



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

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May 15, 2003

Dan Cohen, Treasurer
Association of Trial Lawyers of America
Political Action Committee
1050 31st Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20007

Identification Number: C00024521

Reference: 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02)

Dear Mr. Cohen:

This letter is to inform you that as of May 14, 2003, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated April 23, 2003. 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).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by June 4, 2003. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. 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.

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, please contact Erik Koeppe 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,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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Dear Mr. Cohen:

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:

-The totals listed on Lines 11(a)(iii), 11(d), 15, 19, 20, 21(b), 21(c), 23, 28(a), 28(d), 30, and 31, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear 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 totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-The beginning cash balance of this report should equal the ending balance of your Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report, received 3/18/03. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.

-Your calculations for Lines 6(c) and 7, Column B appear to be incorrect. FEC calculations disclose these amounts to be \$3,784,120.36 and \$3,659,614.83, respectively. Please provide the corrected totals on the Summary Page.

-Your calculations for Line 8 appear to be incorrect. Cash-on-hand at the close of the current reporting period should always equal the closing

calendar year-to-date cash-on-hand amount. Please provide the corrected total on the Summary Page.

-Line 11(a)(i) of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$396,953.26 in itemized receipts from individuals. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule A, however, indicates the total to be \$393,532.39. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-Your previous filing, the Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report, received 3/18/03, disclosed a \$450,000 loan(s) from "The Private Bank and Trust Company". This report, however, does not include a Schedule C to disclose the status of the loan(s), nor are there any loan repayments on Schedule B. Please provide a Schedule C to show the status of the loan(s) and/or a Schedule B to show loan repayments. Loans must be continuously reported until they are repaid. 11 CFR §104.3(d)

A response or 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. 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 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.

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