



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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April 6, 2000

C. Edward Jordan Jr., Treasurer
Commerce Bancorp Inc. - Political
Action Committee Fed
1701 Route 70 East
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

Identification Number: C00303156

Reference: Year End Report (7/1/99-12/31/99)

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is to inform you that as of April 5, 2000 the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated March 15, 2000. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

The Commission is in receipt of your 1999 Amended Mid-Year Report dated March 30, 2000; however, it does not address the issues in the above-referenced letter. If no response is received 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 regarding this matter, please contact Antoinette Kitchen on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Gibson".

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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Dear Mr. Jordan:

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:

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a committee from making contributions to another political committee and its affiliates in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$5,000.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration.

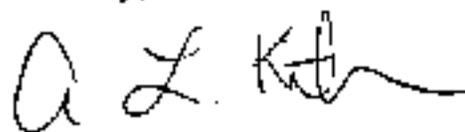
-The total listed on Line 7, Column B of the Summary Page appears to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B total. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Your calculations for Line 30, Columns A and B appear to be incorrect. Please provide the corrected total(s) on the Detailed Summary Page.

-Line 9 of the Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$69,388.22 in debts and obligations owed to the committee. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule C, however, indicates the total to be \$19,388.22. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

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 "A. L. Kitchen". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Antoinette Kitchen
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

Use separate schedule for each category of the General Summary Page

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Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be sold or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full)

Commerce Bancorp Inc., PAC-FED

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Parker McCoy & Ciacullo Soc 401 Three Greenacre Centre Rt 73 & Greenacre Rd. Marlton, NJ 08053	Consultation fee Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	7/28/99	1,050.00
Whitman for Senate 3131 Princeton Pike Bldg 4 Ste 215 Lawrenceville, NJ 08648	Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	8/2/99	1,000.00
NJ Republican State Committee	Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	8/30/99	10,000.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
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SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional)

TOTAL This Period (use page this line number only)

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The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial statements. The text also highlights the need for regular audits to detect any discrepancies or errors early on.

Furthermore, it outlines the various methods used to collect and analyze data, including interviews, surveys, and focus groups. Each method has its own strengths and limitations, and the choice of method depends on the specific research objectives and the nature of the data being collected.

The document also touches upon the ethical considerations involved in research, such as obtaining informed consent from participants and ensuring the confidentiality of their data. It stresses that researchers have a responsibility to conduct their work in a transparent and ethical manner.

In addition, the text provides a detailed overview of the data analysis process. It describes how raw data is cleaned, organized, and then analyzed using statistical software. The results are then interpreted in the context of the research questions and hypotheses.

The final section of the document discusses the importance of clear and concise reporting of the research findings. It provides guidelines for writing a research report, including how to structure the introduction, literature review, methodology, results, and conclusion. The goal is to ensure that the research is accessible and understandable to a wide range of stakeholders.

Overall, the document serves as a comprehensive guide for anyone involved in the research process, from data collection to final reporting. It provides practical advice and best practices to help researchers achieve their goals and contribute to the field of study.