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Response Due Date
04/09/2010

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00358440

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (07/01/2009 - 12/31/2009)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 items:

1. Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses contributions to "DEFEND AMERICA PAC," "DEMOCRATIC SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE," "JAZZ PAC," and "TALLATCHEE CREEK INC. PAC;" however, you have also disclosed "RICHARD C. SHELBY," "CARL LEVIN," "MARY L LANDRIEU," and "JEFFERSON B SESSIONS," respectively, for these transactions. Please clarify whether these were earmarked contributions made by your committee through these political committees to the candidates, or if you made the contributions to the political committees exercising no direction or control over how the funds were to be used. If the latter is the case, please do not include the candidate's name on your report. Please amend your report to clarify the ultimate recipient of this contribution(s).
2. Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses a contribution to Wicker for Senate designated for Primary 2010. However, U.S. Senate elections are not being held in Mississippi in 2010. Please amend your report to clarify the designated election year for these contributions.

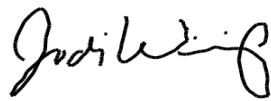
Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions 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. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

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Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and 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 should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-**1136**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jodi Winship". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jodi" and last name "Winship" clearly distinguishable.

Jodi Winship
Senior Campaign Finance and Reviewing Analyst
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