a separate segregated fund established by the corporation.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have received a corporate contribution(s), you must transfer-out the impermissible funds to an account not used to influence federal elections or refund the full amount to the donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In the best interest of your committee, all transfers-out and refunds should be made within thirty days of the treasurer's receipt of the impermissible funds. In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of receiving a refund or granting written authorization for a transfer to another account.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. In addition, any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of a prohibited contribution, prompt action by your committee to transfer-out or refund the amount will be taken into consideration.

-You must attempt to obtain the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer for all individuals who contribute more than \$200 in a calendar year. Please amend your report to include the omitted information.

A committee may establish "best efforts" by providing the Commission with a description of its procedures for requesting the information. It is also in the best interests of the committee to provide a copy of its solicitation. In order to establish "best efforts", the committee must demonstrate that it makes at least one request for the information after the contribution is received. This one request must be made for any solicited or unsolicited contribution that, in the aggregate, exceeds the \$200 threshold and lacks the necessary information.

Each solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the information. If a committee receives a contribution that, in the aggregate, exceeds the \$200 threshold but lacks contributor information, the committee must, within 30 days, make a written or oral request for the information. Please note that a written request may not include an additional solicitation or material on any other subject, other than thanking the contributor for the donation, and must include a pre-addressed return post card or envelope for the contributor's response. An oral request must be documented in writing. Committees must also disclose information that was not provided by the contributor, but is available in any of the committee's records for that current election cycle.

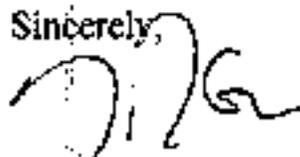
If a committee receives contributor information after the contributions have been reported, the committee shall either a) file with its next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before its next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i) and 11 CFR § 104.7)

-Schedule H4 discloses 100% non-federal activity. Please be advised that by definition, this activity does not qualify as a shared expense to be allocated between your federal and non-federal accounts. This activity should be itemized on a Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Any reimbursement from your committee's non-federal account for any portion of this activity is not permissible and must be returned. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

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A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Neil Evans
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be sold or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF ILLINOIS IDENTIFICATION #: C00167015 7/01/98 TO 09/30/98

ME

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
BRUCE N. COOK, ATTORNEY AT LAW 28 OAK KNOLL BELLEVILLE IL 62220	BRUCE N. COOK, ATTORNEY AT LAW Occupation: ATTORNEY	09/17/1998	10000.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$	10000.00	

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
DONALD J. BOLAN, LTD. ONE NORT LASALLE CHICAGO IL 60602	NOLAN LAW GROUP Occupation: ATTORNEY	09/19/1998	5000.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$	5000.00	

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
E.S. FLAKPCE M.D. M.S. S.C. 2315 E. 93RD STREET CHICAGO IL 60617	Occupation:	09/16/1998	500.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$	500.00	

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
EDWIN K. McDONALD III D.D.S. 3195 BROADWAY GLENVIEW IL 60409	Occupation:	09/16/1998	250.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$	250.00	

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GORDON & SCHWENKMEYER, INC. 550 N. CONTINENTAL BLVD. EL SEQUOIO CA 90245	Occupation:	08/29/1998	2000.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$	4500.00	

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Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code GORDON & SCHWENMEYER, INC. 550 N. CONTINENTAL BLVD. EL SEQUOYO CA 90245	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
	Occupation:	08/29/1998	2500.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$		4500.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code GORDON AND SCHWENMEYER 550 N. CONTINENTAL BLVD. EL SEQUOYO CA 90245	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
	Occupation:	08/29/1998	5000.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$		5000.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code MADRIC 2650 LAKEVIEW AVENUE CHICAGO IL 60614	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
	Occupation:	07/17/1998	2000.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$		2000.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code MADRIC 2650 LAKEVIEW AVENUE CHICAGO IL 60614	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
	Occupation:	07/17/1998	1000.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$		2000.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code ROBERT G. FLYNN, CLD 255 E. PLATO BLVD. ST. PAUL IL 65107	Name of Employer	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this period
	Occupation:	09/01/1998	300.00
Receipt For: GENERAL	Aggregate Year-to-Date \$		300.00

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