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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Secretary of State of Ohio
Democratic Executive Committee
Sandusky County
6455 CR 247
Vickery, Ohio 43464-5222

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, to which the Democratic Executive Committee, Sandusky 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. They informed us they did not use this fund for a gift from a labor organization. We recommend the Committee deposit all gifts from labor organizations into the same fund which they deposit amounts received from the State Tax Commissioner.
2. We footed each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.17 requires (Deposit Form 31-CC), filed for 2012. We noted no computational errors.
3. We compared bank deposits reflected in 2012 restricted fund bank statements to total deposits recorded in Deposit Forms 31-CC filed for 2012. The bank deposit amounts agreed to the deposits recorded in the Form.
4. We scanned the Committee's 2012 bank statements and noted they reflected four quarterly payments received from the State Tax Commissioner pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code 3517.17(A). The Deposit Forms 31-CC reported the sum of these four payments without exception.
5. We scanned other recorded 2012 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.

6. Ohio Rev. Code 3517.1012 requires the Party to file Forms 31-CC electronically with the Secretary of State when the Committee receives gifts from corporations or labor organizations. We noted Forms 31-CC for 2012 were not available on the Secretary of State's website. We recommend the Committee electronically file the required reports in years gifts are received.

Cash Reconciliation

1. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2012 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, 2012. The balances agreed.

Cash Disbursements

1. The Committee did not have any disbursements for the year ended December 31, 2012.
2. Ohio Rev. Code 3517.1012 requires the Party to file Forms 31-M electronically with the Secretary of State when the Committee receives gifts from corporations or labor organizations. We noted Forms 31-M for 2012 were not available on the Secretary of State's website. We recommend the Committee electronically file the required reports in years gifts are received.

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 Democratic Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.



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March 26, 2013



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SANDUSKY 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 11, 2013**