



Ventura County Deputy Sheriffs' Association

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Federal Election Commission
Reports Analysis Division
Attn: Erik W. Koeppen, Reports Analyst
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: ID Number C00354696
April Quarterly Report (1/1/00-3/31/00)

Dear Mr. Koeppen:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the above-referenced subject. Please consider the following our written response:

By way of introduction, the Ventura County Deputy Sheriffs' Association (VCDSA) is a labor organization and 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. VCDSA serves as the collective bargaining unit for all active-duty members of the Ventura County Sheriff's Department holding the rank of Deputy, Senior Deputy, or Sergeant, and all sworn District Attorney Investigators of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office. Prior to registration of the VCDSA Political Action Committee with the FEC, VCDSA operated a PAC registered with the State of California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC). The name of that PAC was and is the Ventura County Deputy Sheriffs' Association Political Action Committee.

As your letter suggests, the April Quarterly Report we submitted to the FEC for the quarter ending 3/31/00 was our first filing following the submission of our Statement of Organization in February 2000. The cash on hand at the time of registration (\$8,182, per the report) was comprised of those funds existing in our state PAC fund as of the beginning of the quarter, plus approximately \$6 interest. A copy of our FPPC "Amended" Recipient Committee Campaign Statement—Short Form, California Form 450, for the period ending 12/31/99, is enclosed herewith. You will note our ending cash balance as of 12/31/99 was \$8,176.

With respect to the initial source of those funds, as of 12/31/99 each member of VCDSA was making biweekly contributions toward the PAC fund of \$0.35, equal to \$9.10 per member per year. Subsequently, during the year 2000, the biweekly contribution to our PAC fund was increased to an amount equal to 0.15% of the biweekly salary of a Top Step Deputy Sheriff. Presently, that amount is \$3.38 per member per

"Committed to the protection, support and economic advancement of all of our members."

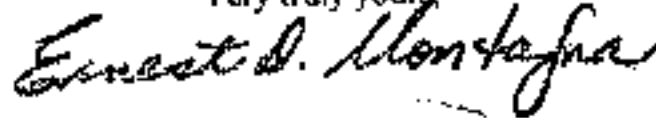
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biweek, or \$87.88 per member per year. As you can see, individual donors still contribute less than \$100 per year.

Membership in VCDSA was and is voluntary, as is contribution towards VCDSA's PAC activities. All members are given oral and written notification of those facts.

Enclosed herewith is a "memo Schedule A" reflecting the source of the \$8,182 in our PAC at the time of its origination, as described above. If any further information or documentation is necessary, please advise.

Very truly yours

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ernest D. Montagna". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Ernest D. Montagna
Treasurer, VCDSA PAC

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Ernest D. Montagna, Treasurer
Ventura County Deputy Sheriffs'
Association PAC (VCDSA PAC)
1690 Ventura Boulevard
Camarillo, CA 93010

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Reference: April Quarterly Report (1/1/00-3/31/00)

Dear Mr. Montagna:

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:

-Political committees which have cash on hand at the time of registration must disclose the source of the funds. The balance is assumed to be composed of those contributions most recently received by the committee prior to registration. Please identify the source of these contributions on a memo Schedule A. 11 CFR §104.12

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Erik W. Koeppen".

Erik W. Koeppen
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

VENTURA COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION PAC

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) VENTURA CNTY DEPUTY

A. SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Mailing Address

11090 VENTURA BLVD.

City

State

Zip Code

CAMARILLO CA 93010

FEC ID number of contributing
federal political committee.

N/A

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Name of Employer

N/A

Occupation

N/A

Receipt For:

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Primary

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Other (specify) ONGOING
PAC ACTIVITIES

Aggregate Year-to-Date ▼

8,182.00

Date of Receipt

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Amount of Each Receipt this Period

8,182.00

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Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

FEC ID number of contributing
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Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Mailing Address

City

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