



Final Audit Report of the Commission on the Oregon Republican Party

January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2008

Why the Audit Was Done

Federal law permits the Commission to conduct audits and field investigations of any political committee that is required to file reports under the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act). The Commission generally conducts such audits when a committee appears not to have met the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the Act.¹ The audit determines whether the committee complied with the limitations, prohibitions and disclosure requirements of the Act.

About the Committee (p. 2)

The Oregon Republican Party is a state party committee headquartered in Portland, Oregon. For more information, see chart on the Committee Organization, p.2.

Financial Activity (p. 2)

• Receipts	
○ Contributions from Individuals	\$ 530,612
○ Contributions from Political Committees	79,509
○ Transfers from Nonfederal Funds	304,020
○ Transfers from Affiliated Committees	1,281,633
○ Loans Received	40,000
○ Offsets to Operating Expenditures	24,519
○ Other Federal Receipts	240
○ Total Receipts	\$ 2,260,533
• Disbursements	
○ Operating Expenditures	\$ 817,510
○ Transfers to Affiliated Committees	59,816
○ Federal Election Activity	1,437,278
○ Other Disbursements	7,410
○ Total Disbursements	\$ 2,322,014
• Levin Receipts	\$46,637
• Levin Disbursements	\$47,303

Commission Finding (p. 4)

Based upon the examination of the disclosure reports filed, the bank statements provided, and the records presented by the Oregon Republican Party, the Commission found no significant non-compliance.

¹ 2 U.S.C. §438(b).

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Part I

Background

Authority for Audit

This report is based on an audit of the Oregon Republican Party (ORP), undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission (the Commission) in accordance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the Act). The Audit Division conducted the audit pursuant to 2 U.S.C. §438(b), which permits the Commission to conduct audits and field investigations of any political committee that is required to file a report under 2 U.S.C. §434. Prior to conducting any audit under this subsection, the Commission must perform an internal review of reports filed by selected committees to determine if the reports filed by a particular committee meet the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the Act. 2 U.S.C. §438(b).

Scope of Audit

Following Commission approved procedures, the Audit staff evaluated various factors and as a result, this audit examined:

1. The disclosure of individual contributors' occupation and name of employer.
2. The receipt of loans.
3. The disclosure of disbursements, debts and obligations.
4. The disclosure of expenses allocated between federal, non-federal, and Levin accounts.
5. The consistency between reported figures and bank records.
6. The completeness of records.
7. Other committee operations necessary to the review.

Part II

Overview of Committee

Committee Organization

Important Dates	Oregon Republican Party
• Date of Registration	March 26, 1982
• Audit Coverage	January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2008
Headquarters	Portland, OR
Bank Information	
• Bank Depositories	1
• Bank Accounts	5
Treasurer	
• Treasurer When Audit Was Conducted	Dennis Morgan
• Treasurer During Period Covered by Audit	Charles S. Oakes
Management Information	
• Attended FEC Campaign Finance Seminar	Yes
• Used Commonly Available Campaign Management Software Package	Yes
• Who Handled Accounting and Recordkeeping Tasks	Paid Staff

Overview of Financial Activity (Audited Amounts)

Cash on hand @ January 1, 2007	\$ 62,887
o Contributions from Individuals	530,612
o Contributions from Political Committees	79,509
o Transfers from Nonfederal Funds	304,020
o Transfers from Affiliated Committees	1,281,633
o Loans Received	40,000
o Offsets to Operating Expenditures	24,519
o Other Federal Receipts	240
Total Receipts	\$ 2,260,533
o Operating Expenditures	817,510
o Transfers to Affiliated Committees	59,816
o Federal Election Activity	1,437,278
o Other Disbursements	7,410
Total Disbursements	\$ 2,322,014
Cash on hand @ December 31, 2008	\$ 1,406
Levin Cash on hand @ January 1, 2007	\$733
Total Levin Receipts	\$46,637
Total Levin Disbursements	\$47,303
Levin Cash on hand @ December 31, 2008	\$67

Part III

Commission Finding

ORP hired a compliance firm to amend the disclosure reports for activity in 2007 through 2008 in an effort to correct the public record. Based upon the examination of the amended disclosure reports filed, the bank statements provided, and the records presented by the Oregon Republican Party, the Commission found no significant non-compliance.