



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 19, 1982

Honorable James H. Collins
2419 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: MUR 1455

Dear Congressman Collins:

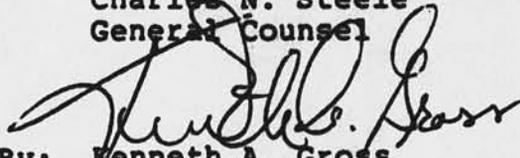
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Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel


By: Kenneth A. Gross
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Enclosure
First General Counsel's Report

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO THE COMMISSION _____

MUR # 1455
DATE COMPLAINT RECEIVED
BY OGC 7/22/82
DATE OF NOTIFICATION TO
RESPONDENT 7/23/82
STAFF MEMBER Tarrant/Thomas

COMPLAINANT'S NAME: Congressman James M. Collins

RESPONDENT'S NAME: Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee

RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(d), 441a(h)
11 C.F.R. § 110.7(a)(4)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED: Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee
Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED: None

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS

Complainant alleges that the Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee (the Committee) reported an in-kind contribution of \$79,850 from the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (Senatorial Committee) on its July 15, 1982 Quarterly Report, receipt of which would be a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441a.

FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

Pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 441a(h), the Senatorial Committee is permitted to contribute no more than \$17,500 to a candidate running for election to the U.S. Senate. However, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 441a(d), the national committee of a political party

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Consistent with 11 C.F.R. § 110.7(a)(4) which permits the national committee of a political party to make expenditures with respect to the Presidential campaign through any designated agent, including state and subordinate party committees, the Supreme Court upheld the FEC's determination to allow the senatorial committees of the national party committees to act as agents of the national and/or state party committees in making expenditures on their behalf involving senatorial campaigns. See Federal Election Commission v. Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, _____ U.S. _____, 102 S. Ct. 38 (1981).

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RECOMMENDATION

1. Find no reason to believe that the Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

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2. Close the file.
3. Approve attached letters.

Date

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

By: _____
Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

Attachments

1. Response from Bentsen Committee
2. Proposed letters (2)

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Robert F. Bauer
Suite 1200
1110 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: MUR 1455
Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee

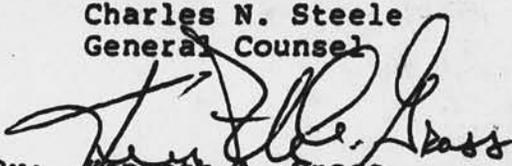
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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election)
Committee)

MUR 1455

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on August 19, 1982, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in MUR 1455:

1. Find no reason to believe that the Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.
2. Close the file.
3. Approve the letters as attached to the August 16, 1982 First General Counsel's Report.

Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, Harris, McDonald, McGarry and Reiche voted affirmatively in this matter.

Attest:

8-19-82

Date

Marjorie W. Emmons

Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary of the Commission

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Washington, D.C. 20463

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FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

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DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO THE COMMISSION 8-16-82

NR # 1455
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BY OGC 7/22/82
DATE OF NOTIFICATION TO
RESPONDENT 7/23/82
STAFF MEMBER Tarrant/Thomas

SENSITIVE

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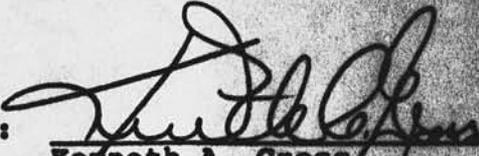
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3. Approve attached letters.

Aug 16, 1982
Date

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

By: 
Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

Attachments

1. Response from Bentsen Committee
2. Proposed letters (2)

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August 9, 1982

Mr. Charles N. Steele
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20463

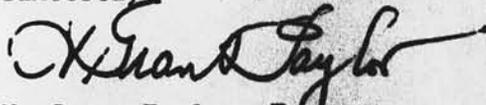
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This expenditure was listed on line 11(b) as a contribution-in-kind made by the Senatorial Campaign Committee and off-set by an expenditure listing included in the line 17 total of our July 15th quarterly report.

Sincerely,



H. Grant Taylor, Treasurer
SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN ELECTION COMMITTEE

Enclosures

cc: Secretary of the Senate

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1. Name of Committee (in Full)
SENATOR LLOYD BENISEN ELECTION COMMITTEE

2. FEC Registration Number
C0022768

Address (Number and Street)
P. O. Box 61202

3. Is this Report an Amendment?
 YES NO

City, State and ZIP Code
Houston, Texas 77208

Check if address is different than previously reported.

TYPE OF REPORT

- April 15 Quarterly Report
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- January 31 Year End Report
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This report contains activity for -- Primary Election General Election Special Election Runoff Election

SUMMARY

5. Covering Period 4/12/82 Through 6/30/82

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- (a) Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11e)
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- (c) Net Contributions (other than loans) (Subtract Line 6b from 6a)

7. Net Operating Expenditures:

- (a) Total Operating Expenditures (from Line 17)
- (b) Total Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 14)
- (c) Net Operating Expenditures (Subtract Line 7b from 7a)

8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (from Line 27)

9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)

10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)

	Column A This Period	Column B Calendar Year-to-Date
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(b) Total Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 14)	\$ 1,051.44	\$ 1,051.44
(c) Net Operating Expenditures (Subtract Line 7b from 7a)	\$ 367,467.31	\$1,009,651.04
8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (from Line 27)	\$2,127,609.60	
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	\$ -0-	
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I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

For further information, contact:

Federal Election Commission
Toll Free 800-424-9530
Local 202-523-4068

H. GRANT TAYLOR, Treasurer

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

H. Grant Taylor
SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

7/15/82
Date

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Name of Committee (in Full)
SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN ELECTION COMMITTEE

Report Covering the Period:
From: **4/12/82** To: **6/30/82**

	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
I. RECEIPTS		
11. CONTRIBUTIONS (other than loans) FROM:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees	327,010.01	790,981.27
(Memo Entry Unitemized \$ <u>64,944.85</u>)		
(b) Political Party Committees		17,500.00
(c) Other Political Committees	163,225.00	216,675.25
(d) The Candidate	-0-	-0-
(e) TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (other than loans) (add 11a, 11b, 11c and 11d)	490,235.01	1,025,156.52
12. TRANSFERS FROM OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES	-0-	-0-
13. LOANS:		
(a) Made or Guaranteed by the Candidate	-0-	-0-
(b) All Other Loans	-0-	-0-
(c) TOTAL LOANS (add 13a and 13b)	-0-	-0-
14. OFFSETS TO OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Refunds, Rebates, etc.)	1,051.44	1,051.44
15. OTHER RECEIPTS (Dividends, Interest, etc.)	119,625.16	203,883.49
16. TOTAL RECEIPTS (Add 11e, 12, 13c, 14 and 15)	610,911.61	1,230,091.45
II. DISBURSEMENTS		
17. OPERATING EXPENDITURES	368,518.75	1,010,702.48
18. TRANSFERS TO OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES	-0-	-0-
19. LOAN REPAYMENTS:		
(a) Of Loans Made or Guaranteed by the Candidate	-0-	-0-
(b) Of All Other Loans	-0-	-0-
(c) TOTAL LOAN REPAYMENTS (add 19a and 19b)	-0-	-0-
20. REFUNDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees	104.00	2,804.00
(b) Political Party Committees	-0-	-0-
(c) Other Political Committees	-0-	-0-
(d) TOTAL CONTRIBUTION REFUNDS (add 20a, 20b and 20c)	104.00	2,804.00
21. OTHER DISBURSEMENTS	-0-	-0-
22. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (Add 17, 18, 19c, 20d and 21)	368,622.75	1,013,506.48

III. CASH SUMMARY

23. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	\$ 1,885,320.74
24. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 16)	\$ 610,911.61
25. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 23 and Line 24)	\$ 2,496,232.35
26. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22)	\$ 368,622.75
27. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 26 from 25)	\$ 2,127,609.60

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20453

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August 9, 1982

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(Summary Page)

1. Name of Committee (in Full) SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN ELECTION COMMITTEE	2. FEC Identification Number C00029769
Address (Number and Street) P. O. Box 61202	3. Is this Report an Amendment? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
City, State and ZIP Code Houston, Texas 77208	<input type="checkbox"/> Check if address is different than previously reported.

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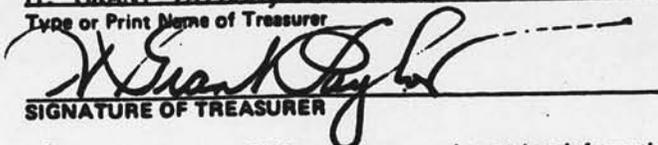
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From: 4/12/82

To: 6/30/82

COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

I. RECEIPTS

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327,010.01

790,981.27

(Memo Entry Unitemized \$ 64,944.85)

(b) Political Party Committees

163,225.00

17,500.00

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(d) The Candidate

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(e) TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (other than loans) (add 11a, 11b, 11c and 11d)

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1,025,156.52

12. TRANSFERS FROM OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES

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13. LOANS:

(a) Made or Guaranteed by the Candidate

-0-

-0-

(b) All Other Loans

-0-

-0-

(c) TOTAL LOANS (add 13a and 13b)

-0-

-0-

14. OFFSETS TO OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Refunds, Rebates, etc.)

1,051.44

1,051.44

15. OTHER RECEIPTS (Dividends, Interest, etc.)

119,625.16

203,883.49

16. TOTAL RECEIPTS (Add 11a, 12, 13c, 14 and 15)

610,911.61

1,230,091.45

II. DISBURSEMENTS

17. OPERATING EXPENDITURES

368,518.75

1,010,702.48

18. TRANSFERS TO OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES

-0-

-0-

19. LOAN REPAYMENTS:

(a) Of Loans Made or Guaranteed by the Candidate

-0-

-0-

(b) Of All Other Loans

-0-

-0-

(c) TOTAL LOAN REPAYMENTS (add 19a and 19b)

-0-

-0-

20. REFUNDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees

104.00

2,804.00

(b) Political Party Committees

-0-

-0-

(c) Other Political Committees

-0-

-0-

(d) TOTAL CONTRIBUTION REFUNDS (add 20a, 20b and 20c)

104.00

2,804.00

21. OTHER DISBURSEMENTS

-0-

-0-

22. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (Add 17, 18, 19c, 20d and 21)

368,622.75

1,013,506.48

III. CASH SUMMARY

23. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD

\$ 1,885,320.74

24. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 16)

\$ 610,911.61

25. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 23 and Line 24)

\$ 2,496,232.35

26. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22)

\$ 368,622.75

27. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 26 from 25)

\$ 2,127,609.60

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Senator Lloyd Bentsen

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P.O. Box 502
Austin, Texas
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Mr. Charles N. Steele
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

MUR # 1455
DATE 7-22-82

PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL RESPONDENTS WHICH ARE TO BE SENT A COPY OF THE COMPLAINT. IF A PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE IS A RESPONDENT, A CARBON COPY IS TO BE SENT TO THE CANDIDATE. PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CANDIDATE AND PUT A "CC" BESIDE THE CANDIDATE'S NAME. IF A CANDIDATE IS A RESPONDENT, A CARBON COPY IS TO BE SENT TO THE CANDIDATE'S PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE. PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE AND PUT A "CC" BESIDE THE COMMITTEE'S NAME. PLEASE PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION, ON THIS SHEET, WITHIN 24 HOURS OF RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE. THANK YOU.

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Senator Lloyd Bentsen
240 Russell Senate Office Building CC
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Lloyd Bentsen Election Committee
H. Grant Taylor, Treasurer
P.O. Box 61202
Houston, Texas 77208



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 23, 1982

**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. H. Grant Taylor, Treasurer
Senator Lloyd Bensten Election
Committee
P.O. Box 61202
Houston, TX 77208

Re: MUR 1455

Dear Mr. Taylor:

This letter is to notify you that on July 22, 1982 the Federal Election Commission received a complaint which alleges that you may have violated certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act") or Chapters 95 and 96 of Title 26, U.S. Code. A copy of this complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 1455. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

Under the Act, you have the opportunity to demonstrate, in writing, that no action should be taken against you in connection with this matter. Your response must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statement should be submitted under oath.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and § 437g(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

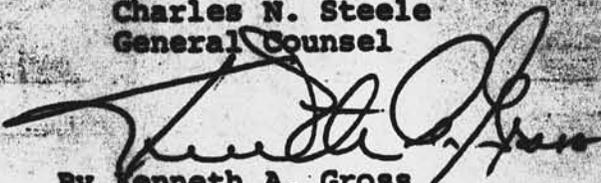
If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by sending a letter of representation stating the name, address and telephone number of such counsel, and a statement authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission.

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If you have any questions, please contact Marybeth Tarrant, the staff member assigned to this matter at (202)-523-4529. For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedure for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel



By Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

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Enclosures

- 1. Complaint
- 2. Procedures
- 3. Designation of Counsel Statement

cc: Senator Lloyd Bensten

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2. ARTICLE ADDRESS TO:

H. Grant Taylor
Don L. Bensten Electric Co
Houston, TX 77008

3. TYPE OF ARTICLE:

Registered Insured Signature Required Other

4. I have received the article described above.

SIGNATURE:  Addressee Authorized agent

5. DATE OF DELIVERY: JUL 27 1982

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20541



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 22, 1982

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Honorable James M. Collins
2419 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Collins:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your complaint of July 20, 1982, against Senator Lloyd Bentsen which alleges violations of Federal Election Campaign laws. A staff member has been assigned to analyze your allegations. The respondent will be notified of this complaint within 5 days and a recommendation to the Federal Election Commission as to how this matter should be initially handled will be made 15 days after the respondents' notification.

You will be notified as soon as the Commission takes final action on your complaint. Should you have or receive any additional information in this matter, please forward it to this office. For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedure for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

Phyllis A. Kayson

Phyllis A. Kayson
Deputy Chief

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<p>1. The following services are requested (check one):</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Regular in person and door delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Ship to whom, date, and address of delivery. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RESTRICTED DELIVERY <small>(Restrict delivery to the addressee only. Return receipt fee is charged in addition to the return receipt fee.)</small>		<p>TOTAL \$</p>	
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July 20, 1982

Mr. Charles N. Steele
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Steele:

I would like to lodge an official complaint and call upon the Federal Election Commission to investigate what appears to be a violation of Federal Election law or FEC regulations contained in the FEC report filed by my opponent in the U.S. Senate race, Lloyd Bentsen, for the period ending June 30, 1982.

In that report, Bentsen listed receiving a "contribution" of \$79,850 from the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee. Under the Federal Election law, Title 2, section 441a, Senatorial candidates are restricted to receiving only \$17,500 in contributions from political committees.

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I request your urgent attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

James M. Collins
James Mitchell Collins, M.C.

Thomas J. Sanford
Thomas J. Sanford, Notary Public
Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515
My Commission Expires March 14, 1983

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 22 day of July, 1982

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July 20, 1982

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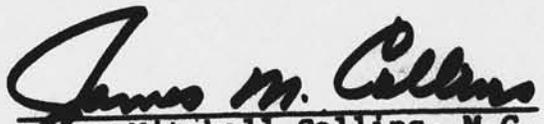
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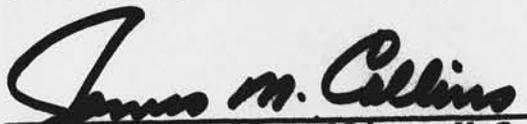
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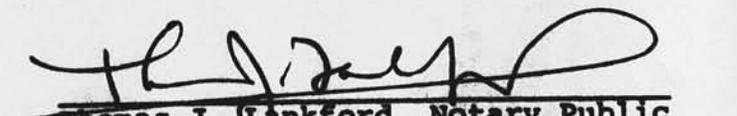
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