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## CAMPAIGN CITED BY FEC FOR FAILURE TO FILE PRE-RUNOFF REPORT

WASHINGTON -- Arkansas will hold a runoff election on June 9, 1992, to select the Democratic nominee for the general election race to the U.S. House of Representatives for the 4th Congressional District.

Provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act require committees supporting candidates involved in a runoff to file reports of their financial activity 12 days before the election.

As of 5 p.m., June 4, a disclosure report from the following committee had not been filed:

AR/04...McCUEN FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE...BILL MCCUEN, TREAS...DEM

The report was to include financial activity occurring from May 7 through May 20. If sent certified or registered mail, the report should have been postmarked by May 28. Otherwise, the due date was close-of-business May 28.

Some individuals and their committees have no obligation to file reports under federal election law, even though their names may appear on state ballots. If an individual raises or spends less than \$5,000, he is she is not considered a "candidate" and doesn't have to report.

The FEC notified the committees involved in the primary of their potential filing requirements on April 20. Those committees which did not file on the due date were notified on May 29, that reports had not been received and that their names would be published if they did not respond within four business days.

Other political committees supporting Senate and House candidates in elections (those which are not authorized units of a candidate's campaign) also are required to file pre-primary reports, unless they report monthly. Those committee names are not published by the FEC.

Further Commission action against non-filers and late filers is decided on a case-by-case basis. Federal law gives the FEC broad authority to initiate enforcement actions, including the imposition of civil penalties (\$5,000 for "any violation" and \$10,000 for any "knowing and willful" violation).

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