



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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November 16, 2005

Drew Smith, Treasurer
Democratic Party of Arkansas
1300 West Capitol Avenue
Little Rock, AR 72201

**Response Due Date:
December 16, 2005**

Identification Number: C00024372

Reference: October Monthly Report (9/1/05 – 9/30/05)

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Your Amended August Monthly Report (7/1/05 – 7/31/05), received 9/22/05, Amended September Monthly Report (8/1/05 – 8/31/05), received 10/13/05, and October Monthly Report (9/1/05 – 9/30/05), combined, disclose memo Schedule A's totaling \$15,029.04 for "ASDC Dollars for Democrats," which appears to be your committee's share of the gross contributions received from a joint fundraising committee. However, there are no corresponding transfers-in from the related joint fundraising committee disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 12 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please amend your report(s) to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

-Schedule H3 of your report discloses "Deposit" as the name of account(s) for transfers received from an apparent non-federal account for shared activity. Please verify if these transfers were received from a non-federal account of your committee and amend your report with any clarifying information.

-Please clarify all expenditures made for "catering of dinner," "catering," "catering – meeting," "dinner and sponsorship," "facilities rental," and "linen rental" on Schedules B and H4. If a portion or all of these

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expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23, 24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of your report discloses receipts identified as "Below Limit - Not Required." Please be advised that federal regulations require the itemization of all contributions from individuals/persons that aggregate greater than \$200 in the calendar year. Contributions from individuals/persons that aggregate \$200 or less need only be disclosed on **Line 11(a)(ii)** of the Detailed Summary Page.

Please clarify whether the receipts disclosed on Schedule A includes any contributions that aggregate greater than \$200 from an individual/person in the calendar year. If this is the case, please amend your report by itemizing the contributions from each individual/person on Schedule A. 11 CFR §104.3(a)(2)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1148.

Sincerely,



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