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Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

Identification Number: C00142596
RE: Year End Report (7/1/99 - 12/31/99)

Dear Sirs:

A refund has been issued to Charles McMahan representing excessive contributions for the following years:

1999	\$1,629.76
1998	\$1,209.31
1997	\$ 400.00

A copy of this check is enclosed, and this transaction will be reported on Schedule B, line 28-A. Thanks for your notification of this situation. Please feel free to contact me at (205) 558-5738.

Sincerely,

Sue Brewis
Treasurer, Compass Bancpac

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Enclosures (2)

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P O BOX 10566
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35205



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PAY
TO THE
ORDER OF

****3,239 DOLLARS AND 07 CENTS

DATE

AMOUNT

PAYEE ID # 439564613
CHARLES MCMAHEN
6112 BURGOYNE
HOUSTON, TX 77057

03/07/2000

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CONTRIBUTIONS OVER LIMIT 97,98,99

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Compass Bancshares Inc. Political
Action Committee
P.O. Box 10566
Birmingham, AL 35296

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Reference: Year End Report (7/1/99-12/31/99)

Dear Ms. Brewis:

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.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or

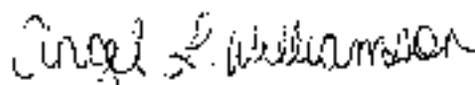
refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which 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 supporting Line 11(a)(i) discloses contributions received through a payroll deduction plan. Generally, a committee's report must identify each contribution from an individual which in the aggregate exceeds \$200 during the calendar year. (2 U.S.C. §434(b)) For your information, instead of separate itemization, a committee using a payroll deduction plan may disclose the aggregate amount of contributions received from the contributor through the payroll deduction plan during the reporting period; the identification of the individual where the contribution exceeds \$200 in the aggregate during the calendar year; and a statement of the amount deducted per pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b)

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. 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,


Angel L. Williamson
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

Federal Election Commission

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