

# FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION



Press Office  
999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20463  
Phone: Local 376-3155 Toll Free 800-424-9530

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  
DECEMBER 3, 1990

CONTACT: FRED EILAND  
SHARON SNYDER  
SCOTT MOXLEY

## FEC RELEASES SIX INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on six matters it has had under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including the FEC's legal analysis of the MUR. Please see footnote at the end of this release. Summary files of the closed cases are available in the Public Records Office. They are as follows:

### MUR NO.

#### 1. 2345

**RESPONDENTS:** Republican State Committee of Delaware - 1984 Victory Committee, John Shopa, treasurer (DE)  
**COMPLAINANT:** FEC Initiated  
**SUBJECT:** Excessive contributions; excessive and unauthorized coordinated expenditures; inadequate reporting; use of non-federal account containing impermissible funds  
**DISPOSITION:** Conciliation agreement: \$9,000 civil penalty\*

#### 2. 2771

**RESPONDENTS:** (a) Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, G. Wayne Smith, treasurer (DC)  
(b) Committee On Letter Carriers Political Education, Florence Johnson, treasurer (DC)  
(c) John P. Vinich (WY)  
(d) John P. Vinich for U.S. Senate Committee, Mabel Vinich, treasurer (WY)  
(e) United Steelworkers of America Political Action Fund, Local Union 13214 (IL)  
**COMPLAINANT:** Jann L. Olsten, Executive Director, National Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee (DC)  
**SUBJECT:** Disclaimer; prohibited union contributions; excessive contributions  
**DISPOSITION:** (a) Conciliation agreement: \$1,000 civil penalty\*  
(b) Conciliation agreement: \$750 civil penalty\*  
(c) No reason to believe\*  
(d) Reason to believe but rejected General Counsel's recommendation and took no further action\*  
(e) Reason to believe but rejected General Counsel's recommendation and took no further action\*

-more-

3. 2936

RESPONDENTS: (a) Republican National Committee (DC)  
(b) Carroll County Republican Central Committee (Federal Account), Louis E. Wiser, Jr., treasurer (MD)  
(c) Gary W. Bauer (MD)  
(d) Helen Delich Bentley (MD)  
(e) Richard P. Taylor (MD)  
(f) James F. Keenan (SC)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Failure to forward contributions timely; failure to maintain contribution records; failure to disclose contributor identities; inaccurate and incomplete reporting

DISPOSITION: (a) Conciliation agreement: \$1,427 civil penalty\*  
(b) Reason to believe but took no further action\*  
(c) Conciliation agreement: \$1,000 civil penalty\*  
(d) Reason to believe but took no further action\*  
(e) Reason to believe but took no further action\*  
(f) Reason to believe but took no further action\*

4. 3073

RESPONDENTS: Voluntary Contributors for Better Government: A Program of Employees of International Paper, Arthur W. Brownell, treasurer (DC)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Failure to transfer contributions from corporate treasury account to PAC account in a timely fashion

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$3,500 civil penalty\*

5. 3084

RESPONDENTS: The Ray Ellison Industries, Inc. Political Action Committee, Walter E. Neilsen, treasurer (TX)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Excessive contributions

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$1,600 civil penalty\*

6. 3094

RESPONDENTS: William Lehman Campaign Fund Committee, Edward Mahler, treasurer (FL)

COMPLAINANT: Earl Rodney (FL)

SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports with the Florida Secretary of State.

DISPOSITION: No reason to believe\*

\*Following a complaint, the FEC may make a "reason to believe" finding which may trigger an investigation. Subsequently, the FEC may find "probable cause to believe" violation(s) occurred. An affirmative vote of at least four Commissioners is required for any action. At this stage the conciliation process could begin. If conciliation fails the FEC may institute a civil action for relief. The Commission may close a case at any point. For a complete explanation of the enforcement process - contact the FEC Press Office.

\*\*\*

20080204990