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

Secretary of State of Ohio  
Republican Executive Committee  
323 North Market Street  
PO Box 336  
West Union, Ohio 45693

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, to which the Republican Executive Committee, Adams 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, 2012. 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

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 Tax Commissioner. Management informed us they received no such gifts.
2. We scanned the Committee's 2012 bank statements and noted they did not reflect any receipts, including the four quarterly payments received from the State Tax Commissioner pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code 3517.17(A). No Deposit Form 31-CC was filed. We recommend that the party determine the reason they did not receive their four quarterly payments from the State Tax Commissioner.

### Cash Reconciliation

1. We did not re-compute the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2012 reconciliation for the Committee's bank account, because no bank reconciliations were performed. We however, scanned the Committee's bank statements for 2012 and noted no reconciling items at December 31, 2012. We recommend the Committee reconcile their bank account at year end.

### Cash Disbursements

1. We footed each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Disbursements* Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.17 requires (Disbursement Form 31-M), filed for 2012. We noted no computational errors.

2. Per Ohio Rev. Code 3517.13(X)(1), we scanned Disbursement Form 31-M filed for 2012 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 2012 restricted fund bank statements to disbursement amounts reported on Disbursement Forms 31-M filed for 2012. We found that the 31M included the bank fee for January 2013 in the amount of \$5.
4. For each disbursement on Disbursement Forms 31-M filed for 2012, we traced the payee and amount to the bank statement as the disbursement was a bank fee. The payees and amounts recorded on Disbursement Forms 31-M agreed to the payees and amounts on the bank statement.
5. We scanned the payee for each 2012 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.
6. We scanned each 2012 restricted fund disbursement recorded on Form 31-M 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.
7. We compared the purpose of each disbursement listed on 2012 Disbursement Forms 31-M to the purpose 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 invoice violated the restrictions of Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.18.

We were not engaged to, and did not examine each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* and *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Disbursements* filed for 2012, 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 Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.



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Auditor of State

April 11, 2013



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**ADAMS COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY**

**ADAMS 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  
MAY 21, 2013**