



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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June 18, 2003

Bob Mayzes, Treasurer
 Georgia Republican Party
 5600 Roswell Road, Suite 200 East
 Atlanta, GA 30342

Identification Number: C00150672

Reference: 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02)

Dear Mr. Mayzes:

On May 7, 2003 you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your May 16, 19, and 22, 2003 responses are incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For these responses to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-The totals listed on Lines 11(c), 11(f), 32, 34, Column B of the Summary and 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.

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

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the

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clarifying information. Please note that if any of these receipts are qualifying fees or ballot access payments, please amend your report to properly report them on Schedule A supporting Line 17 of the Detailed Summary Page(s)

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt, (1) the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person, such as a joint account holder, by obtaining signed written authorizations from each person making the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR 110.1(k)(3), and (2) the treasurer informs the person making the contribution that he or she may request the return of the excessive portion of the contribution if it is not intended to be a joint contribution. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

Alternatively, the funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1) transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any 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.

-Identification remains incomplete for a significant number of contributors. Please file an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for

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which additional information was received. Additionally, please note that in order to establish "best efforts," you must demonstrate the following:

- All original solicitations include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information.
- If the information is not provided, no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution you make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information by oral or written request, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not.
- All oral follow-up requests are documented in writing
- All written follow-up requests contain a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

-Please clarify all expenditures for "voter registration" and/or "72 Hour GOTV Effort" and GOTV Mailings". If any of these activities referenced House or Senate candidates, they should be allocated accordingly, unless merely incidental to the overall activity. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of federal candidates, they should be reported on Schedules B, E or F for Lines 23, 24 or 25 of the Detailed Summary Page, as appropriate.

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "VPOTUS Rally". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by June 18, 2003. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions for 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.

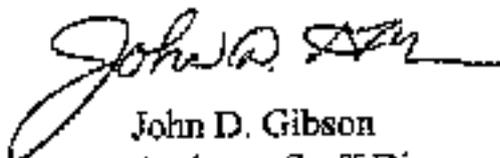
Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and

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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 have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Alissa Sagri on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division), our local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



John D. Gibson
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