



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

March 17, 2004

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Marcus Vaden, Treasurer  
Democratic Party of Arkansas  
1300 West Capitol Avenue  
Little Rock, AR 72201

**Response Due Date:**  
**April 16, 2004**

Identification Number: C00024372

Reference: Amended Year End Report (7/1/03 – 12/31/03), received 3/3/04

Dear Mr. Vaden:

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:

-The totals listed on Lines 21(a)(i) and 22, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Your calculations for Line 21(c), Column B appear to be incorrect. Please provide the corrected total(s) on the Detailed Summary Page.

-Schedule B discloses a loan in the amount of \$5,000 made to "Democratic Party of Arkansas." According to 11 CFR §100.52(b)(1), any loan made by a political committee is subject to the limitations outlined in 11 CFR part 110. Please be advised that while repayment of the principal amount of such a loan is not considered a contribution by the debtor to the lender committee, the repayments must be comprised of permissible funds subject to the prohibitions of 11 CFR §110.4(a) and Part 114.

**Unlike previous election cycles, 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 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1157.

Sincerely,



Brandy Phillips  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

