

**MERCER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY  
MERCER COUNTY**

**JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018  
AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**



# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



Executive Committee  
Mercer County Republican Party  
8398 Celina-Mendon Road  
Celina, OH 45822

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Mercer County Republican Party, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Mercer County Republican Party is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith Faber".

Keith Faber  
Auditor of State

March 12, 2019

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Secretary of State of Ohio  
Republican Executive Committee  
Mercer County  
8398 Celina-Mendon Road  
Celina, OH 45822

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Republican Executive Committee, the management of Mercer County Republican Executive Committee (the Committee), the Secretary of State and the Auditor of State, on compliance requirements listed in Ohio Rev. Code Sections 3517.1012, 3517.13 (X)(1), 2(b), (3)(a), and (4), 3517.17 and 3517.18 for certain receipts, expenditures and restricted funds for the year ended December 31, 2018, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Committee. The Committee is responsible for the compliance of those requirements related to receipts, disbursements and restricted funds. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report.

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

1. We inquired of the Committee whether they deposited all gifts from corporations, labor organizations and all gifts restricted to operations into the same fund into which they deposit amounts received from the State Commissioner and the Ohio State Executive Committee of the Republican Party. Management informed us they received no such gifts.
2. We did not foot each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* Ohio Rev. Code 3517.17 requires (Deposit Form 31-CC), as the form was not filed for 2018 due to no receipts being received in 2018.
3. We did not compare bank deposits reflected in 2018 restricted fund bank statements to total deposits recorded in Deposit Form 31-CC, as the form was not filed for 2018 due to no receipts being received in 2018.
4. We inspected the Committee's 2018 bank statements and they did not reflect four quarterly payments received from the State Tax Commissioner and the Ohio State Executive Committee at the Republican Party pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code 3517.17(A), as three distributions were not made, and one was \$0. The bank statements did not report the three payments in the amount of \$5.14, \$6.03, and \$0.26, respectively, as they were not distributed. Additionally, the Deposit Form 31-CC did not report the three payments as the form was not filed in 2018.
5. We inspected other recorded 2018 receipts for evidence that a corporation or labor organization may have exceeded the \$10,000 annual gift limit Ohio Rev. Code 3517.13(X)(3)(a) imposes. We found no evidence that any corporation or labor organization exceeded this limit.

### Cash Reconciliation

1. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2018 reconciliation for the bank account used for receipts and disbursements restricted pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.1012(A). We found no computational errors.
2. We agreed the bank balance on the reconciliation to the bank statement balance as of December 31, 2018. The balances agreed.

**Cash Reconciliation - (Continued)**

3. There were no reconciling items on the December 31, 2018 cash reconciliation.

**Cash Disbursements**

There were no cash disbursements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the *American Institute of Certified Public Accountants attestation standards and applicable attestation standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on compliance requirements listed in Ohio Rev. Code Sections 3517.1012, 3517.13 (X)(1), 2(b), (3)(a), and (4), 3517.17 and 3517.18 for certain receipts, expenditures and restricted funds for the year ended December 31, 2018. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that we would have reported to you.

This report is to provide assistance in evaluation of the Committee's compliance with certain requirements included in Ohio Rev. Code Sections 3517.1012, 3517.13 (X)(1), 2(b), (3)(a), and (4), 3517.17 and 3517.18 for the year ended December 31, 2018. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Julian & Grube, Inc.  
February 19, 2019

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**MERCER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY**

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### **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  
MARCH 26, 2019**