



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Ashland County Republican Party Executive Committee
PO Box 312
Ashland, Ohio 44805

To the Executive Committee:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Republican Executive Committee (the Committee), solely to assist the Committee in evaluating its compliance with Sections 3517.17 and 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code for the year ended December 31, 2003. Management is responsible for the Committee's compliance with those requirements. We followed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards for agreed-upon procedures engagements. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Executive Committee. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Cash Receipts

We confirmed the Ohio Political Party Fund receipts with the State of Ohio and agreed them to amounts shown on the Ohio Campaign Finance Report.

A State of Ohio check dated October 14, 2003 in the amount of \$40.80 was never deposited. The Treasurer will request for a new check to be re-issued.

We found no additional exceptions as a result of these procedures.

Cash Reconciliation

We compared the cash balance recorded on the Ohio Campaign Finance Report with the bank balance for the Ashland County Republican Party Executive Committee Public Funds Account as of December 31, 2003. The amounts agreed.

There were no reconciling items at December 31, 2003.

We found no exceptions as a result of these procedures.

Cash Disbursements

The Committee had one disbursement during the year on the Statement of Expenditures, which we traced to a bank service charge on the bank statement.

We found no exceptions as a result of these procedures.

Payroll Disbursements

The Ashland County Republican Party Executive Committee had no payroll disbursements during 2003.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance of the Ohio Campaign Finance Report which is attached to this report. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that we would have reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.

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Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

April 12, 2004

**REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY
ASHLAND COUNTY**

**OHIO CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003
(UNAUDITED)**

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2003		\$ 948
Receipts:		
State Distribution	380	
Refund	<u>8</u>	
Total Receipts		388
Disbursements:		
Bank Charge	<u>3</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>3</u>
Ending Balance, December 31, 2003		<u>\$ 1,333</u>

(See Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures)

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ASHLAND COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
APRIL 29, 2004**