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LOUISIANA CAMPAIGN FAILS TO FILE PRE-PRIMARY DISCLOSURE REPORT

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission today cited a Louisiana congressional campaign with failure to file the required pre-primary financial disclosure report.

The following candidate committee failed to file a report:

RALPH HALL FOR CONGRESS...TOMMY CAIN, SR., TREAS...DEM...LA/04

The disclosure report was due September 21, 1992, and would have detailed financial activity from July 1 through September 13. If sent by certified or registered mail, the report should have been postmarked by midnight, September 18.

On September 22, the committee was notified by mailgram that the FEC had not received a 12-day pre-primary report. The campaign had four business days from the date of the mailgram to respond. Failure to file by close-of-business on September 29 resulted in this publication. Prior notification of the required filing was sent to the committees on August 28.

Further Commission action against non-filers and late filers is decided on a case-by-case basis. Federal election 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).

Th next regularly scheduled disclosure report for Louisiana congressional candidate committees will be a quarterly report due October 15, 1992.

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