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FEC PUBLISHES PRESIDENTIAL NON-FILERS

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission today cited the campaign committees of three 1984 Presidential candidates for failing to file the required August monthly financial disclosure reports, covering activity for the month of July.

The following lists the name of each committee which failed to file:

Ben Fernandez for President Committee
Committee for A Positive Future for Barbara Marx Hubbard
Gerald Willis for U. S. President

The reports were to have been filed August 20, and would have detailed the financial activity for July, as well as summary figures for the campaign-to-date.

On August 27, each of the four committees was notified by mailgram that the FEC had not yet received their August monthly reports. The campaigns had four business days to respond from their receipt of those notices. Failure to file by close of business yesterday, September 4, resulted in this publication.

The election law requires all Presidential campaigns which have had financial activity in excess of \$100,000 to file monthly reports on the 20th of each month. Notification of the 1984 reporting requirements was sent to Presidential campaigns on January 25.

Further Commission action against non-filers will be decided on a case-by-case basis. The election law gives the Commission broad authority to initiate enforcement actions, including civil court enforcement and imposition of civil penalties (\$5,000 for "any violation" and \$10,000 for any "knowing and willful" violation) for infractions of the law, including failure to file required disclosure reports.

The next report due from Presidential campaigns is the September monthly report, due on September 20 and covering activity for August.