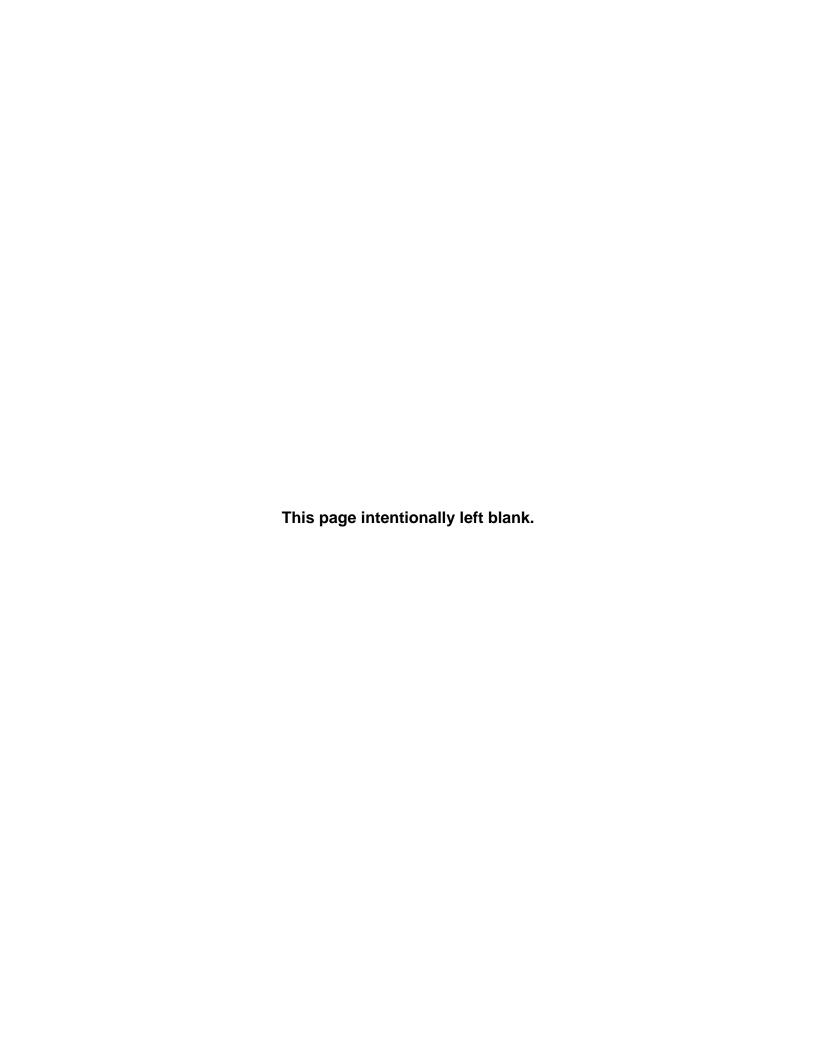




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Secretary of State of Ohio Republican Party Executive Committee Perry County 1380 Township Road 445 NE Glenford, Ohio 43739

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, to which the Republican Party Executive Committee, Perry County, Ohio (the Committee), agreed, solely to assist the Committee in evaluating its 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, 2010. The Committee is responsible for complying with these requirements. We followed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards for agreed-upon procedures engagements and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the 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 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 Tax Commissioner. Management informed us they received no such gifts.
- 2. We footed each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.17 requires (Deposit Form 31-CC), filed for 2010. We noted no computational errors.
- We compared bank deposits reflected in 2010 restricted fund bank statements to total deposits recorded in Deposit Form 31-CC filed for 2010. The bank deposit amounts agreed to the deposits recorded in the Form.
- 4. We scanned the Committee's 2010 bank statements and noted they reflected three payments received from the State Tax Commissioner. The Deposit Forms 31-CC reported the sum of these three payments without exception. Although four quarterly payments should be received from the State Tax Commissioner pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code 3517.17(A), our review of the state's distribution transaction list noted that only three payments were made to the Committee during 2010. There were no other receipts reported in 2010.

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Cash Reconciliation

- 1. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2010 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, 2010. The balances agreed.

Cash Disbursements

- 1. We footed each *Statement of Expenditures* Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.17 requires (Disbursement Form 31-B), filed for 2010. We noted no computational errors.
- 2. Per Ohio Rev. Code 3517.13(X)(1), we scanned Disbursement Form 31-B filed for 2010 and inquired of management whether they transferred any cash from the restricted fund to any other political party account into which contributions may be made or from which contributions or expenditures may be made. We found no evidence of prohibited transfers.
- 3. We compared the amounts on checks or other disbursements reflected in 2010 restricted fund bank statements to disbursement amounts reported on Disbursement Form 31-B filed for 2010. We found no discrepancies.
- 4. There were two disbursements reported on the Disbursement Form 31-B filed for 2010. We traced the disbursement amounts to the amounts that cleared the Committee's bank account and found no discrepancies. We traced the payee and amount to the payee invoice for the disbursement dated February 22, 2010. An invoice was not provided for the disbursement dated March 11, 2010. We traced the payee to the name on the canceled check image for the disbursement dated March 11, 2010. A canceled check or image was not provided for the disbursement dated February 22, 2010. The Committee should maintain supporting documentation, including vendor invoices and canceled checks, for all cash disbursements.
- 5. We scanned the payee for each 2010 disbursement for evidence that it might represent a contribution or campaign-related disbursement, both of which Ohio Rev. Code 3517.13(X)(2)(b) prohibit. We found no evidence that any restricted fund disbursements represented contributions or campaign-related disbursements.
- We compared the signature on the March 11, 2010 canceled check image to the list of authorized signatories the Committee provided to us. The signatory was an approved signatory. A canceled check or image was not provided for the check dated February 22, 2010.
- 7. We scanned each 2010 restricted fund disbursement recorded on Form 31-B for evidence that it represented a transfer from the restricted fund to any other state or county political party, which Ohio Rev. Code 3517(X)(4) prohibits. We found no evidence of any transfers.
- 8. We compared the purpose of each disbursement listed on the 2010 Disbursement Form 31-B and/or listed on the vendor invoice and to the purposes Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.18 permits. We found no instances where the purpose described on the Disbursement Form 31-B or invoice violated the restrictions of Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.18.

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We were not engaged to, and did not examine each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* and *Statement of Expenditures* filed for 2010, the objective of which would have been to opine on compliance. Accordingly, we do not express 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 Secretary of State of Ohio and for the Republican Party Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

March 22, 2011



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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 APRIL 14, 2011