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REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY HIGHLAND COUNTY

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001





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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Republican Party Executive Committee Highland County 109 Woodland Drive Hillsboro, Ohio 45133

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Republican Executive 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, 2001. 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 Political Party Fund Finance Report. We found no exceptions.

Cash Reconciliation

- 1. We compared the sum of the cash balances recorded on the Committee's Political Party Public Funds Report with the cash balances reconciled by the treasurer for the Republican Executive Committee as of December 31, 2001. The sums agreed.
- 2. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the reconciliation. We found no computational errors.
- 3. We found that the Executive Committee does not have a bank account for the Political Party Public Funds received from the State of Ohio. When State checks are received, the treasurer endorses the checks and signs them over to the Ohio Republican Party.

Cash Disbursements

- 1. We footed the cash disbursement listing, Expenditures from Political Party Fund Monies, and compared the listing totals to the disbursement totals on the political party fund finance report. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We traced disbursement payees and amounts to source documentation such as invoices and canceled checks. We also compared the payees on the checks to the names on the invoices. The payees and amounts recorded in the cash disbursement journal, Expenditures from Political Party Fund Monies, agreed to the payees and amounts on the canceled checks.
- 3. We compared the signature on the check to the list dated December 31, 2001, of authorized signatories the Committee provided to us. We compared the endorsement to the payee listed on the check. The signatory on all checks we selected was an approved signatory.

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4. We compared the purpose for the disbursement with the allowable uses described in Section 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code. We found no exceptions

Payroll Disbursements

We compared all personnel positions paid with Ohio Political Party Funds with those allowable under Section 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code. We found there were no personnel paid with Ohio Political Party Fund monies.

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 political party fund 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.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

February 13, 2002

REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY HIGHLAND COUNTY

POLITICAL PARTY PUBLIC FUNDS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001 (UNAUDITED)

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001		\$ <u> </u>
Receipts:		
State Distribution	246	
Total Receipts		<u>246</u>
Disbursements:		
Ohio Republican Party	246	
Total Disbursements		246
Ending Balance, December 31, 2001		\$ <u> </u>

See Report of Independent Accountants on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures.



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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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED MARCH 19, 2002