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February 28, 1997

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

Identification Number: C00074450

Dear Mr. Gibson:

This letter is in response to your February 13, 1997, letter to us in which you question our January 30, 1997, response to J.P. Andre's January 15, 1997, inquiry.

We believe our January 30, 1997, response is adequate. We do not understand why you are asking that we request an advisory opinion on the past incident. We or our representative will be in contact with the General Counsel's office to determine the appropriateness of such a request.

Sincerely,

Richard Johnson
Executive Director
Republican Party of Wisconsin - Federal Account

cc: S. Hamill, Treasurer

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February 13, 1997

Robert R. Barrow, Treasurer
Republican Party of Wisconsin-
Federal Committee
148 E. Johnson Street
Madison, WI 53701

Identification Number: C00074450

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/96-9/30/96)

Dear Mr. Barrow:

On January 15, 1997 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.

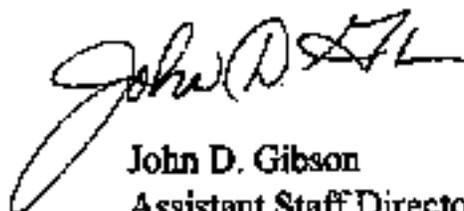
Your February 3, 1997 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-The Commission notes the receipt of your letter stating that the Republican Party of Wisconsin - Federal Account and the 7th Congressional District Republican Party of Wisconsin qualify for the exemption of presumption of affiliation afforded under 11 CFR 110.3(b)(3). If your committee is not an affiliated committee, then your committee must demonstrate its independence from party committees within its state, by petitioning the Commission in the form of an Advisory Opinion to determine if it satisfies the criteria of independence described in 11 CFR 110.3(b).

If this information is not received by the Commission within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact J.P. Andre' on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Gibson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

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