

MERCANTILE BANKSHARES CORPORATION
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

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Federal Election Commission
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Dear Mr. Keoppen:

This is in response to a letter received from your office on September 27, 2001. The letter informed us that in 1999 we contributed PAC funds to The Financial Services Roundtable PAC in the amount of \$6000.00.

In reviewing our files we confirm that we over contributed \$1,000.00 to The Financial Services Roundtable PAC. In order to correct this error we have taken the following actions:

1. The PAC was contacted by telephone and informed of the situation.
2. The telephone conversation was followed by a certified letter sent to the attention of Mr. Steven Bartlett, President of the PAC.
3. To further facilitate the matter copies of the canceled checks were sent along with the letter.
4. A follow-up call was made to the PAC to confirm receipt of the documents.

I feel that the actions taken above shows our due diligence in trying to resolve this matter. If you think further action needs to be taken, please contact me at (410)347-8390.

Sincerely,



Renee Y. Lucas
Accounting Officer

MERCANTILE BANKSHARES CORPORATION
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October 02, 2001

The Financial Services Roundtable PAC
Attn: Steve Bartlett, President
805 Fifteenth St., N.W.
Suite 600
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Bartlett:

On September 27, 2001, our office received a letter from the Federal Election Commission, informing us that in 1999 we contributed \$6,000.00 to your PAC. As you may know the maximum amount that can be contributed to a single PAC is \$5,000.00.

After reviewing our files we found this to be correct, on 7/22/99 and 10/18/99 we sent contributions of \$1,000.00 and \$5,000.00 respectively. In order to comply with Federal Election Act 2 U.S.C 441a(a) which precludes a committee from making contributions to another political committee and its affiliates in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year, we are requesting a refund of \$1,000.00.

For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of the letter dated September 27, 2001 from the Federal Election Commission and copies of the cancelled checks.

If you have any questions or you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (410) 347-8390.

Your prompt response to this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Renee Y. Lucas
Accounting Officer
Financial Services

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MULTICANDIDATE PAC

PO BOX 1477

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21203

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THE FINANCIAL SERVICES ROUNDTABLE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

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BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON DEPOSITORY & TRUST COMPANY
2 HOPKINS PLAZA
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21201

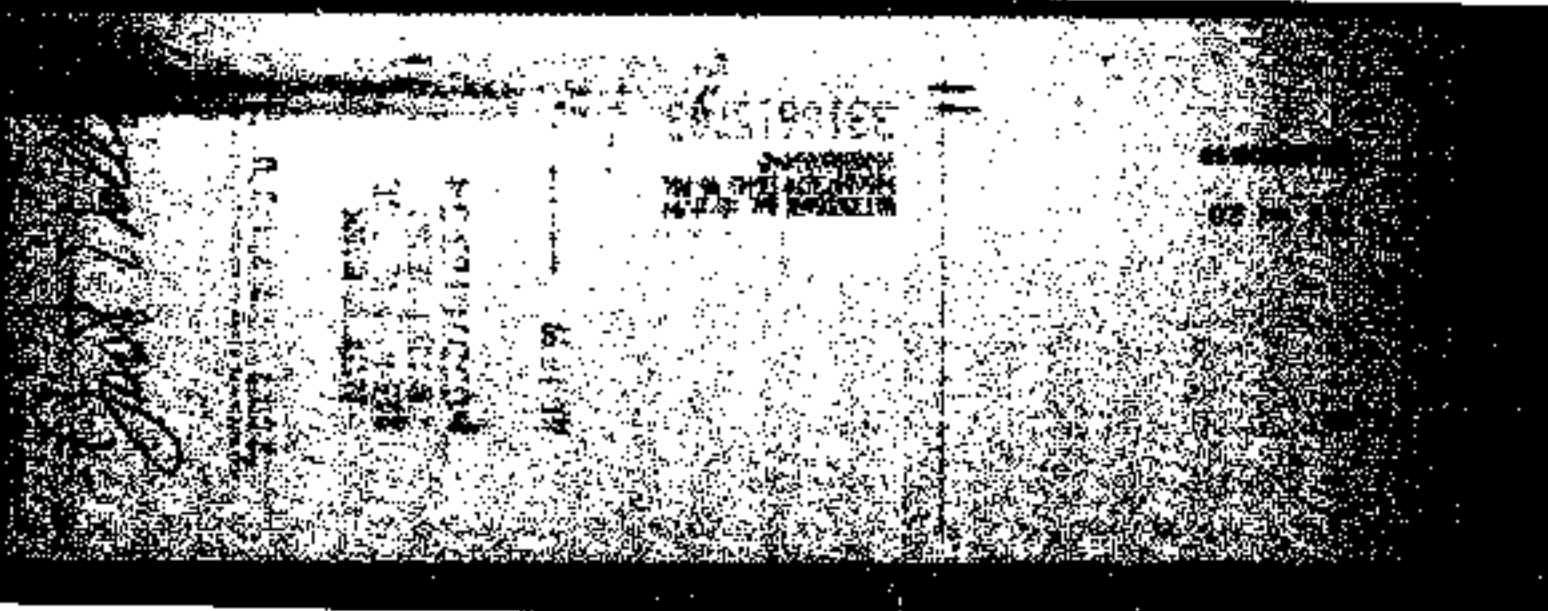
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