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March 8, 2003

Brandy Phillips, Campaign Finance Analyst  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, NW  
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Re: St. Louisians for Better Government  
identification Number: C00148155  
Year End Report (1/26/02-12/31/02)

Dear Ms. Phillips:

Thank you for helping me in making this response to your inquiry. Unfortunately, I was unable to electronically submit this correspondence. I suppose it was my fault, but clicking the send box failed to work, so I'm responding by "snail mail."

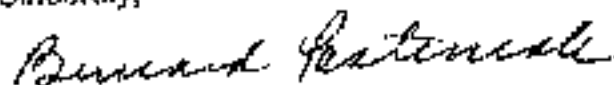
Your correspondence dated February 20, 2003 discusses the seeming after-election contribution to the "Friends of Roy Blunt" campaign committee in the amount of \$1,000. The contribution was reported on our FEC Form 3X under date of 12/1/02. My telephone discussion with you indicated a recitation of the facts would be satisfactory to the Commission.

Our contribution was originally made on a cashier's check dated October 4, 2002 and delivered to the campaign committee on November 4, 2002. That check was returned to us with a letter from Denise Summers, Compliance Director, Friends of Roy Blunt. We received that letter on December 1, 2002. In the letter, Ms. Summers told us, "...Friends of Roy Blunt has a policy of not taking money orders and/or cashier's checks due to the sensitivity of Federal Election Commission rules and regulations...and we hope you will consider returning your contribution to us in the form of a PAC check."

Our check for \$1,000 dated December 1, 2002 was sent with my letter to Ms. Summers as a replacement for the cashier's check returned to us.

Please let us know if this explanation is acceptable.

Sincerely,



Bernard Pasternak, Treasurer  
St. Louisians for Better Government

Federal Election Commission

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