

## REPORTS ANALYSIS REFERRAL

TO

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

DATE: April 10, 2006

ANALYST: Ryan J. Lanz

- I. COMMITTEE: Democratic Executive Committee of Florida  
(C00005561)  
Rudy Parker, Treasurer (4/14/05 – present)  
Earl Scales, Treasurer (7/05/01 – 4/13/05)  
214 South Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32302
- II. RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(8)  
11 C.F.R. §104.3(d)

## III. BACKGROUND:

**Failure to Provide Supporting Schedules (Failure to Disclose All Financial Activity)**

The Democratic Executive Committee of Florida (“the Committee”) filed an Amended 2005 July Monthly Report to disclose additional debts totaling \$106,699.28 on November 21, 2005 (Attachment 2).

On July 20, 2005, the Executive Committee of Florida (“the Committee”) filed the 2005 July Monthly Report covering the period of June 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005. This original report disclosed \$76,019.82 in debts on Line 10 (Debts and Obligations Owed By the Committee) of the Summary Page (Image 25980600261).

On November 14, 2005, the Committee filed an Amended 2005 July Monthly Report covering the period of June 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005. This amended report, disclosed \$76,279.09 in debts on Line 10 (Debts and Obligations Owed By the Committee) of the Summary Page (Image 25971460710).

On November 21, 2005 The Committee filed an Amended 2005 July Monthly Report covering the period of June 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005. This amended report disclosed a total of \$182,719.10 in debts on Line 10 (Debts and Obligations Owed By the Committee) of the Summary Page. (Image 25971545997) (Attachment 2)

On November 21, 2005, the Committee filed a miscellaneous electronic submission which stated, “While reviewing the documentation in preparation to respond to the Commission’s RFAI for the 2005 August and September Monthly reports, the Committee discovered that several debts owed by the Committee were omitted from the

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reports filed for June 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. These omissions were due to an administrative oversight which led to Committee's failure to include them in the software system used to prepare the reports. The Committee has performed a review of the records for disbursements made between June 1 and October 31, 2005 and has filed the following amendments: FEC-192558, FEC-192559, FEC-192560, FEC-192561, and FEC-192562. The Committee believes that these amendments accurately reflect the debts owed as of the end of each reporting period. The Committee will take appropriate steps to eliminate the oversight in future reports." (Image 25971546267)

On December 9, 2005, a Request for Additional Information ("RFAI") was sent to the Committee referencing the Amended 2005 July Monthly Report, received November 21, 2005. The RFAI asked for clarification regarding the \$106,699.28 in additional debts on Line 10 that were not disclosed on the Committee's original 2005 July Monthly Report (Image 25038933027).

On January 9, 2006, the Committee filed a miscellaneous electronic submission referencing the RFAI for the Amended 2005 July Monthly Report which stated, "During this time, FDP underwent a change in administration, which, in turn, instituted new procedures for all incoming invoices. Some of these invoices were not released to the compliance department at the time of the initial report, but were later presented to the compliance staff as valid expenses to be paid. This has since been revised to better accommodate reporting deadlines." (Image 26990034576)

On January 17, 2006 the Reports Analysis Division (RAD) analyst called the Committee regarding the Committee's possible referral to the Office of General Counsel. The Analyst advised Anne Morgan, Comptroller for the Committee, that the matter of increased debts disclosed on the Committee's Amended 2005 July Monthly Report was referable to the Office of General Counsel. Ms. Morgan understood the situation and advised that the Committee will no longer be using a particular consultant to file its reports. The RAD analyst asked Ms. Morgan to provide any further clarification regarding the matter within one week (Attachment 3).

To date, no further communication has been received from the Committee regarding this matter.

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