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July 23, 1986

CERTIFIED MAIL
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Mr. Michael Piper
208 Fourth Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

RE: MUR 2176

Dear Mr. Piper:

The Federal Election Commission has reviewed the allegations in your complaint received at the Commission on May 16, 1986.

Based on the available information, the Commission determined that there is no reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b), and that there is reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(f). After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action and close the file in this matter. Accordingly, the file in this matter will become part of the public record within 30 days.

Should additional information come to your attention which you believe establishes a violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, you may file another complaint pursuant to the requirements set forth in 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(1) and 11 C.F.R. § 111.4.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

BY: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 23, 1986

Mr. William K. Shearer
8158 Palm Street
Lemon Grove, California 92045

Re: MUR 2176
Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Shearer:

On May 23, 1986, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients of a complaint alleging violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

The Commission, on July 17 , 1986, determined that on the basis of the information available, there is no reason to believe your clients violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b) by filing a Statement of Organization. Also on that date, the Commission found reason to believe your clients violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(f) by improperly reporting a $30,000 receipt. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action and close its file.

The file in this matter will be made part of the public record within 30 days. Should you wish to submit any additional materials to appear on the public record, please do so within ten days.

The Commission reminds you that receipts your clients receive in the form of transfers from other political party committees must be reported as such on FEC financial disclosure reports. Your clients should take immediate steps to insure that their financial activity is properly reported in the future.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)	
	)	MUR 2176
Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer	)	

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on July 17, 1986, the Commission decided by a vote of 5-0 to take the following actions in MUR 2176:

1. Find no reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b).

2. Find reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(F), take no further action and close the file.

3. Approve and send the letters, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report signed July 10, 1986.

Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, Harris, Josefiak, and McGarry voted affirmatively for this decision; Commissioner McDonald did not cast a vote.

Attest:

7-17-86
Date

Marjorie W. Emmons
Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary of the Commission

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FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

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DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
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MUR: 2176
DATE COMPLAINT RECEIVED
BY OGC: May 16, 1986
DATE OF NOTIFICATION TO
RESPONDENT: MAY 23, 1986
STAFF MEMBER: ROBERT RAICH

COMPLAINANT'S NAME: Michael Piper

RESPONDENTS' NAMES: Populist Party of the United States
and Faye Miller, as treasurer

RELEVANT STATUTES: 2 U.S.C. §§ 433(b) and 434(b)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED:

Respondents' reports on file with the Commission

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED: None

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS

This is a matter generated by a complaint received at the Commission on May 16, 1986 and filed by Michael Piper (the "Complainant").

Based on the information available to the Commission, the Office of the General Counsel believes the complaint results from an ongoing dispute between two factions of the Populist Party. One faction is headquartered in Washington, D.C. and is run by the persons who controlled the party's finances until March, 1985. That faction is led by Willis Carto, one of the founders of the party, and has registered a political committee with the Commission under the name "Populist Party" ("PPDC"). The other

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faction has a treasurer located in Dauphin Island, Alabama, and is run by officers elected by the party's "national committee"1/ in March, 1985. This second faction registered a political committee with the Commission under the name "Populist Party of the United States" ("PPUS"). The Complainant is associated with the Washington faction. His complaint seems to be motivated by PPUS's refusal to recognize certain debts he alleges PPUS owes to a number of corporations. In its response, PPUS states that all of those corporations are controlled by Willis Carto.

The complaint alleges that by filing the Statement of Organization for PPUS, its treasurer submitted "false, erroneous and incomplete information." The complaint further alleges that in the reporting of a $30,000 transfer from PPDC and PPUS, PPUS's treasurer committed a "violation of federal laws relating to the accurate and complete reporting of the financial activities of political party committees."

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FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

The Statement of Organization of a political committee must include certain specified information. See 2 U.S.C. § 433(b). The Complainant contends that PPDC and PPUS are "one and the same." His position thus appears to be that it was illegal for PPUS to file its Statement of Organization. This Office notes, however,

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1/ The term "national committee" is a designation by the party itself. It does not reflect a Commission determination that any entity of the Populist Party qualifies as a national committee within the meaning of 2 U.S.C. § 431(14).

that the available information indicates both PPUS and PPDC are active political committees, and that each is controlled by a different group of persons. Accordingly, it was proper for PPUS to file its Statement of Organization. This Office recommends that the Commission find no reason to believe the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b).

Each report filed by a political committee must disclose certain specified information. See 2 U.S.C. § 434(b). Among the information which must be disclosed is the total amount of receipts in the form of contributions from other political committees. 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(D). Where a reporting committee is a political party committee, its reports must disclose the total amount of receipts in the form of transfers from other political party committees, regardless of whether such committees are affiliated. 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(F).

At the instance of the Populist Party executive committee, PPDC transferred $30,000 to PPUS in March, 1985. In its 1985 Mid-Year and 1985 Year-End Reports PPUS reported that receipt as contributions from "other political committees." This Office believes PPUS and PPDC are each political party committees of the same political party. Consequently, PPUS should have reported its $30,000 receipt from PPDC as "transfers from other political party committees." In other words, on its FEC Forms 3X, PPUS should have reported the $30,000 receipt on line 12 rather than line 11(c). Accordingly, this Office recommends that the Commission find reason to believe the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(F). Due

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to the nature of the violation and the fact that the $30,000 receipt was in fact reported, this Office recommends that the Commission take no further action and close the file.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Find no reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b).

2. Find reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(F), take no further action, and close the file.

3. Approve and send the attached letters.

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

7/10/81
Date

BY: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

Attachments
1. Response to complaint
   p. 1-17. Affidavit of Faye Miller
   p. 18-39. Exhibits to Miller's Affidavit
   p. 40-58. Affidavit of William K. Shearer
   p. 59-188. Exhibits to Shearer's affidavit
   p. 189-207. Affidavit of Faye Miller Re: alleged debt
   p. 208-311. Exhibits to Miller's debt affidavit
2. Letters (2)

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER)
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v.)
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POPULIST PARTY OF THE)
UNITED STATES, AND)
FAYE MILLER, TREASURER)
)

RE: MUR 2176

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AFFIDAVIT OF FAYE MILLER
IN RESPONSE TO COMPLAINT

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)s.s.
COUNTY OF MOBILE)

I, Faye Miller, being duly sworn state that:

1. I am the duly elected Treasurer of the Populist Party of the United States, having been elected to this office by the National Committee at its first annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985. By virtue of this office, I am a member of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and have served in this capacity continually since March 9, 1985.

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2. I am an accountant by profession, and have engaged in this profession continuously since 1951. I am admitted to represent clients in proceedings before the Internal Revenue Service.

3. I have reviewed the complaint filed with the Reports and Filing Division of the Federal Election Commission on May 2, 1986 by Michael Collins Piper, and this affidavit is made in response to said complaint.

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4. At page 1, paragraph 2 of Mr. Piper's letter, he alleges that I have "submitted false, erroneous and incomplete information" to the Federal Election Commission. The alleged "false, erroneous and incomplete information" is insufficiently identified in the paragraph to permit any response, except a general denial to Mr. Piper's unsubstantiated allegation. Said allegation is denied.

5. At page 1, paragraph 4 of his letter, Mr. Piper claims that he served as the "founding executive director of the national headquarters of the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States." I have reviewed the minutes of the various meetings of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, since its formation, and I am unable to find in any of the minutes a record of any action taken by the Populist Party, or anyone authorized by the Populist Party, appointing Mr. Piper to

the position he claims to have held. Either Mr. Piper was self appointed to this post without authorization, or the title was conferred upon him without authorization by his employer, Willis A. Carto. I am informed and believe that Mr. Carto, without authorization of the Executive Committee, either paid or caused to be paid to Mr. Piper money collected in the name of the Populist Party, and deposited in the account of the Populist Party, Inc., a separate corporation, dominated and controlled by Mr. Carto; and that a review of the account records of said corporation will reveal at least one such transaction.

6. At page 1, paragraph 6 of Mr. Piper's letter, he alleges that I, "and others in leadership positions in the party are taking measures designed to absolve the party of legitimate debts incurred by the party during its 1984 organizational efforts." This allegation is denied. Filed concurrently with this affidavit is a second affidavit which I have prepared in detail describing the record with regard to the alleged "debt" of the Populist Party, and the actions of the Executive Committee taken with regard to said alleged debt. Mr. Piper fails to disclose in his letter that he is an employee of one or more of the alleged creditor corporations, all of which are controlled by Willis A. Carto, and which claim that money is owed to them by the Populist Party.

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7. At page 1, paragraph 7 of his letter, Mr. Piper alleges that he has information " that the registration of the 'Populist Party of the United States' (F.E.C. #C00201343) was done by Mrs. Miller in order to avoid repayment of these debts." Mr. Piper provides no evidence to support his naked allegation, and the allegation is denied. I filed with the Federal Election Commission on behalf of the Populist Party because 2 U.S.C. Section 432 provides that:

> "Every political committee shall have a treasurer....No expenditure shall be made for or on behalf of a political committee without the authorization of the treasurer or his or her designated agent."

At the time that I became treasurer of the Populist Party, it had no bank account under its control, and its financial affairs were entirely in the hands of Willis A. Carto, and certain of his employees, contrary to my understanding of the requirements of the law. The Executive Committee had been unsuccessful in wresting from Mr. Carto an accounting of the funds raised in the name of the party, and control of the expenditure of said funds. Therefore, I established an official identity of the party with the Federal Election Commission. This was done with the support of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, in an effort to assure that the activities of the party would be conducted in

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accord with the requirements of the Federal Election Law. At no time has the Executive Committee attempted to avoid payment of any legitimate obligation of the Populist Party.

8. At page 2, paragraph 1 of Mr. Piper's letter, he describes the initial registration of the Populist Party by one Clara Sandahl, whom he describes as "its then - treasurer." This registration occurred on or about July 2, 1984, at a time prior to the election of officers by the duly constituted National Convention of the Populist Party. That convention was held on August 17-19, 1984 at which time my late husband, Emmett Miller, was elected treasurer of the Populist Party, a position which he held until his death on January 10, 1985. I am informed and believe that at no time after his election did Mr. Carto or any of his agents and employees, who continued to control the funds received in the name of the Populist Party, inform the Federal Election Commission that the party had an elected treasurer, and the Federal Election Commission was thus deceived into believing that Clara Sandahl continued to be the treasurer of the Populist Party until the date that I first made contact with the commission, filed a statement of organization on behalf of the party, and began to file required reports with the F.E.C. At no time after August 18, 1984, at which time Emmett MIller was elected treasurer of the Populist Party by its National Convention, did Clara Sandahl have any claim to be treasurer of

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the Populist Party. Mrs. Sandahl has never been elected to any office in the Populist Party by its National Convention, National Committee, or National Executive Committee. If she served as a treasurer in any capacity after August 18, 1984, it could only have been as treasurer of Mr. Carto's separate Virginia corporation, the Populist Party, Inc., of which I am informed and believe Mrs. Sandahl is still treasurer.

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9. With this affidavit, an affidavit is also being filed of William K. Shearer, who has continuously served by election as parliamentarian of the Populist Party since its organization at Nashville, Tennessee on August 17-19, 1984. Mr. Shearer's affidavit outlines the history of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, as well as that of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, the contacts of these organizations with the Federal Election Commission, and the efforts made by the Executive Committee of the Populist Party to bring the finances of the Populist Party under control of the elected treasurer, as required by law.

10. At page 2, paragraph 2 of his letter, Mr. Piper states that "during the 1984 period...the party...handled its financial transactions out of a bank account established at the National Capitol Bank. The account functioned as the only authorized account of the National Committee of the Populist Party of the

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United States until march of 1985 at which time Mrs. Miller, the newly elected national party treasurer, instituted a second account at the Am South Bank N.A. in Mobile, Alabama." The account to which Mr. Piper refers in his letter is apparently the corporate account of the Populist Party, Inc., not an account of the Populist Party of the United States. At no time have the National Convention, National Committee,or Executive Committee of the Populist Party knowingly authorized the deposit of funds collected in the name of the party in an account controlled by a separate corporate entity. Mr. Carto's actions in conducting the party's financial affairs through the account of a separate corporation was not known to the Executive Committee, was not authorized, and the corporate bank account in which he placed funds collected in the name of the party was never authorized in that form by any official body of the Populist Party. The account was certainly never authorized by any elected treasure of the Populist Party as would seem to be required by 2 U.S.C. Section 432 (a). Further, I am informed and believe that Mr. Carto and his employees have operated one or more additional accounts in which they have deposited funds raised in the name of the Populist Party.

11. In response to Mr. Piper's allegations at page 2, paragraph 3 of his letter, I attach hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporate by reference a copy of a letter which I addressed on June 9, 1986

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to Mr. Bill Baber, Reports Analyst, Reports Analysis Division, Federal Election Commission. This letter sets forth the position of the Populist Party with regard to the $30,000.00 transmitted to me, as treasurer of the Populist Party, by Willis A. Carto, for deposit in the party's official account which I opened after my election as treasurer. As the attached exhibit shows, the funds were solicited in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, but were inappropriately deposited by Mr. Carto in the account of his separate corporate entity, Populist Party, Inc. The money, having been raised in the name of the National Committee of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, should never have been deposited to a corporate account. When it was turned over to me and deposited in the account of the Populist Party, the money reached the destination intended by the contributors in accord with the representations made to them in the fund raising communication, a copy of which is attached hereto as part of Exhibit "A".

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12. In response to page 2, paragraph 6 of Mr. Piper's letter, I did not list the Populist Party, Inc., as a " connected organization or affiliated committee" because I did not understand it to be such an organization. No action by any official agency of the Populist Party ever established the Populist Party, Inc. as a "connected organization or affiliated committee". In fact, no such action could have been take prior

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to late March, 1985, since I am informed and believe that prior to that date no member of the Executive committee was informed that the financial affairs of the Populist Party were being transacted through the account of a separate corporate entity. I am further informed and believe that the Populist Party, Inc., and its treasurer Clara Sandahl, filed no report of any kind pertaining to its 1985 transactions with the Federal Election Commission. Mr. Carto, and his employees, insisted that I was responsible for filing the report of the transactions from their account. Even had I desired to do so, I was never provided adequate information to permit me to honestly attest to the transactions by Mr. Carto and his employees from the Washington bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. For instance, I have never received a list of the contributors whose contributions were placed in said account, nor have I ever received copies of the cancelled checks for the account, or complete supporting information for the payments made from the account. Under the circumstances, I was not in a position to report on the transactions from the account, I consider this reporting to be the duty of those who administered the account, and control its records. In this view I have been specifically supported by action of the Executive Committee, and the full National Committee of the Populist Party.

13. My response to Mr. Piper's letter at page 2, paragraph 7, is

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fully set forth in my letter of June 9, 1986 to Mr. Bill Baber, Reports Analyst, Federal Election Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to this affidavit.

14. At page 2, paragraph 8 of his letter, Mr. Piper contends that " the Populist Party as initially registered by the first treasurer, Clara Sandahl, and the Populist Party registered by Faye Miller are one and the same." Any authority Clara Sandahl had to function as "treasurer" of the Populist Party, ended on August 18, 1984 when the national convention elected Emmett Miller as treasurer. From that point forward, Mrs. Sandahl could only have served as the treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc., Mr. Carto's separate corporation. Had Mr. Carto, Mrs. Sandahl, and Mr. Carto's other employees intended that the two organizations be "one and the same", then it is my belief that they would have: (a) Notified the F.E.C. of the election of the treasurer by the National Convention of the Populist Party, and substituted the elected treasurer for Mrs. Sandahl on the F.E.C. reports; (b) Turned over to the elected treasurer the control of the bank account being operated in the name of the party, placed control of the party's financial transactions in the hands of the elected treasure, as required by law; and (c) Made a full accounting of the transactions from the Washington account to the elected treasurer and Executive Committee. In spite of repeated efforts, neither the treasurer nor the Executive Committee of the

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Populist Party have ever been able to secure complete financial recorders for the account operated by Mr. Carto and his employees nor, in spite of various demands, have we been able to secure agreement from Mr. Carto to an independent audit of said account.

15. Neither the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, nor I deny that James Tamburro performed certain services as an attorney in an attempt to qualify the Populist Party for the New Jersey ballot in 1984. A dispute arose over the extent of the services properly performed by Mr. Tamburro, and the sum due Mr. Tamburro for his services. Mr. Tamburro placed his claim before the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and threatened suit if his claim was not paid. The Executive Committee agreed to pay Mr. Tamburro a portion of the sum claimed because: (a) He had provided certain of the services for which he claimed payment; and (b) The Executive Committee was willing to compromise the dispute with Mr. Tamburro in order to avoid a law suit which would potentially have cost substantially more than settlement of Mr. Tamburro's claim. At all times in dealing with the financial affairs of the party, I and the Executive Committee have attempted to differentiate between legitimate claims and false claims, paying legitimate claims, and rejecting those which appear to be false or fraudulent.

16. In response to Mr. Piper's letter at page 3, paragraph 5, I

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point out that there is a difference between a claim made by a third party who has dealt with someone having ostensible authority to act for the Populist Party, and an obligation claimed to be due from entities controlled by the ostensible agent with which the agent has dealt, and in which he has purported to represent both the alleged debtors and creditor. The alleged "debts" which Mr. Piper refers to were certainly not arms length transactions, as is set forth in my second affidavit, filed concurrently with this one. The alleged debts and obligations of the Populist Party to which Mr. Piper refers are the debts claimed to be due from the Populist Party to Mr. Carto's corporations, Liberty Lobby, and the Cordite Fidelity Corporation. The documentary evidence pertaining to these alleged debts lends a strong inference that they are a mere post election concoction for fund raising purposes, and not a legitimate debt due and owing by the Populist Party.

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17. At no time have I ever "acknowledged and accepted the previous debts and obligations incurred by the Populist Party headquarters in Washington," as alleged by Mr. Piper in his letter at page 3, paragraph 9. The Executive Committee which was elected to serve from on or about August 18, 1984 through March 9, 1985 did acknowledge the alleged obligations, but only on the basis of incomplete and inaccurate information provided the Executive Committee by Mr. Carto and his employees. The

Executive Committee of the Populist Party which was elected to serve from March 10, 1985 through the National Committee meeting in March, 1989, has specifically rejected the obligations alleged to be due and owing by Mr. Carto, and Mr. Piper in the absence of a complete audit of the accounts administered by Mr. Carto and his employees. No such audit has ever been agreed to by Mr. Carto, or any of the entities which he controls.

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18. At page 3, paragraph 12 of his letter, Mr. Piper states that Clara Sandahl filed her statement of organization with the Federal Election Commission in the name of the National Committee of the Populist Party. Technically, the Populist Party did not have a National Committee until August 18, 1984, at which time the bylaws of the party were adopted as is shown by the affidavit of William K. Shearer which accompanies this affidavit, and the bylaws of the Populist Party, which are attached as an exhibit to the Shearer affidavit. The bylaws established the National Committee. The National Committee of the Populist Party, formed pursuant to the bylaws, held its first meeting on March 9-10, 1985 at Chicago, Illinois, as is reflected in the documents attached to the affidavit of Mr. Shearer. The officers of the party, elected by the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, on August 18, 1984, were authorized to function as the governing body of the party during the interim period between the National Convention and the first meeting of the National

Committee in March, 1985.

19. In response to Mr. Piper's letter at page 4, paragraph 2, Blayne Hutzel, controller of Mr. Carto's corporate entity, first attempted to retain control of all F.E.C. filings of the party in the hands of Mr. Carto and his employees in Washington. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B", and incorporated herein by reference, is a copy of a letter to me from Mr. Hutzel, asking me to regularly transmit to him all of the party's financial records. I refused to do so. Two months later, he changed his tune and took the position that I was supposed to report to the F.E.C. on the transactions of the Washington account of the Populist Party, Inc. Attached hereto as Exhibit "C", and incorporated herein by reference, is Mr. Hutzel's letter to this effect. Some two and a half months later, Mr. Hutzel transmitted to me, with a personal note, an "amended" Statement of Organization which he wanted me to file with the F.E.C. The note and form are attached hereto as Exhibit "D", and are incorporated herein by reference. I declined to file Mr. Hutzel's amended Statement of Organization because I was not provided sufficient information by Mr. Carto and his employees to assume responsibility for the acts performed by Mr. Carto and his employees through the bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. in Washington, D.C. I believed then, and believe now that Mr. Carto and his employees were attempting to cause the Populist Party, and me as its treasurer, to assume

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liability for their acts in soliciting funds in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, depositing these funds in the account of a separate corporation, and the payment of money for unexplained purposes from that separate account. I do not believe that I could ethically or responsibly have assumed for the Populist Party, or for myself, liability for transactions over which neither I nor the elected Executive Committee of the party had control, and as to which we had no full or complete records or explanation

20. I concur with Mr. Piper's statement at page 4, paragraph 3 of his letter, that: "There is one Populist Party of the United States." I further concur with his statement that I am the treasurer of the one and only Populist Party. I deny that the party is "heavily in debt", and further state in response that in addition to the one Populist Party, there is also a separate corporate entity, the Populist Party, Inc., which has solicited funds in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, and has deposited these funds in the corporate account, contrary to the representations of the solicitation mailings, and contrary to the intent of the contributors. I further assert that there are at least two additional corporations, Liberty Lobby and the Cordite Fidelity Corporation, controlled by Willis A. Carto, which have falsely alleged indebtedness to them by the Populist Party, and that this has

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been done for purposes of conducting continuing fund raising activities in the name of the Populist Party, while the funds received from said solicitations are to be diverted to the use of Mr. Carto's other corporate entities.

21. At page 4, paragraph 4 of Mr. Piper's letter, he refers to a letter addressed to the Federal Election Commission by Clara Sandahl. No response is possible to this letter, since a copy was not attached to the complaint as transmitted to me, and I am not aware of the contents of the undisclosed document.

22. At page 4, paragraph 7 of his letter, Mr Piper again fails to disclose that he is an employee of Willis A. Carto and/or the corporate entities controlled by Mr. Carto which allege that they are creditors of the Populist Party.

23. I submit that there is no merit to the complaint filled by Mr. Piper, and that said complaint should be dismissed by the Federal Election Commission.

Executed this 13th day of June 1986.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct; that affiant knows the foregoing facts to her own knowledge, except as to those matters which are set forth on

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information and belief, and as to those matters affiant believes them to be true; and that if called as a witness to testify to the facts contained herein, affiant is competent to do so.

Faye G. Miller

Faye Miller

1921 Summer Place Drive West

Mobile, AL 36618

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Subscribed and sworn to me, on June 13, 1986.

County of Mobile State of Alabama

Notary public in and for said county and state.

My Commission Expires 11-1-87

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C00201343

June 9, 1986

Mr. Bill Baber, Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Identification Number C00201343: Year End Report (7/1/85 - 12/31/85) and Mid-Year Report (3/10/85 - 6/30/85)

Dear Mr. Baber:

This letter will acknowledge your communication of April 30, 1986, making inquiry about money described in my report, at lines 11 (b) & (c), as "Partial reimbursement of funds collected by Populist Party, Inc." The actual amount subject to this description is $30,000.00 and appears in column B (Calendar Year To Date) at line 11 (c). This sum was received by me on or about March, 1985, and not during the reporting period from July 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985.

I have discussed your communication with the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and the Executive Committee respectfully declines to refund the $30,000.00 to the Populist Party, Inc., since the money was raised in the name of the Populist Party, not that of the corporation; the funds were received in a non-election year and used for administrative purposes, not in an election campaign; the funds should not have been deposited in the corporate account in the first place; and the Populist Party, Inc. does not appear to be a corporation from whom a contribution is prohibited under the terms of 2 U.S.C. Section 441b.

As you may be aware, the Populist Party is now, and has always been an unincorporated association. The Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, was organized, at the direction of Willis A. Carto by certain of his employees, in March of 1984, and a bank account was opened in the name of the corporation.

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The Populist Party, an unincorporated association did not elect officers until August, 1984, at the party's first national convention at Nashville, Tennessee. Meanwhile, on or about July, 1984, Mr. Carto's employees filed a statement of organization with the Federal Election Commission in the name of the Populist Party, received an identification number (C00186726), and listed as the party's treasurer one Clara Sandahl, the treasurer of Mr. Carto's Populist Party, Inc.

At the Nashville convention in August, 1984, the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, elected its first officers, including my late husband, Emmett Miller, as treasurer. Nevertheless, Mr. Carto and his employees:

(1) Provided to the elected treasurer no information with regard to the party's accounts;

(2) Continued to deposit contributions, all of which were solicited in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, in the corporate account, and to pay bills from the corporate account;

(3) Made no report to the F.E.C. that the party now had an elected treasurer who was properly responsible for the financial transactions of the Populist Party; and

(4) Concealed from the duly elected officers of the party that the financial affairs of the Populist Party were being transacted from the account of a separate corporate entity.

With this letter, you will find an affidavit by William K. Shearer, who has continuously served by election as an officer (parliamentarian) of the Populist Party since its organization at Nashville in August, 1984. His affidavit outlines the history of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, as well as that of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, the contacts of these organizations with the Federal Election Commission, and the efforts made by the Executive Committee of the Populist Party to bring the finances of the Populist Party under control of the elected treasurer, as required by law.

On or about November 24, 1984, the Populist Party had little operating money with which to conduct its ongoing activities. Mr. Carto proposed to do a fund raising mailing in behalf of the Populist Party, and was authorized to so proceed. The solicitation letter was disseminated on or about the end of January, 1985, over the signature of former Rep. John R. Rarick, an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee. A copy of the fund raising letter, and all matter which accompanied it are attached hereto as Exhibit A. You will note that all references to the Populist Party are to an unincorporated association. At no place does the word "Inc." appear in connection with the name

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Populist Party. Funds received from this mailing accounted for most of the approximately $173,000.00 which Mr. Carto received in the name of the Populist Party during the calendar year 1985. These funds were, to the best of my knowledge, deposited to the account of the Populist Party, Inc., Mr. Carto's Virginia non-stock corporation.

Unfortunately, during the January - February 1985 period, there was no elected treasurer of the Populist Party to attempt to assert authority over Mr. Carto's activities. My husband, Emmett Miller, who was elected treasurer at the August 1984 convention, was hospitalized shortly after the November 24, 1984 Executive Committee meeting in Washington, D.C., and died on January 10, 1985. From that time, until my election as treasurer at the first National Committee meeting of the party, on March 9, 1985, there was no elected treasurer.

At the executive committee meeting on March 10, 1985, which followed my election as treasurer, a demand was made on Mr. Carto that he turn over to the elected treasurer the funds which he had solicited in the name of the Populist Party. At this time, the members of the Executive Committee were still unaware that the funds had been deposited in the account of a separate corporate entity. Mr. Carto agreed to turn over to me, as treasurer of the Populist Party, the sum of $30,000.00, which he did, by check, on or about March 14, 1985. This is the $30,000.00 which appears on the report I filed with the F.E.C. and about which you have made inquiry.

The money was raised in the name of the National Committee of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association. It should never have been deposited to a corporate account, and when it was turned over to me and deposited in the account of the Populist Party, the money reached the destination intended by the contributors in accord with the representations made to them in the fund raising communication. It would be totally inappropriate to require the Populist Party to return the $30,000.00 to a corporate entity which had no right to the money in the first place, and which, under the kindest assumption, incorrectly deposited the money in a corporate account. Another possible assumption is that the money was deliberately solicited by Mr. Carto under false pretenses with the intent to divert contributions to the separate corporation.

As is set forth in the affidavit of William K. Shearer, which accompanies this letter, Mr. Carto's Populist Party, Inc. does not meet the definition of a "political party" or the definition of a "national committee" of a political party as contained in 2 U.S.C. section 431, subsections (m) and (k).

Further, the $30,000.00 was received, and expended by the Populist Party solely for administrative purposes during the

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calendar year 1985. None of the money was used in connection with an election, either Federal or State. The kind of contributions barred by 2 U.S.C. Section 441b (a) would seem to be a corporate "contribution or expenditure in connection with any election at which presidential and vice-presidential electors or a Senator or Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, Congress are to be voted for, or in connection with any primary election, or any political convention or caucus held to select candidates for any of the foregoing offices...."

Finally, 2 U.S.C. section 441b (b) (2) excludes from the term "contribution or expenditure" the "solicitation of contributions to a separate segregated fund to be utilized for political purposes by a ... corporation without capital stock." The Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia corporation, is a nonstock corporation.

Therefore, for the foregoing reasons, and each of them, the Populist Party will not refund any portion of the $30,000.00 to the Populist Party, Inc.

Trusting that this response will satisfy your inquiry, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Faye Miller
Treasurer

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If your Country has a future as an independent nation, that future is Populist . . .



From the desk of
JOHN R. RARICK

BUT, if America is to be submerged into an international swamp, with our precious, blood-bought Constitution canceled by a world economic-political government, the Republican Party and the Democratic Party will be GUILTY of that crime.

Both major parties strongly support internationalism. "America First" is now virtually a dirty name to leaders of the "two" parties.

Now I have been a Democrat all my political life. I served in the House of Representatives for eight years from the Sixth District of Louisiana and before that five years as an elected state judge.

As a Democrat I did all I could to work for Constitutional principles and for American sovereignty.

My record shows it. I am very proud of that record.

Unfortunately, I learned the hard way that as a member of either party you must either "play ball" with the powers that be . . . or else.

The Democrats took away my seniority in 1969, making me a "freshman" in the committees I served. They did this because I persisted in voting and acting according to my conscience instead of the party line.

I was punished for political heresy. For standing up for America.

WHY I AM NOT A REPUBLICAN

Do I hear you ask me, "Then why don't you join the Republican Party?" If that is your question, let me give you only two (out of many) very recent reasons why I'm not joining the Republicans.

Do you remember what Bob Dole--the Republican leader of the Senate and one of the most powerful Republicans in America--had to say right after the Republican Platform Committee brought in their report during the GOP convention in Dallas, last year?

If you watched television, you will recall that a large group of patriotic, mainstream Americans had worked long and hard to hammer out a platform. Since they pretty much represented the Republican grassroots, it was conservative, reflecting the party membership, not David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations or the Trilateral Commission.

Dole was asked by a liberal reporter how long it would take the Republican leadership to forget about the platform.

"About as long as it takes to pack our bags," he sneered.

If that doesn't make you see red, what will?

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It beats me how any self-respecting American can support the Republican Party after Dole's contemptuous comment.

Dole, remember, is one of the most powerful men in Washington. He is a vigorous proponent of higher taxes. For YOU. Even as thousands of farmers in his state--Kansas--are going bankrupt, thanks to the Republican free trade and high-interest banker-dictated policies he promotes, Dole demands higher taxes to pay for increased foreign aid and the interest on the so-called "national debt."

(As you know, the "national debt" has been created by bankers literally out of nothing. But you are forced to pay exorbitant interest on it out of your earnings. You should read Don Kimball's new book on this subject.)

Because the newspapers in Kansas are controlled by the banks and the liberals, the voters in that state aren't told the truth about Dole. They think he is "conservative"!

THE GREAT "CONSERVATIVE" FLIM-FLAM

The horrifying fact is that, under a "conservative" banker-controlled president, the Republican Party is dropping all pretense that it is nationalistic and in tune with the Republican mainstream. Just the other day, 35 "conservative" Republican congressmen signed an inflammatory letter to the ambassador from South Africa which could well have been written in Moscow. Joining the most liberal of the Democrats, like Rep. Steven Solarz and Sen. Teddy Kennedy, they threatened dire consequences unless that country immediately does away with apartheid.

One of the signers, Vin Weber, of Minnesota, later explained. Writing in the liberal Washington Post, he said: "WE MUST ESTABLISH THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AS AMERICA'S NEW INTERNATIONALIST PARTY."

Weber said that many Republicans might think this is "treason."

You can forget about the Republicans as you can forget about the Democrats. Both are totally controlled puppets of the internationalists.

I AM A POPULIST

Like so many thousands of former Republicans and Democrats who put their country ahead of their traditional party loyalty, I am now a proud member of the Populist Party.

It took the rebirth of the one and only party which has always stood for American principles to make me realize that I have been a populist all my life.

> I HAVE ALWAYS REVERED THE CONSTITUTION. I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AN AMERICAN FIRST. I HAVE ALWAYS OPPOSED COMMUNISM AND SOCIALISM. I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE SHOULD BE SERVED AHEAD OF THE BANKS AND THE MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND THE LISPING "INTELLECTUALS."

And I plan to devote all of the time and money I can spare from now on supporting and helping to build the Populist Party.

(Have you noticed many politicians suddenly calling themselves "populist" since our party has re-appeared? Don't let them fool you. Only one party stands for the Jeffersonian principles of populism.)

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A POLITICAL MIRACLE

Last year you and I witnessed one of the great political miracles of our time. Almost entirely unnoticed by the press, the Populist Party was reborn and, in a mere eight months, had become an organized and permanent presence on the American scene.

Starting its organizing in March, the party had its first convention since 1896 in September. It nominated candidates and--considering the limited time and funds at its disposal--did far better than any other "third" party, including some which have been active for many years and spent millions.

I'll include a reprint of an article which appeared in The SPOTLIGHT giving the incredible vote. This is an astounding performance. This is the most encouraging thing to happen in years.

Starting to organize in March, the party held its first national convention since 1896 in September and nominated two outstanding candidates for president and vice-president. By October party organizations were functioning in 49 states and the party was on the ballot in 14.

On election day the party received almost as many votes as other "third" parties which have been active for years, and which raised millions of dollars.

This is an astounding record for a fledgling party. I'll enclose reprints from The SPOTLIGHT which detail this historic achievement.

I don't know about you, but to me, this is the most encouraging thing to happen in years! All is NOT lost. We have built a solid foundation for a major new party. Now we must go forward and build that party. We need three things: ORGANIZATION, LEADERSHIP, and FUNDING.

ORGANIZATION

Although the future of the Populist Party is very bright, there are also immediate and pressing problems. There is no time to lose.

Enormous strides have been made setting up state committees and gaining ballot position. Now we must begin the task of organizing the party down to the local level. We have to set up party committees in every county, every precinct.

WE MUST BEGIN NOW. WE CANNOT WAIT. WE MUST PREPARE TO RUN CANDIDATES FOR LOCAL, STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES NEXT YEAR--1986. AND THERE WILL BE A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN 1988!

LEADERSHIP

Leadership is another pressing and urgent need. We need hard workers and leaders. We need candidates. We need fundraisers. We need to get more young people involved. So please get in touch with your chairman of the party in your state if you haven't already. GET ACTIVE WITH YOUR POPULIST PARTY!

FUNDING

This brings me to our greatest weakness, our lack of funds. Our potential is almost unlimited but our means available are pathetic. But this is natural. The strength of populism is also its weakness. Populism stands for the people but in politics today the money comes from the special interests. Obviously,

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David Rockefeller and his Big Buck Banking Cabal are not standing in the background with their checkbooks. Their money is for the Republicrats and the smaller parties which promote their interests, such as free trade and higher taxes. They will do all they can to frustrate us.

The money to support populism must come from the people it benefits, not the special interests.

That's why we need your help desperately if the Populist Party is to grow --if it is to survive. We must pay off the party debt (almost $200,000) and move forward.

In addition to paying off the debt we need at least a million dollars to finance our activities this year of 1986--this critical year when there is so much to be done!

The Populist Party offers Hope. It may be the last chance you and I have to save America--to painfully pull it back from the brink of the final plunge into the fetid swamp of national destruction. The internationalists --who are very near to dissolving our national independence and our Constitution in a capitalist/Marxist world economic union--must be stopped before it is too late!

AND IT IS NEARLY TOO LATE!

This is why I appeal to you to meet this challenge the only way it can be met--with a new party--the Populist Party.

PLEASE help in every way you can. Otherwise, George Orwell's "1984" will be delayed no longer.

Yours, for the Constitution

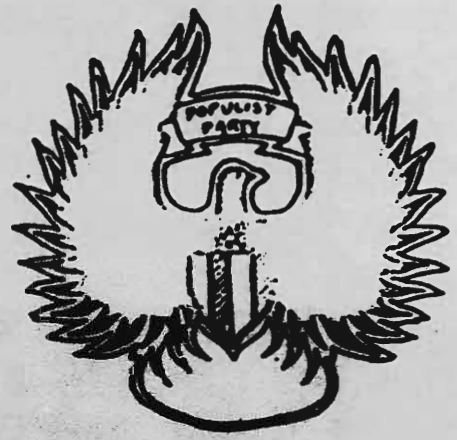
JOHN R. RARICK

P.S. I almost forgot. Don Kimball, our Central States Coordinator and secretary of our Executive Committee, has just written a truly great book, The Money and the Power. You must have this 160-page book; it is truly outstanding. I've never read any book which explains the historic money question so well, so clearly, so persuasively. It is truly a superb primer, perfect to give to someone who doesn't understand the total fraud of our dishonest money system. If you contribute $20 or more I will send you a free copy of this $6 book.

Contribute to the party and get up to a $50 tax credit on your 1985 return — $100 for a joint return! Att. 1, p. 26

POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 76737
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013

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POPULISM—

the Wave of the Future.

☐ Please send me further information about the Populist Party.

☐ Yes, I want to become a supporting member of the Populist Party National Committee. I'm enclosing $15 in annual dues.

☐ I wish to contribute to the Populist Party's national campaign fund. I am enclosing $_____.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

_____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Send to:
POPULIST PARTY NATIONAL COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 76737
Washington, D.C. 20013

Telephone: (202) 546-5530

The Populist Party platform is based on the simple premise:

Power to the People—
Not to the Special Interests

The Populist Party Places AMERICA First

The principles of Populism are as fresh today as they were when America's first populist, Thomas Jefferson, penned the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

The new Populist Party was established in Washington, D.C. on February 29, 1984 and is organized in every state. In the recent presidential election the party's candidates for president and vice president were on the ballot in 14 states. By 1988 the party expects to have ballot status in every state.

If you want to help the Populist Party in this state contact:

local Populist Party units may put their own address here.

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Are YOU a Populist?

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Check your positions on the issues against those of the various political parties as listed on the chart inside and see where you stand.

Are you a Populist?

Find out.

WHERE DO *YOU* STAND ON THE ISSUES?

MAJOR ISSUE	COMMUNIST PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	REPUBLICAN PARTY	POPULIST PARTY	YOUR POSITION
REPEAL THE FEDERAL INCOME TAX on the wages of the working middle class, which currently bears most of the tax burden.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT AMERICAN JOBS AND INDUSTRY from foreign competition. Institute fair tariff laws to equalize production costs at the water's edge. Promote domestic enterprise. Restrict immigration to protect employment for American workers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP INFLATION, BRING DOWN INTEREST RATES, AND PREVENT NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY by abolishing the private banking monopoly known as the Federal Reserve System which maintains a profitable deadlock on our economy at the expense of America's workers, farmers and small businessmen.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE. Establish a military which is second-to-none. Cease shipments of advanced technology and military equipment to enemy nations. Defend America, not the world.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT THE RIGHT OF LAW-ABIDING HOMEOWNERS AND SPORTSMEN to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Constitution.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REVITALIZE THE FAMILY FARM. Establish an immediate moratorium on all foreclosures against farmers, homeowners, and small businessmen. Provide parity for family farmers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP MEDDLING IN FOREIGN WARS. Restore America's traditional non-interventionist foreign policy as laid down by President George Washington. Stop sacrificing American boys in wars fought to benefit the special interests.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REINVIGORATE THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRINCIPLE: "Equal Rights for All; Special Privileges for None." End all forced racial busing, quotas and affirmative action programs.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE FREEDOM OF CHOICE in health care and education. End government restrictions which interfere with medical freedom and the right of parents and local school districts to guide their children's education.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REPUDIATE THE NATIONAL DEBT except that held by lenders who have invested their earned money in government securities. This will cut the artificially inflated debt and interest by at least one-half.	NO	NO	NO	YES	

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ARE YOU A *POPULIST*?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The National Committee of the Populist Party, composed of the official delegates from all states having a recognized Populist Party, will be held according to the bylaws.

The meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph St., Chicago. Reservations are available at a special rate to Populist Party members. Dial 800-643-1500.

All Populist Party supporting members are cordially invited to attend.

Registration will begin at noon, Friday, March 8. Business meeting will convene at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 9. A Populist Rally will begin immediately after the business meeting. Following a social event Saturday evening will be a Gala Banquet.

Sunday will feature a very important School of Politics. Experts in the fields of state organization, selection of candidates, ballot qualification, petitioning, use of issues, getting out the vote, etc. will speak and answer questions. The period will include panel discussions, questions and answers and confrontational situations.

Most events will be open to Supporting Members without charge. An appropriate charge will be made for the Populist Rally and Gala Banquet.

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I ALSO WANT TO HELP THE PARTY PASS THE WORD . . .

☐ I WANT TO PURCHASE:

_____ copies of the brochure Are YOU a Populist? (100 for $5; 200 or more, 4¢ each) ..... $_____

_____ copies of the Official Platform of the Populist Party (100 for $5; 200 or more, 4¢ each) ..... $_____

_____ Official Populist Party lapel pin(s) ($5 each) ..... $_____

_____ Populist Party bumper sticker(s) ..... $_____

_____ Abolish I.R.S. bumper sticker(s) ..... $_____

_____ Populist Party button(s) ..... $_____

(All bumper stickers and buttons are $1 each. If you order a dozen or more of a particular item, the price is 35¢ each.)

D.C. residents add 6% sales tax. **GRAND TOTAL** $_____

(Return this card with your order and contribution.) S-3

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POPULIST PARTY CONTRIBUTION CARD FOR AMERICA FIRST



YOURS FREE!

YES JUDGE RARICK,

I fully support the POPULIST PARTY. You can count on me to help in this crucial fight for America's survival as a free and independent nation. Please send me a 1985 Supporting Membership card for a minimum donation of $15. And if my contribution is $20 or more, also send me a FREE copy of Don Kimball's book, The Power and the Money. I enclose:

☐$15 ☐$25 ☐$50 ☐$100 ☐$_____Other

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WILLIAM K SHEARER
9160 PALM ST
LEMON GRV CA 92045

NOTE: Your contribution up to $50 is fully deductible dollar-for-dollar as a tax credit against your 1985 income tax. If you file jointly, you may deduct $100 from the tax you would ordinarily pay. Make check or money order out to POPULIST PARTY and mail to P.O. Box 76737, Washington, D.C. 20013.

(See reverse side to order POPULIST PARTY items.)

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FROM _____

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
(202) 546-5530

Ms. Faye Miller
P.O. Box 377
Dauphin Island, Al. 36528

April 30, 1985

Ref: Populist Party

Dear Ms. Miller:

As per our recent telephone conversation, please forward the following to my attention:

1. Bank reconciliation.
2. Copy of check stubs used.
3. Copy of paid invoices.

The above items should be sent each month as soon as the bank reconciliation is completed.

In addition, each quarter ending March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31, please complete the accounts payable work paper (sample attached) and forward to me. This should be done on or about the 15th day of the month following the quarter ending.

Your kind cooperation is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

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P.O. BOX 45302
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90045

Ms. Faye Miller
P.O. Box 377
Dauphin Island, AL. 36528

June 28, 1985

Dear Ms. Miller:

Yesterday, I was informed that all financial records from Januaryl, 1985, for the Populist Party are to be sent to your attention for the purpose of centralizing the accounting and F.E.C. reporting.

As soon as our outside accountants complete their annual review, I will forward these records and advise you of the financial activity from this office on a monthly basis.

Your cooperation and understanding is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

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Your Influence Counts . . . USE IT!

FAYE — 9/19/85

PLEASE SIGN & DATE
AND SEND TO FEC
1325 K ST. N.W.
WASH. D.C. 20463

THANKS
BOB

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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

(see reverse side for instructions)

1. Name of Committee (in Full) ☐ Check if name or address is changed.
POPULIST PARTY

2. Date
SEPTEMBER 19, 1985

(a) Address (Number and Street)
6065 MISSION GORGE RD. BOX 211

3. FEC Identification Number
C00186726

(c) City, State and ZIP Code
SAN DIEGO, CA. 92120

4. Is this an amended Statement? ☒ YES ☐ NO

5. TYPE OF COMMITTEE (check one):

☐ (a) This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

☐ (b) This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate	Candidate Party Affiliation	Office Sought	State/District

☐ (c) This committee supports/opposes only one candidate _____ and is NOT an authorized committee.
(name of candidate)

☒ (d) This committee is a NATIONAL committee of the POPULIST Party.
(National, State or subordinate) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)

☐ (e) This committee is a separate segregated fund.

☐ (f) This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate and is NOT a separate segregated fund nor a party committee.

6. Name of Any Connected Organization or Affiliated Committee	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Relationship
NONE		

If the registering political committee has identified a "connected organization" above, please indicate type of organization:

☐ Corporation ☐ Corporation w/o Capital Stock ☐ Labor Organization ☐ Membership Organization ☐ Trade Association ☐ Cooperative

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number – optional) and position, the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
JOHN COUTURE	13131 WEST JANESVILLE RD. HALES CORNERS, WI. 53130	CHAIRMAN

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number – optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
MS. FAYE MILLER	P.O. BOX 377 DAUPHIN ISLAND, AL. 36528	TREASURER

9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.	Mailing Address and ZIP Code
THE NATIONAL CAPITAL BANK OF WASHINGTON An SOUTH BANK N.A.	316 PENNSYLVANIA AVE. S.E. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003 P.O. DRAWER 1628 MOBILE, AL. 36629

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

FAYE MILLER
Type or Print Name of Treasurer

X
SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Date

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

For further information contact: Federal Election Commission, Toll Free 800-424-9530, Local 202-523-4068

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER)
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v.)
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POPULIST PARTY OF THE)
UNITED STATES, AND)
FAYE MILLER, TREASURER)
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RE: MUR 2176

AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM K. SHEARER
RE: ORGANIZATION AND HISTORY OF
THE POPULIST PARTY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)s.s.
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

I, William K. Shearer, being duly sworn state that:

1. I am the Parliamentarian of the national Populist Party, having been elected to this office by the National Convention held in Nashville, Tennessee on August 17, 1984, and having been re-elected by the National Committee of the Populist Party at its meeting in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985. By virtue of this

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office I am a member of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and have served in this capacity continuously since August 17, 1984.

2. I am, at present, the Parliamentarian, and a member of the State Executive Committee of the California American Independent Party, the California affiliate of the national Populist Party. I have been active in the American Independent Party and the national organizations with which it has been affiliated since on or about 1967, and have, in past, served as both state and national chairman of the American Independent Party.

3. I am an attorney by profession, duly admitted to practice before all courts in the state of California and various Federal courts including the United States Supreme Court.

4. This affidavit is made to describe the organization and history of the Populist Party.

5. I am informed and believe that the Populist Party had its origin on or about October 23, 1982, when three persons describing themselves as founding members, Willis A. Carto, Lois Petersen, and Clara Sandahl, executed a document called the "Constitution of the Populist Party of the United States". The organization formed was an unincorporated association, and a

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copy of the constitution is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporated herein by reference. My source for this information is Willis A. Carto, who, on or about the time of the National Convention of the Populist Party in August, 1984, provided me with a copy of the Constitution, and described its execution. In a letter addressed to me, dated February 27, 1986, at page 2, Mr. Carto states:

> "The beginning of the Populist Party (of course I do not refer to the original party of the 19th century) was October 25, 1982 when the constitution was signed by me, Clara Sandahl, and Lois Petersen in Washington, D.C."

A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by reference.

6. No further action was taken to organize the Populist Party until on or about February and March, 1984. On March 24, 1984, Mr. Carto appeared at a meeting of the State Executive Committee of the American Independent Party, held in Millbrea, California at which time he informed the Committee that it was his intent to launch the national Populist Party for purposes of nominating a presidential candidate in the 1984 election, and invited the California American Independent Party, which had continuously maintained a ballot qualified status since 1968, to participate

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in the new Populist Party. On March 25, 1984, the State Executive Committee of the American Independent Party voted to cooperate with the newly organizing Populist Party for purposes of participation in the 1984 presidential election.

7. From March 25, 1984 through the national convention on August 17-18, 1984, Mr. Carto made most major decisions pertaining to the Populist Party, completely controlled all of its finances, named interim national chairmen, selected Bob Richards of Waco, Texas to seek the presidential nomination of the Populist Party, and made the physical arrangements for the Nashville convention. Prior to the convention, he prepared a set of bylaws for the Populist Party which he submitted to me for my review and approval. These bylaws specifically refer to the constitution of the Populist Party, previously executed by Mr. Carto, et al. The bylaws state:

> "Following are the Bylaws for the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States under the authority of the Constitution of the Populist Party National Committee as done in Washington, D.C. on October 23, 1982."

A copy of said bylaws is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated herein by reference.

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8. At the convention in Nashville, I served as parliamentarian and a member of the Bylaws Committee. The Bylaws, attached hereto as Exhibit "C", were presented to the Bylaws Committee by Flemming Lee, Mr. Carto's attorney. The Bylaws were unanimously recommended for approval by the Committee and adopted by the full membership of the National Convention.

9. At the Nashville convention, the party elected officers for a term from the date of the convention until the first meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party, which was scheduled for March, 1985, at which time officers would be elected for a full four year term. The officers elected by the convention included: William W. Baker of Nevada, Chairman; James Yarbrough of Georgia, Vice-chairman; Donald R. Kimball of Iowa, Secretary; Emmett E. Miller of Alabama, Treasurer; and William K. Shearer of California, Parliamentarian. The convention nominated Bob Richards of Texas for President of the United States, and Maureen Kennedy Salaman of California for Vice-president. Attached hereto as Exhibit "D" and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of the agenda for the national convention. Attached hereto as Exhibit "E", and incorporated herein by reference, is a copy of a newsletter which I publish, "The American Independent", which describes in detail the actions taken by the Populist Party while assembled in national convention. In the letter attached hereto as Exhibit "B", at page 3, Mr. Carto admits:

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"The legal and official existence of the structured party began the instant Flemming Lee, at the party's first national convention in Nashville, on August 18, 1984, read the bylaws, took a vote and proclaimed their adoption."

10. The newly elected officers of the national Populist Party met briefly as an Executive Committee on August 19, 1984, but solely for the purpose of adding two additional members to the Executive Committee, one of whom was Mr. Carto. No further meetings of the Executive Committee were called by the chairman until November 24, 1984, following the presidential election. In the interim, Mr. Carto continued to transact all financial business of the party without consultation with the Executive Committee. I was aware that Mr. Carto was soliciting contributions in the name of the party, depositing the contributions in a bank account which he maintained in Washington, and was paying bills from the account. I was further informed by Mr. Carto that, on the advice of Flemming Lee, he had made necessary arrangements to file the required reports of campaign receipts and expenditures with the Federal Election Commission. I was not aware of the corporate nature of the account in which contributions to the party were being deposited.

11. On November 24-25, 1984, the national Executive Committee met in Washington, D.C., and began to function in its official

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capacity. The meeting was primarily concerned with the financial condition of the party, and the minutes state:

> "Treasurer Miller reported that he had not been kept totally informed as to the status of the party's funds. It was agreed without a motion that the treasurer be kept completely informed."

A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "F" and incorporated herein by reference.

12. Unfortunately, Mr. Miller became ill shortly after the Washington meeting, was hospitalized in December 1984, and died on January 10, 1985. As a consequence, the party had no elected treasurer until the meeting of the National Committee on March 9, 1985. During this interim period, Mr. Carto continued to conduct the financial transactions of the party in the same manner which he had done during the 1984 campaign period.

13. In late January 1985, Mr. Carto conducted a major fund raising mailing in the name of the Populist Party. A copy of the mailing is attached hereto as Exhibit "G" and incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Carto informed the Executive Committee that he was placing the receipts from the mailing in the party's Washington bank account.

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14. On March 9-10, 1985, the National Committee of the Populist Party held its first annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois. On March 9, 1985, the National Committee elected party officers for a full four year term as required by the Bylaws. Those elected were Fred Seipold of Idaho, Chairman; James Yarbrough of Georgia, Vice-Chairman; Donald R. Kimball of Iowa, Secretary; Mrs. Faye Miller of Alabama, Treasurer; and William K. Shearer of California, Parliamentarian. A copy of the official call to the meeting, and supporting documents, including the agenda, are attached hereto as Exhibit "H", and incorporated herein by reference. Attached hereto as Exhibit "I", and incorporated herein by reference is a report which I prepared for my newsletter, "The American Independent", describing the actions taken at the meeting.

15. On March 10, 1985, the newly formed Executive Committee of the Populist Party met. For the first time since the death of Emmett Miller, the party had an elected treasurer. At the Executive Committee meeting I offered a motion that the chairman, as legal counsel, be instructed to do such research as necessary to determine how the Committee's accounts should be structured and administered to meet all requirements of Federal and other applicable law; to report his findings in writing within 30 days; and that his findings be implemented without the necessity of further Executive Committee action, to assure that the National

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Committee was functioning in conformity to the requirements of law. This motion was adopted. Attached hereto as Exhibit "J" and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of a March 27, 1985 letter which I addressed to Chairman Fred Seipold setting forth in detail the motions which I made at the Executive Committee meeting pertaining to the party's financial affairs, and each of which motions was adopted by the Executive Committee.

16. Chairman Seipold did not take the steps directed by the Executive Committee action. However, Mrs. Miller, as Treasurer, opened a bank account in the party's name, and Mr. Carto caused to be transmitted to her $30,000.00 of the money which he had raised in the party's name through the January 1985 mailing.

17. Approximately a week following the National Committee meeting in Chicago, I participated in an informal meeting with Chairman Seipold, and Mr. Carto in San Diego, California, at which time party affairs were discussed. At this meeting I learned, for the first time, that Mr. Carto had established a separate corporate entity and bank account through which he had been conducting what I had understood to be the party's financial affairs. I subsequently made inquiry as to this corporation, and am informed and believe that on or about March 6, 1984, Mr. Carto, acting through employees of Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight", incorporated the Populist Party, Inc. in the state of

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Virginia as a non-stock corporation, with John Tiffany, an employee of Mr. Carto, as the registered agent; that a bank account was established by Mr. Carto and his employees in the name of the Populist Party, Inc.; that many of the contributions received in the name of the Populist Party were deposited by Mr. Carto and his employees in this account; that the corporation was reorganized on or about July 17, 1985, with Clara Sandahl as the registered agent; and that funds contributed to the Populist Party are still being deposited by Mr. Carto and his employees in this account; and that the corporation continues to function as an entity separate and distinct from the Populist Party, an unincorporated association.

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18. From March, 1984, until March , 1985, Mr. Carto did not inform me that he was conducting the financial affairs of the Populist Party from a bank account established in the name of a separate corporate entity; and I am further informed and believe that no other member of the Executive Committee was privy to this information. Mr. Carto has subsequently attempted to explain this corporation in a number of ways. On January 21, 1986, he addressed to me a wire in which he states:

> "As I have told you, the Virginia corporation is and always has been the Virginia state party."

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A copy of said wire is attached hereto as Exhibit "K" and incorporated herein by reference. I have personally investigated this assertion by Mr. Carto, and know it to be untrue. The corporation has not at any time functioned as the Virginia state affiliate of the Populist Party. On February 27, 1986, in the letter attached hereto as Exhibit "B", at pages 2-3, Mr. Carto states that "this incorporation was never activated, either by myself or the Virginia state chairman, Steve Giles. I have always considered it to be 'on the shelf' -- property of the Executive Committee to give to whoever formed a viable state party. In fact, it died after the state notified John Tiffiny-- the registered agent for the state -- that no annual report had been filed." Mr. Carto's assertions in the February 27, 1986 letter are also untrue. The corporation was activated on or about March 6, 1984, functioned during that year, and filed a Virginia tax return for 1984. It was specifically reorganized and reactivated on July 17, 1985, when Clara Sandahl became its registered agent. From sometime in March, 1984, through the present time, the corporation has had a bank account through which Mr. Carto transacted business in the name of the Populist Party.

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19. On or about July 2, 1984, Mr. Carto caused to be filed with the Federal Election Commission a statement of organization in the name of the Populist Party, listing William W. Baker as

chairman, and Clara Sandahl as treasurer. This filing preceded the national convention at Nashville, Tennessee at which officers of the party were elected. A copy of said statement of organization is attached hereto as Exhibit "L" and incorporated herein by reference.

20. Following the Nashville convention, held on August 17-19, 1984, at which time the party elected a treasurer, Mr. Carto continued to retain control of the party's financial affairs. I am informed and believe that neither he nor his employees notified the Federal Election Commission that Emmett Miller had been elected treasurer. The F.E.C. continued to address correspondence to Clara Sandahl as treasurer. See, for example, the letter of December 13, 1984 attached hereto as Exhibit "M" and incorporated herein by reference. From the date of the election of Mr. Miller to the post of treasurer by the National Convention on August 18, 1984, Clara Sandahl had no further claim to be treasurer of the Populist Party. If anything, she could only have been the treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc., Mr. Carto's separate non-stock Virginia corporation. I am informed and believe that reports made to the F.E.C. in the name of the Populist Party during 1984 were made by Clara Sandahl, and Lois Petersen, another Carto employee, neither of whom was elected to any office by the National Convention, and reflected transactions from the bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. I am further

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informed and believe that no reports to the F.E.C. reflecting transactions from the bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. have been made by the corporate officers to the F.E.C. during the calendar years 1985 and 1986.

21. In September, 1985, Populist Party Chairman Fred Seipold, resigned, and John M. Couture became chairman. Thereafter, the Executive Committee took further steps to place the control of the party's financial affairs in the hands of the elected treasurer and Executive Committee. On September 29, 1985 a motion was adopted providing, among other things, that all funds or checks of any kind are to be forwarded to Mrs. Miller, the national treasurer, in Alabama, for deposit only in the Populist Party account there. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "N" and are incorporated herein by reference.

22. On October 20, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion instructing the treasurer to direct a letter to Willis Carto requesting a complete accounting of the Washington, D.C. account, including statements of deposits, and cancelled checks. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "O" and are incorporated herein by reference.

23. On January 18, 1986, motions were adopted by the Executive Committee which:

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(A) Demanded that the Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia, or, that the name of the corporation be changed so as to differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States, making this differentiation clear to the public; that all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and that any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease, along with any other reference to the Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

(B) Approved the position of the treasurer, Mrs. Faye Miller, that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission, or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp. or "The Spotlight".

A copy of said minutes is attached hereto as Exhibit "P" and incorporated herein by reference as though set forth in full.

24. On March 1-2, 1986, the annual meeting of the Populist Party National Committee was held in Los Angeles, California. At said meeting a resolution was unanimously adopted commending national

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treasurer Faye Miller and the Executive Committee for all actions taken to assure lawful and fiscally responsible management of the Populist Party's finances; ratifying the actions of the treasurer and the Executive Committee with regard to party finances and instructing said officers to continue the policies expressed in the fiscal motions already adopted by the Executive Committee. A copy of the official call to the 1986 National Committee meeting is attached hereto as Exhibit "Q" and incorporated herein by reference. Attached hereto as Exhibit "R" and incorporated herein by reference is a report of the business transacted at the National Committee meeting as reported in my newsletter, "The American Independent".

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25. On March 8, 1986, the Executive Committee of the Populist Party adopted a motion stating the conditions under which the Executive Committee would not insist on an audit of Mr Carto's Washington accounts. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "S" and incorporated herein by reference as though set forth in full.

26. On March 17, 1986, Mr. Carto directed a letter to Populist Party Chairman John Couture in effect informing Mr. Couture that Mr. Carto intended, as he had in the past, to continue to conduct party business from his Washington office and account. A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "T" and incorporated

herein by reference.

27. On March 21, 1986, Chairman Couture addressed to Mr. Carto a letter demanding that Mr. Carto comply with the fiscal motions previously adopted by the Executive Committee. A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "U" and incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Carto ignored these demands.

28. On April 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a motion, which I offered, removing Mr. Carto from the Executive Committee of the Populist Party for his refusal to comply with the demands of the Executive Committee. A copy of said motion is attached hereto as Exhibit "V" and incorporated herein by reference.

29. At the April 18, 1986, meeting of the Executive Committee, I further offered a motion instructing the treasurer to file a formal complaint with the Federal Election Commission, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. Section 437g, requesting a complete investigation of the activities of Mr. Carto, the Populist Party, Inc., and the other entities which he controls, and which appear to be in violation of various sections of the Federal Election Laws. A copy of said motion is attached hereto as Exhibit "W" and is incorporated herein by reference. Said complaint is now in preparation.

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30. Attached hereto as Exhibit "X" and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of my letter to Mr. Carto in response to his letter to me attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

31. I have personally reviewed the definitions of National Committee and Political Party which appear in 2 U.S.C. Section 431 (k) and (m). Subsection (k) defines National Committee as "the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day to day operation of such political party at the national level, as determined by the commission." Political party is defined by subsection (m) as "an association, committee, or organization which nominates a candidate for election to any federal office, whose name appears on the election ballot as a candidate of such association, committee, or organization."

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32. Based upon these definitions, it is my belief that the Populist Party, Inc. does not qualify either as a political party, or the national committee of a political party as defined in 2 U.S.C. Section 431. The Populist Party, an unincorporated association, which held its national convention in Nashville, Tennessee on August 17-19, 1984 is the organization which nominated the candidates of the Populist Party for President and Vice-president of the United States. The Bylaws of the Populist Party, adopted by the delegates to the Nashville convention

provide that the National Committee, the officers, and Executive Committee of the Populist Party are responsible for the day to day operation of the political party at the national level. No such authority has ever been lawfully bestowed upon Mr. Carto's Virginia corporation, the Populist Party, Inc.

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Executed this 12th day of June 1986.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct; that affiant knows the foregoing facts to his own knowledge, except as to those matters which are set forth on information and belief, and as to those matters affiant believes them to be true; and that if called as a witness to testify to the facts contained herein, affiant is competent to do so.

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OFFICIAL SEAL
MICHAELLE C. MURPHEY
NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA
PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN
SAN DIEGO COUNTY
My Commission Exp. Apr. 1, 1987

Michaelle C. Murphey

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on June 12, 1986.

San Diego County, California

Notary public in and for said county and state.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

The name of this committee shall be the National Committee Populist Party of the United States.

It is the intent of the Populist Party to establish state committees in every state and to work for the election of populists to office on a local, state and federal level.

The principles of the Populist Party shall be those of Thomas Jefferson and the great populists of American history.

The Populist Party shall have exclusive use of the name, Populist Party.

This committee shall consist of such members as shall be provided in the Bylaws.

This committee shall meet at a time and place to be provided in the Bylaws.

Members of this committee shall be Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer plus such other officers as may be designated in the Bylaws or established by the National Committee.

This Constitution shall become effective when it is subscribed by three Founding Members.

This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds of the voting members of any national convention providing that the proposed amendment, signed by at least 50 Members, is submitted to the National Committee at least 120 days prior to a national convention.

DONE this 23rd day of October, 1982, at Washington, D. C.

Founding Members: [signature]

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February 27, 1986

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Dear Bill:

I am in receipt of your open letters to the executive committee of January 14 and 16 and to me of January 27 in reply to my wire to you of January 21. It is with genuine regret that I am forced to write this letter, not only because of the totally unnecessary waste of time but because it means essentially that I have to play your game, the only result of which must be to add to the mistrust, disorganization and paralysis of the national office of the Populist Party.

From the time that Bob Weems and I set the party in motion back in February of 1984 I have received warnings too numerous to cite that involving you in the party would inevitably lead to the state of affairs now evident.

Despite these warnings I moved forward believing that this time--my second attempt to work with you over the years--we would establish a relationship of candor and trust in pursuit of what I believed was a goal you shared with me: to build a viable and powerful third party.

This conviction was emphasized by the fact that you and I have never had the slightest disagreement over political philosophy and the party platform Bob and I drew up two years ago. Nor have we had any conceptual difference to amount to anything over strategy. Indeed, numerous times when there appeared to be a difference between us I always capitulated to you in the interests of unity. In fact, I told a number of people in confidence that it was my intention to play "second fiddle" to you whenever necessary, to give the responsible and stable leadership populists have a right to expect. I feel I have walked the extra mile with you to try to avoid this dispute. It is entirely your actions, not mine, which have resulted in the present impasse.

You have created a confused and complex situation which is impossible to understand without patiently going through developments from the beginning and this is the purpose of this letter, copies of which I shall send to interested parties. I have no other choice than to publicly lay out the following; otherwise those sincerely interested in the party will have insufficient and false information from you as a basis for action at the upcoming national committee meeting.

(Incidentally, your marking your two letters of January 14 and 16 as "PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL" was a hypocritical attempt to piously avert your eyes from the problems which you yourself created. You knew very well that some of the people you sent these letters to are temperamentally incapable of keeping a confidence and that within hours after receipt of these letters these gossips would see to it that their contents would be public knowledge).

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The beginning of the Populist Party (of course, I do not refer to the original party of the 19th century) was October 25, 1982 when the constitution was signed by me, Clara Sandahl and Lois Petersen in Washington, D.C. For some before that it had been my hope to organize a new party and by establishing the name we would have a claim on it should certain promoters, such as Richard Viguerie, try to start a Populist Party merely for the purpose of fundraising.

In February of 1984 it appeared to me that if prompt and decisive action was taken a new party could use the balance of the year organizing and might, if we were able to get a decent candidate, get a significant vote in the presidential election only nine months away.

Further, I was confident that many thousands of Spotlight subscribers would enthusiastically welcome the call for a new party founded on the best of American principle (as indeed they did, supplying virtually all of the membership and money) although I did not realize that so many others--Republican loyalists--would reject the new party and, in fact, cancel or fail to renew their subscriptions to The Spotlight.

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But our loss of subscribers is not the point because I did not found the party for business reasons. I felt that by getting started in early 1984--as late as it was for the upcoming presidential election--we would be in a position to field congressional candidates in 1986 and then, in 1988, could make a significant attempt to elect a president. Nothing is more sad to me than to see that the inaction of the executive committee over the past 14 months--mostly due to your obstruction of every positive plan set forth--has laid these plans to rest.

Of course, we have had other setbacks. The selection of Bob Richards as our candidate in 1984 was a serious blunder, and there is no one to blame for that but me. I also selected Bill Baker, another blunder. These two mistakes were my fault completely and I offer no excuses. But they were the only ones I made, and both were recoverable, not mortal. The blame for the present paralysis, which can only result in the total eclipsing of the party unless it is promptly healed, is certainly not mine; it is yours and yours alone.

To get back to the beginning, in February of 1984 I asked Bob Weems to help get the party under way and to serve as chairman until we could give legal and permanent form to the party. He--one of the most dedicated and honest men I know--came to Washington and cooperated in every way. In a few days we together worked out the platform for "The Populist Party of the United States" which I believe to be the finest statement of political principle of our day.

On February 24 we opened post office box 76737 and on March 5 we established the bank account. Note that all this was done by LIBERTY LOBBY and Spotlight personnel. Neither this nor anything else which followed would have been possible without the full backing--including financial--of these entities.

On March 6, Bob made an emergency trip to Richmond to formally lay legal claim to the name by incorporating. The purpose of this--as you know very well from previous discussions--was to shortstop Viguerie who newspaper accounts at the time hinted was thinking about setting up a "Populist Party" as a fundraising gimmick. As you also know, this incorporation was never activated, either by

myself or even by the Virginia state chairman, Steve Giles. I have always considered it to be "on the shelf"--property of the executive committee to give to whoever formed a viable state party. In fact, it died after the state notified John Tiffany--the registered agent for the state--that no annual report had been filed.

The legal and official existence of the structured party began the instant Fleming Lee, at the party's first national convention in Nashville, on August 18, 1984, read the bylaws, took a vote and proclaimed their adoption. Later that day the national committee elected the first executive committee: Bill Baker as chairman, Jim Yarbrough as vice chairman, Don Kimball as secretary, Emmett Miller as treasurer, you as parliamentarian and John Couture, Tom Goodloe and Fred Seipold as members. Maureen Salaman and I were asked to serve and Eileen also as ex-officio.

The first meeting was held in Washington on November 24, 1984, immediately after the election. At that time the committee audited the party's books and arrangements were made to send all business records to Emmett Miller. After thorough discussion, the committee voted to accept the debt then existing of $264,888.80. I attach a copy of Emmett's audit written in his own hand.

I recall vividly the lecture you gave in which you emphasized your personal integrity and concern for clear and accurate business records in every respect. You said that you did not realize how much the debt was but that you were satisfied that it was all accounted for but from thenceforth you demanded total control.

This was to become a constant theme of yours: how important it was for the executive committee to review each and every detail of business and approve literally every dime spent. Until very recently I interpreted this as resulting from your pettifogging instincts as a lawyer and an inexplicable blindness of being unable to see the forest for the trees.

Obviously, attempting to run a successful political campaign pay-as-you-go is totally unrealistic and can be productive of nothing but infinite impotence. As I have told you and the executive committee many times, the important thing is to think about growth, organization, membership, planning ahead and raising funds. If we do this, all debts can easily be repaid.

Your novel theory that there have been two parties ever since you secretly--and without approval of the executive committee--registered something called "The Populist Party of the United States" with the FEC on August 5, 1985 is hard to understand, coming from a man who has for so long and very loudly declaimed to anyone and everyone his praise for his own honesty, integrity, responsibility and strict "old fashioned morality."

Frankly, Bill, this sneaky act not only makes you look like a deadbeat (and I am sure you are not) but it would be clearly illegal according to federal election laws even if the national committee or the executive committee had approved it, which they did not. Hence, your unauthorized registration is invalid because it was done on your own and has no effect whatsoever because the party has been fully and properly registered with the FEC since early 1984.

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This is very odd. I know of no one more a stickler for legalistic detail and due process than you. You have defeated many suggestions for positive action I and others made on the executive committee because of minor, technical details. Indeed, this is your typical modus operandi. But you took the huge step--or rather told Faye Miller to do so--of re-registering the party with the FEC without any authority to do so, creating a very serious problem which can only result in federal interference in our internal affairs, the loss of much time and probably thousands of dollars in legal fees.

On January 21 I sent you the following wire in response to your two open (so-called "confidential") letters of January 14 and 16:

> Please rethink your position very carefully or you will open a real can of worms. As I have told you, the Virginia corporation is and always has been the Virginia state party. If your thesis is correct the contributions made to the national committee by D.C. have been illegal and must be repaid, including at least $15,715.72 disbursed to you and Eileen. The total of illegal contributions would be far more than the existing debts. Your thesis makes you liable for fines. It will result not only in massive confusion for supporters and loss of support but expensive federal investigations and suits, all in all a tremendous setback for the party. I suggest we work out a reasonable settlement before too late. I am sure you are not trying to destroy the party. I am perfectly willing to let neutral parties decide.

After thinking this over for five days you replied on January 27 in a far more conciliatory vein, but rejecting my proposal for arbitration by neutral persons, the only method that can be used to settle this outside of litigation. I can understand that as a prosperous lawyer you feel at home in the courts but other people have reason to intensely dislike the delay, expense and waste of litigation, especially when it is totally unnecessary.

Bill, the more I think of your truly indefensible actions the more I suspect that you have been innocently misled. You state that party records have not been sent to Faye Miller. Perhaps you are unaware of the volume of material Blayne Hutzel has sent to your treasurer, each one via certified or registered mail, and we have the return receipts to prove it. She has been supplied with literally everything yet we have yet to receive the courtesy of even an acknowledgement. For example, time after time we have been forced to pay party bills rather than see our credit with printers and other suppliers go down the drain and we have asked her to return the invoice so that we could cancel it: she has never done so. To give a complete recap of all of the papers we have sent her, including copies of our filings with the FEC and even, on one occasion, a form she only had to sign and post to the FEC in the envelope we provided, would take too much time and this letter is already too long.

I could take many pages citing inaccuracies and outright misstatements in your letters. For example, you state: "The fact that the Populist Party, Inc. is a separate entity from the Populist Party, the unincorporated association, is confirmed by a letter from the FEC dated August 22, 1985, to Clara Sandahl, treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc." Your statement is untrue. The letter is addressed not as you state but to, "Treasurer of the Populist Party."

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Contrary to your numerous misstatements, there is and has been only one Populist Party. I am sure that the membership of the party will agree with me. Your attempt to change the record can result only in grave harm to the party.

I have neither the time nor the interest to seek to dominate the Populist Party. On the contrary, my aim from the start has been to create strong state and national leadership. I want the party to become a viable political entity, not a debating club or a forum through which one individual can exert his own authority as though he were a two-bit Chicago machine politician.

I could abandon the party and allow it to self-destruct under its present leadership. However, I do not wish to do that. I shall not sit by and allow the many thousands of members of LIBERTY LOBBY's board of policy and readers of The Spotlight who have spent much of their own time, energy and financial resources helping build the party at both the state and national level to be abandoned. I feel a personal responsibility to these many people who have supported LIBERTY LOBBY and The Spotlight (some for as long as thirty years) and I do not intend to permit them to be exploited by any organization or group of individuals.

The Populist Party, by its very nature, is, and should be, a grassroots movement. There is no way it can ever succeed if its executive committee refuses to work toward developing the party at the state level, and this is exactly what is happening. This is an impression shared by many party members who have, in calls and letters to me personally and to LIBERTY LOBBY and The Spotlight, expressed their dissatisfaction with the failure of the executive committee and its national administrative office to expedite efforts to build the party.

Inexplicably, Bill, you have denounced state party leaders who have waged successful fund-raising and organizational efforts. I refer specifically to your amazing proposal that Baron Eickhoff, the young and energetic state chairman of the Florida party, be removed from his position.

In your letter of January 14 you charge that Eickhoff "actively attempts to persuade party members not to support the national party." You charge in your letter that "With control of the party and its funding no longer in Mr. Carto's hands, we find his associates actively attempting to divert funds away from the national Populist Party."

First of all, to suggest that he is one of my "associates" more so than any other party leader is stretching a point. Secondly, and more importantly, I find it hard to understand why you object to Eickhoff's efforts to raise funds at the state level where the funds are needed most. There can be no successful national party if there are no strong, well-funded and effective state parties.

I would think that many state party organizations would be more than happy to be able to set in place in their states the kind of successful fundraising drive that Eickhoff has waged in Florida. It is my hope that many more state party organizations will do as well as Eickhoff has done, not just in raising funds, but in producing party literature, winning publicity for the state party's efforts, and in building party unity within party ranks, all of which Eickhoff has done successfully.

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At this time, I'm sorry to say, contributions to the national Populist Party by good-hearted patriots seem to be going down a rathole. I find it hard to cite any party-building activities on the part of the national administrative office of the executive committee during the past six months. I contrast this with Baron Eickhoff's efforts in Florida and with those of other party leaders in the various states. All of this has been done without the help of the executive committee, and apparently against its wishes.

There is no other word but sabotage to describe the shameful rejection of a national organizer by vote of the executive committee on December 30, 1985. This is so important I shall lay down the incredible succession of events here.

It was in October or November when I was contacted by a young and successful businessman who wished to work for the party full time. Having first met this man at the Nashville convention, and being even then impressed by his undoubted abilities, although his political experience was limited, I was extremely pleased. In discussing the matter with him--including a special trip I made to meet him in a distant town--I became even more convinced that he could be just what was needed to get the party back in motion after you fired Fred Seipold.

This man agreed to take the position of national director working under the executive committee and would spend his full time traveling around the country working with state organizations, finding candidates and raising funds. He would be paid only if he could raise the money. The most we could have lost would be a mere $6,000 for a six-month trial period and we could fire him in 30 days or 60 days if we wanted to.

This seemed to me like an answer to a prayer. I asked him for some resumes to send to you and John Couture and I checked him out myself. He seemed almost perfect for the job.

I then persuaded him to fly at his own expense to Los Angeles from the east coast to meet you and John during the meeting you had November 8 and 9, 1985 at the Viscount Hotel. He did so and we all had a full and complete opportunity to evaluate him personally. At that time you and John led us to expect that the matter would be brought to a vote by the executive committee immediately. At no time did you express any objections about him, although it was evident to me that you were definitely not enthusiastic about the thought of someone whom you did not totally control having any authority.

As you know, absolutely nothing happened until I finally forced a vote on December 30 during the telephone conference then. Both you and John offered amendments to my motion which I accepted. I made it clear that I would accept any amendments just to get him started. Finally, unable to think of anything better, you gave the transparently insincere excuse that you had to have a copy of the motion before you so that you could study it before you could vote favorably and you accused me of acting hastily. You, John, Miller and Rolland Victor voted against it; Maureen, Don Kimball, Jerry Pope and I voted for it. A tie so the motion was rejected.

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It was patently obvious that your and John's opposition was personally motivated and was contrary to the interests of the party. Neither of you want anyone else to have any authority even if means the continued immobility of the party. Apparently, you do not want any young, new blood in a leadership position, unless it's Nancy Shearer.

You will recall that after I left the line in disgust on December 30 Faye Miller accused me behind my back of stealing money from the party. If she were not the party treasurer (thanks entirely to you, who have sought to keep her in this position for which she is not qualified) no one would listen to her. (Incidentally, her failure to apologize is still an open issue which I shall not drop, nor do I appreciate your part in encouraging her slander, which you know is totally unjustified).

Another matter which you have addressed in a manner which indicates that you are clearly suggesting impropriety in the handling of party funds deals with the question of disbursement of funds to various individuals whom you say "are not now nor have they ever been on the Populist Party payroll, and whose travel was unauthorized by the executive committee."

You cite, among others, Velma Blekeberg who received $132.90. Mrs. Blekeberg, it so happens, is a loyal Populist Party member who came to the convention in Nashville, having contributed to the Bob Richards for President campaign, expecting her hotel costs to be covered during her trip to Nashville, as was promised by the Richards campaign to all who contributed $250 or more to the fund.

Unfortunately, due to an administrative foul-up at the hotel where she stayed, Mrs. Blekeberg was charged, on her credit card, $132.90 for her lodging, even though it should have been charged to the Richards campaign. Mrs. Blekeberg brought the matter up with the Washington office, and when the funds were available, I authorized her reimbursement so as to avoid having a loyal party member unfairly charged for an error of the Richards campaign. Only a deadbeat would object to this disbursement.

As for the $90 disbursed to Mrs. Isabel Taylor, these funds were made in payment to Mrs. Taylor who provided lodging for, among others, Bill Baker, the party's national chairman, when he was visiting Washington. Mrs. Taylor operates a clean, inexpensive rooming house close to LIBERTY LOBBY headquarters, and in an attempt to save the party from having to provide expensive hotel lodging for Mr. Baker, Lois Petersen of the LIBERTY LOBBY staff arranged for Baker to stay at Mrs. Taylor's guest house during his stay in Washington.

I might note, as an aside, that I suggested that you and Eileen stay at Mrs. Taylor's guest house during your Washington visit for the executive committee meeting in November of 1984, but you summarily rejected this, preferring to take quarters at the vastly expensive Capitol Hill Hotel, at the party's expense, of course.

Your condemnation of Peter Polkiewicz for designing and manufacturing party emblems and paraphernalia is grotesque and contemptible. The deal with him would have brought not only profit to the party but a long list of items to improve party identification and morale. Thanks to your criticism, Peter has thrown up his hands in disgust. He thought he was helping us. I did, too.

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I cannot help but recall, in this context, that you told me in 1968, and that you have told others, that you fully expected to make plenty of money out of the American Independent Party, and that your political experience had taught you how money could be made out of the game. Although you never explained to me what you meant, I have from time to time wondered, as I do now.

It seems to me that others might also wonder about this to the point that it could well be a cause of concern among everyone in the party who senses that someone or something seems to keep the party in turmoil (much as the American Independent Party always seemed to be in turmoil), thereby preventing effective action. I have often noted that when a troublemaker accuses someone else of an evil act, he is usually guilty of what he accuses others of.

The history of your perennial, perpetual squabbles with others in the third party movement is too deep and too murky to go into here, but those with long memories cannot help but be reminded by current events of the troubles which plagued the AIP from the very start. I regret that the Populist Party is, unfortunately, falling prey to these same difficulties. I do not regret, though, that I made an honest personal effort to help set the Populist Party in motion, throwing the resources of LIBERTY LOBBY and The Spotlight behind this effort. It is sad to see, however, that a good thing is going sour before the very eyes of the many Americans who gave the party's efforts their all.

You have brought me to the point where I would like to get out and leave the mess to you, who deserve it. Unfortunately, I cannot. You have contrived a tortured situation with the FEC which will require hours of work by someone and probably thousands of dollars in legal fees. You have disaffected the strongest supporters of the party. You have tried to set up a party to "compete" with the real Populist Party. You have set back our progress more than a year. You have made many populists throughout the nation and my associates on The Spotlight disgusted with the whole concept of a third party. Finally, there is the matter of the personal insult and lie Faye Miller is guilty of in accusing me--who has given far more to the party than anyone else and who has not received a dime for it--of stealing money--and this lie left uncontroverted by you and some of the other dignitaries on the executive committee.

These matters must be worked out. I hereby renew my suggestion that it be done speedily. This coming weekend the national committee will elect a new executive committee. If you and any of your puppets are not part of it I invite either the whole committee or its designees to Washington to inspect our records, straighten out the mess with the FEC and work out a solution that will make it possible for me to continue backing the party, as I so want to do. These matters must be addressed this coming weekend to avoid complete suffocation by them.

It is just a damn shame that your mishandling of party affairs has brought on these totally avoidable, time-wasting problems.

I also hope that this coming weekend will see some improvement in the dismal California picture. You deserve credit for founding the AIP and keeping it on the ballot but can be given no credit at all for your consistently negative

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attitude toward fielding the best possible candidates--one example of which is the decision of Maureen Salaman not to run for the governorship because of your refusal to supply her with the minimum possible support--a secretary. Fortunately, the very able and dedicated Gary Miller has agreed to run. He deserves support--including financial support--from the AIP.

At this time we have tremendous opportunities in California. With the great influx of new blood by Spotlight people you should have candidates running for every congressional seat. Is it that you fear that strong candidates or too many "outsiders" would threaten your control of the party?

Many people feel that the AIP is not a political party--it is a cocktail party for you and your cronies to have fun at, a hobby and to provide you with a captive audience for your filthy jokes. Yes, the AIP is a joke to the Republicans and Democrats. Seriously, is the AIP a means to an end or the end in and of itself?

If the Populist Party can get itself straightened out and begin putting first things first: leadership (always first), organization, candidates and fundraising rather than groveling in the political gutter in the sport of character assassination, rumor mongering, jockeying for meaningless titles and seeking personal advantage at the expense of the party, we may still make some progress this year and in 1987 and 1988. But the time to put away childish things and get moving is now. Right now.

Sincerely,

Willis A. Carto
Treasurer

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Summary of Obligations

- Populist Party 11/24/84

Obligations		Resources	
Liberty Lobby + Spotlight	264,888.80	Cash on Hand	27,442.03
Expense Reimbursements	28,467.53		
Payables	15,404.52		
	308,760.85		
Less - Cash on Hand	27,442.03		
Party Deficit	281,318.82		

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BYLAWS

I. IDENTIFICATION

Following are the Bylaws for the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States under the authority of the Constitution of the Populist Party National Committee as done in Washington, D. C. on October 23, 1982.

II. MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATION

Membership in the Populist Party is limited to one political party organization recognized by the National Committee from each state, the District of Columbia and any other area specified by the National Committee.

Representation on the National Committee shall be determined as follows:

(1) When a member state political party is qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, the state party is entitled to three representatives plus one additional representative for each five electoral votes of the subject state or major fraction thereof.

(2) When a member state political party was qualified in the most recent general election to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the ballot, but is not so qualified for the next general election ballot, the state organization is entitled to three representatives.

(3) When a member political organization is not qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, and was not so qualified in the immediately preceeding general election, the state organization is entitled to two representatives.

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No state political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessments as established by the National Committee.

The Credentials Committee shall be chosen by the Executive Committee and shall have power to seat a state party organization in any National Convention or on the National Committee. Each ballot-qualified state committee shall have at least one person on the Credentials Committee.

Prior to each National Committee meeting each state political party shall file with the Credentials Committee a list of its representatives and alternates signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the member party. The most recent list so filed shall be presumed to express the intent of the state party.

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III. MEETINGS

The National Committee shall hold one regular meeting each year on the first Saturday of March and such special meetings as may be required.

Special meetings may be called by the Chairman or by a majority of the Executive Committee.

Notice of all meetings shall be given in writing to all representatives of record at least 30 days prior to such meetings unless an emergency requires less notice. The order of business shall be stated in the call.

A quorum for business shall be at least one representative, credentialled by the state party, from a majority of the member state parties.

Meetings of the National Committee shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised, except that the Constitution of the

National Committee, these Bylaws or any special rules adopted by the National Committee, shall take precedence in the event of conflict therewith.

Each representative of a member political party shall be entitled to one vote in all meetings of the National Committee. A representative may vote by proxy but no person may cast more than one vote.

There shall be no solicitation of funds at any National Committee meeting or Convention except as authorized by the National Committee or the Executive Committee. There shall be no sale nor circulation of literature except as so authorized.

IV. OFFICERS

The officers of the National Committee shall be elected at the first regular meeting of the National Committee following each presidential election, and the officers so elected shall be immediately installed and shall serve a term of four years.

Officers may be removed by majority vote of the National Committee.

The National Committee shall elect the following officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian plus such assistant officers as may be required.

Officers need not be representatives to the National Committee but must be registered voters in the Populist Party in their state.

The National Committee may establish permanent or temporary committees at its pleasure.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chairman the Vice-Chairman shall immediately succeed to that office. In the event

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of a vacancy in any other office the Chairman shall appoint a qualified person to fill that office for the remainder of the term.

V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The Chairman shall be the chief administrative officer of the National Committee. He shall administer the affairs of the National Committee between meetings of the Executive Committee; establish an office and communications for the National Committee; appoint members of committees subject to approval of the National Committee; preside at all meetings of the National Committee or the Executive Committee and do all other things incumbent upon the Chairman to do to prosecute the interests of the Populist Party.

The Vice-Chairman shall preside at meetings in the absence of the Chairman and shall perform the other duties of the Chairman in his absence or incapacity.

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the National Committee and the Executive Committee, shall sign documents as required by the office and do all other things required in general of a Secretary.

The Treasurer shall account for all funds received and expended by the National Committee. Pursuant to action of the National Committee or Executive Committee the Treasurer shall make available to the Chairman such funds as may be required for the operating expenses of the National Committee, to be replenished upon presentation of valid receipts for the funds expended, and provided funds are available in the National Committee treasury.

The Parliamentarian shall advise on points of order at meetings of the National Committee and Executive Committee. The Parlia-

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mentarian shall advise on all procedural matters.

VI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the National Committee plus whatever other persons may be selected by the officers. The Executive Committee shall manage the affairs of the Party between meetings of the National Committee and has all powers of the National Committee.

VII. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Each member state party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of the sum of twenty dollars every four months for each representative to the National Committee it is entitled to under these Bylaws. Such payments shall be made to the National Committee and shall be received by the National Committee no later than April 30, August 31 and December 31 of each calendar year.

The National Committee is authorized to conduct additional fundraising activities in support of its program and operations.

VIII. NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Committee shall, during each presidential election year, call a nominating meeting or convention of the member state parties for the purpose of nominating presidential and vice presidential candidates, adopting a Platform and transacting appropriate business. The National Committee shall set the fees required of member state organizations to participate.

IX. POWERS

The National Committee has power to transact business in the name of the national Populist Party, to open a bank account or accounts, to contract for services, equipment, goods or personnel, to borrow money in the name of the national Populist Party, to recognize any group as the official party organization in each

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state and to do all other things necessary to conduct the business of the National Committee. Except when the National Committee is in session, the affairs of the National Committee shall be conducted by the Executive Committee and its powers exercised thereby.

The National Committee recognizes the autonomy of member state parties and their right to conduct and control their own internal affairs.

X. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Bylaws may be adopted by majority vote at any meeting of the National Committee provided that the amendment be stated in the call for the meeting and circulated to the chairman of each state party organization at least 30 days prior to such meeting.

ADOPTED by the Delegates to the Populist Party National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee this 18th day of August, 1984.

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Chairman

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Secretary

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11:20 a.m.	Report of Nominations Committee	Chairman, EMMETT MILLER
11:30 a.m.	Recess for lunch	
12:00 noon	DEADLINE FOR ALL RESOLUTIONS IN WRITING	
12:15 p.m.	Rules and Bylaws Committee meeting	
1:00 p.m.	Convention Reconvenes	WILLIAM W. BAKER
	Further report of Credentials Committee Further report of Rules Committee	
1:15 p.m.	Nomination of Presidential Candidates	
2:00 p.m.	Vote on Presidential candidates	
2:45 p.m.	Nomination of Vice Presidential Candidates	
3:30 p.m.	Vote on Vice Presidential Candidates	
4:15 p.m.	Acceptance speeches by Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees	
5:00 p.m.	Campaign kick-off	National Campaign Coordinator, EILEEN M. SHEARER
8:00 p.m.	Buffet dinner and celebration party, honoring our candidates and party workers	
	Addresses by candidates and Parade of Populists	
10:00 p.m.	Resolutions Committee meeting	

SUNDAY, August 19	CONVENTION	(Nashville Civic Hall)
8:00 a.m.	Meeting of Resolutions Committee and Rules and Bylaws Committee	
9:00 a.m.	Convention reconvenes	WILLIAM W. BAKER
	Invocation	Rev. DALE CROWLEY
9:15 a.m.	Report of Resolutions Committee	Iowa State Chairman, DON KIMBALL
10:15 a.m.	Report on Party Ballot Status	National Director of Ballot Qualification, JAMES YARBROUGH
10:35 a.m.	SCHOOL OF POLITICS	Dean, WILLIAM K. SHEARER Asst. Dean, WILLIS A. CARTO
	Breaking the Media Barrier	MAUREEN SALAMAN
11:00 a.m.	Students for Populism	VICTOR MARCHETTI & ANDREW RUSSO
11:30 a.m.	Computer Vote Fraud	KENNETH F. & JAMES M. COLLIER
12:00 noon	Recess for lunch	
1:30 p.m.	Successful Petitioning	Maryland State Chairman, TRISHA KATSON
1:55 p.m.	State Party Structure to Precinct Level	EILEEN SHEARER & DON KIMBALL
2:25 p.m.	FEC Requirements	FLEMING LEE & GARY ODOM
2:45 p.m.	The Propaganda War	LOIS PETERSEN
3:00 p.m.	Basic Public Relations & Fund Raising	ED SHAW
3:25 p.m.	Political Tactics	WILLIAM K. SHEARER
3:45 p.m.	Practical Public Psychology	WILLIAM W. BAKER
4:05 p.m.	How to Use Issues and Nonissues	JOHN R. RARICK
4:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Adjournment of Convention	

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NATIONAL CONVENTION

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THURSDAY, August 16	(Convention headquarters, Best Western Capitol Park Inn)	
All day	Staff planning and executive meetings	
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Lobby. Registration of officers, speakers, candidates, delegates	
FRIDAY, August 17	PRE-CONVENTION	
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration of delegates and press in lobby, Best Western Inn	
9:00 a.m.	Executive Committee meeting. Chairman, WILLIAM W. BAKER	
All day	State caucus meetings	
10:30 a.m.	Rules and Bylaws Committee meeting. Chairman, FLEMING LEE	
1:00 p.m.	Nominations Committee meeting. Chairman, EMMETT MILLER	
3:30 p.m.	Resolutions Committee meeting. Chairman, DON KIMBALL	
5:00 p.m.	Poolside Patio. Welcome reception and social get-together. Dress: Populist Country & Western or casual	
8:00 p.m.	Grand Ole Opry (optional)	
8:30 p.m.	Credentials Committee meeting. Chairman, TOM GOODLOE	
SATURDAY, August 18	CONVENTION	(Nashville Civic Hall)
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Continuing Registration	
9:00 a.m. PROMPTLY	Convening of Convention.	National Chairman, WILLIAM W. BAKER
	Invocation	Rev. G. SIMMONS ROBICHAUX, Chaplain Tennessee Marine Corps League
	Presentation of Colors	
	Pledge of Allegiance	Col. JACK MOHR
	Welcoming Remarks	Tennessee State Chairman, EMMETT L. BAKER
9:20 a.m.	Convention Orientation	Convention Director, EDWARD L. SHAW
9:30 a.m.	Chairman's Report	WILLIAM W. BAKER
9:45 a.m.	Unveiling of Symbol	Contest Chairman, WILLIS A. CARTO
10:00 a.m.	Introduction of Keynote Speaker	COURTNEY SMITH, Louisiana
10:05 a.m.	Keynote Address	Hon. JOHN R. RARICK, Louisiana
10:40 a.m.	Report of Credentials Committee	Chairman, TOM GOODLOE
10:50 a.m.	Report of Rules and Bylaws Committee	Chairman, FLEMING LEE

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RICHARDS, SALAMAN HEAD POPULIST TICKET

Bob Richards of Waco, Texas, winner of two Olympic gold medals, was the choice of Populists for President of the United States at the party's historic convention in Nashville, Tennessee, on August 18, 1984.

Maureen Kennedy Salaman of San Francisco, California, president of the National Health Federation, was acclaimed as Richards' Vice-Presidential running-mate.

The convention vote on the two candidates was advisory, being contingent upon ratification of the nominations by the state convention of California's American Independent Party, the largest state affiliate of the Populist Party. The two nominations were confirmed by the A.I.P. on August 25, 1984.



Bob Richards

At the Nashville convention, Richards defeated his closest challenger Charles Glenn of Pennsylvania by a vote of 469 to 7.

Salaman defeated six opponents by a vote of 351 to the opposition's combined total of 122.

Forty-seven states and the District of Columbia were represented at the Populist Party convention. Total registered delegates numbered 651.



Maureen Kennedy Salaman

Richards, who won the Populist presidential nomination, is a nationally known speaker and author, with an outstanding record of athletic accomplishments. He was a member of three U. S. Olympic teams, and won gold medals in 1952 and 1956 in pole vault competition. One of the top motivational speakers in the country, he has addressed over 12,000 audiences.

The nomination of Richards represents the first time since its formation in 1967 that the American

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Independent Party has nominated a candidate for President outside the field of politics.

Salaman, the Populist Vice-Presidential nominee is an outstanding speaker with national recognition who has been an active participant in the health movement and various humanitarian causes since 1964. In addition to her work as president of the National Health Federation, she serves as associate editor of "Health Freedom News," and is a well known radio personality in San Francisco, where she hosts two talk shows.

Among her other activities, Salaman has traveled to the Far East on behalf of the M.I.A. program to locate and free American servicemen unaccounted for in the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

In a major address to the convention, Richards pledged to campaign on a platform including reform of the economy and reduction of U. S. involvement in foreign lands. He said that if elected, he will abolish the Federal Reserve system, reduce federal spending, eliminate income taxes, and raise $750 billion by taxing 50 percent of the $1.5 trillion that the banks earn each year in interest charges to their customers.

Richards said that by eliminating the Federal Reserve, he would restore to the government, instead of private bankers, the power to issue money.

He also said he would place a tariff on all foreign products entering the U. S. and revitalize American industries such as steel, gas, and heavy equipment.

Richards, promised to stop U. S. commitments to fight foreign wars, and to take the profit out of war. He strongly condemned making profit at the expense of the slaughter of American servicemen.

Salaman, too, pledged to support repeal of the personal income tax and abolition of the Federal Reserve.

"I have one goal in life," she said, "to leave America free. I have a duty to see that my fellow Americans are free. If we are to enjoy the fruits of liberty emblazened with sacrifice in our Constitution and Declaration of Independence, paid for by the man in uniform, purchased by the Man on the Cross, then we have a duty and responsibility to see that those who gave their lives might rest in peace, knowing that the land that they defended is still free."

Salaman said that when she was a young child, her father was killed in World War II in the Pacific. "I was always forbidden to pray, 'God keep Daddy safe.' I was admonished that I must always pray, 'God make Daddy brave and keep him true.'

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"Our nation needs to be reminded that this is the land of the free and the home of the brave."

For two days of sessions, the enthusiastic Populist delegates cheered their candidates and other speakers. They greeted with particular excitement the announcement that Richards and Salaman will probably be on 31 or more state ballots in 1984. The American Independent Party now affiliated with the Populists, has not had this number of ballot positions in a presidential election since 1972.

In support of their candidates, the Populist delegates adopted a "Statement of Critical Issues" which sets forth the main thrust of the party in the 1984 campaign. The six issues selected include:

"1. Abolish the privately owned Federal Reserve system.

"2. Repudiate the national debt.

"3. Repeal the Federal income tax on individuals.

"4. Enact tariff laws which will rejuvenate American industry and protect the living standard of our working men and women.

"5. Restrict immigration to protect employment for American workers.

"6. Restore the America First tradition of non-involvement in foreign wars."

In addition, the Populists adopted resolutions in support of American farmers, a balanced budget, honest elections, and the Monroe Doctrine.

National Committee bylaws were adopted, providing for a board of officers with four year terms commencing in March, 1985, and representation for participating state parties in the National Committee. Following the example of the American Independent Party, the Populst bylaws recognize "the autonomy of member state parties and their right to conduct and control their own internal affairs."

Five officers were elected by unanimous vote to serve the term from August 1984 to March 1985. They include: William W. Baker of Nevada, Chairman: Jim Yarbrough of Georgia,

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vice-chairman; Don Kimball of Iowa, secretary; Emmett Miller of Alabama, Treasurer; and William K. Shearer of California, parliamentarian.

Subsequently, as permitted by the bylaws, the officers unanimously named two additional members of the executive committee: Willis A. Carto, founder of the Populist Party; and Thomas M. Goodloe, chairman of the American Independent Party's National committee.

In conjunction with the Populist convention, the American Independent Party's national executive committeee met in Nashville, and voted unanimously to: (1) suspend operation of the committee; (2) urge support of the candidates and "statement of Critical Issues" adopted by the Populist Party; and (3) make a $1,000 financial contribution to the national Populist Party. It was agreed by the A.I.P. leaders that there was no need for a separate National Committee duplicating the unified effort of the Populist Party's National Committee.

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VICE-PRESIDENT





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Former Rep. John R. Rarick of Louisana, the American Independent Party's 1980 presidential nominee, was the keynote speaker at the Nashville Populist convention. In a stirring address, Rarick emphasized that the Populists can win by stressing three major issues: money, jobs, and taxes.

The convention concluded with a "School of Politics" which included talks on "breaking the media barrier" by Vice-Presidental candidate Maureen Salaman; "student recruitment" by Victor Marchetti and Andrew Russo; an exposure of "computer vote fraud" by Kenneth and James Collier; "successful petitioning" by Trisha Katson; "party structure" by Don Kimball; "Federal election law compliance" by Fleming Lee; "the propaganda war" by Lois Peterson; "basic public relations" by Ed Shaw; and "practical public psychology" by National Committee Chairman William W. Baker.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

of the

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

of the

POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C.

November 24th & 25th, 1984

The Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States met in Washington, D. C. in the Liberty Lobby Building, 300 Independence Avenue, S. E., on Friday and Saturday, November 24th and 25th, 1984.

The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by National Chairman William W. Baker who presided. Those Present were the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, James H. Yarbrough, the Secretary, Willis A. Carto, Thomas L. Goodloe, Emmett Miller and William K. Shearer.

Others present with the sanction of the Executive Committee were John Couture, Maureen Salaman, Fred Seipold and Eileen Shearer. Present at the request of the Chairman was Matthew Balik.

Chairman Baker presented an agenda by which he suggested the Executive Committee proceed to consider the following:

1. Current Status of the Party
2. Goals of the Party
3. Necessities of the Party
4. Financial Independence of the Party
5. Results of the 1984 voting and ballot status
6. State Chairmen and State Structures
7. Planning for the March meeting
8. Agenda for the National Committee meeting

The Executive Committee proceeded to discuss the first point of the Chairman's agenda.

There was a motion by William K. Shearer to admit to full Executive Committee membership the Honorable John Couture from Wisconsin and (Mrs.) Maureen Salaman, the Party's recent Vice Presidential candidate. The motion carried 7-0.

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Discussion was held on party membership and who were the members of the party, what groups, what economic strata.

Chairman Baker reported on his interview with Braden and Buchanan on "Crossfire" and offered to show the film of it to anyone who wanted to see it during the lunchbreak. He also reported on his 'Klan-Watch' activities and suggested that "we do not have to be too defensive."

Discussion was held on the location of the National Convention for 1988, the apportionment of delegates. The Secretary reported that the party had been invited to hold its 1988 convention in Minneapolis.

It wns moved by Willis Carto and seconded by Thomas Goodloe to discuss the financial situation of the party. It was reported that between March and October of 1984 the party had received $ 235,512.03. Other receipts and disbursements were discussed for various periods of time the final totals were as follows:

Total Received for year	$ 648,833.40
Total Disbursements	621,121.37
Cash on Hand	24,712.03

Obligations over cash on hand were discussed to include out-of-pocket and other obligations; also the encumbered debt of the party. There was also debts of the Richards campaign to be considered.

Treasurer Miller reported that he had not been kept totally informed as to the status of the party's funds. It was agreed without a motion that the Treasurer be kept completely informed.

Financial obligations continued to be discussed. A figure of $ 275,073.92 was finally agreed upon as the total for which the party was obligated.

Revised obligations after additional ones were brought to light bringing the total obligations to $ 317, 390.17. It was reported that some of the obligatory debt was due the SPOTLIGHT for services rendered and the use of personal on a pro rata basis. Otherdiscussions showed obligations for the Richards campaign to be around $ 60,000 for a debt owed Park Lane Press and another $ 16,000 yet outstanding. It was also reported that Bob Richards owes the travel bill and also rental money for Dependable Mailing Lists.

The Executive Committee recessed at 10:40 and reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

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Members of the Executive Committee returned from the recess with $ 21,809.19 in additional obligations and bills due. It was discussed that most of the expenses had gone for attorney's fees and field obligations expenses. It was also reported that no substantial payments of the amount of $ 621,121.37 had gone to Liberty Lobby. At that time Chairman Baker recognized Fred Seipold to report on the legal bills. It was reported that in Alaska there was a bill for $ 654 additional and in Indiana $ 500.00 additional and another $ 225 due in New Jersey.

The conduct of John Armor was discussed.

Reports were received about Maine, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Texas. Further reports were made on the activities of Fippen and Long, attorneys and their bringing a law suit against the party for $ 3,900.

Payments were authorized to attorneys as follows:

Alaska	$ 654.00
New Jersey	975.90
Wyoming	510.00
South Dakota	25.15
Utah	900.00
Virginia	495.08
Plus $ 500 to answer a lawsuit	500.00
	$4060.13

The Executive Committee adjourned for lunch after 1:00 p.m. and reconveneed at 2:40 p.m. There was a further examination of bills which amounted to "a large total with an inability to cover outstanding obligations among which were 1. payroll, 2. functions, 3. litigation, 4. party-building and other."

Chairman Baker recognized Fleming Lee, the General Counsel, to address the Executive Committee about litigations and the F.E.C. He reported that the basic difficulty the party faced in this area was the activities of Bob Richards who recognized a committee to help him. He then gave a history of the Richards efforts and the funds raised through mailing. He reported that candidate Bob Richards had started another committee in Texas. Mr. Lee said that a candidate should have only one campaign committee and that Mr. Richards had organized one which "was improper." Attention was given to the expenses made on Richards's behalf and money given directly to him.

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Mr. Lee reported that virtually all the funds for the Richards campaign came to the original committee but that Mr. Richards disavowed the original committee itself. The F.E.C. advised Richards to merge what resulted in two campaign committees. He reported that Richards said "no compromise." Richards also reportedly complained of "no control" over the committee set up for him. He also reported that the F.E.C. reported that there were "many violations." Also, that Mr. Richards had written a letter to the F.E.C. but that the Populist Party to date had received no notice of a compaint from the F.E.C. The outcome of it all was that Bob Richards had refused to participate in the campaign and a question remained as to whether or not he must return $ 73,000 to the Populist Party.

Mr. Lee reported that the F.E.C. can bear down hard when put under pressure and that Mr. Richards may be investigated by that agency. The F.E.C., he said, has the information but no complaint has been filed. Mr. Lee advised that the Populist Party would have no obligations to Mr. Richards.

There followeddiscussion on the Richards for President campaign and that the deadline for matching funds has not necessarily passed.

Mr. Carto asked Mr. Lee if the Populist Party should sue Bob Richards personally and Mr. Lee advised that "there is no present basis for a Populist Party suit. Discussion then centered around Libertarian activities. Mr. Shearer said that we should consider costs at all time. He referred to "acrimonious philosophical discussion." Mr. Carto moved and Emmett seconded that discussion on this area be postponed until the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee.

The Executive Committee recessed at 4:20 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Committee members expressed concern over the financial situation and discussion followed on that subject. The committee agreed to go on record as accepting the figure of $ 301,887.04 as the total obligation of the party. The Maureen Salaman for Vice President Committee had outstanding credits of $ 9,500 and it was pointed out that the committee for the vice presidential nominee spent less than the amount budgeted.

It was agreed that Emmett Miller and Jim Yarbrough would meet with Blayne Hutzel on Sunday morning to go over more figures.

Mr. Shearer observed that funds will always be short and made some points regarding the party's financial situation.

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Further discussion ensured in re the party's finances and it was reported that allocating personnel costs for services rendered to the Populist Party by both Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT began June 11th. Liberty Lobby services were reported to be separate from The SPOTLIGHT and also Populist Party expenses were separate from those of Bob Richards. The cost accounting procedures would be explained by Blayne Hutzel.

Mr. Carto concluded that the selection of Bob Richards as a Presidential candidate had been a mistake and that the use of the Wendy Fairfield organization had likewise been a mistake. He reported that between the Populist Party and Bob Richards nearly $ 1,000,000 was raised.

Emmett Miller addressed the committee about the Populist Party and referred to "well-organized elements in California, Wisconsin and the South." He suggested that the party debt be liquidated by an appeal for funds from party members. Mr. Miller also discussed the need for a uniform national ballot qualification law and suggested further that the Populist Party join in such a lobbying effort in concert with other "third" parties.

Chairman Baker then guided the discussions to the establishment of a second bank account for the party and expressed his desire to bring "external funds into the party." He began discussion centering around the Secretary's refusal to arbitrarily sign bank authorization cards whereupon the Secretary referred to the Uniform Commerical Codes prevalent in most of the states and insisted likewise that Executive Committee action was necessary before any such cards were signed.

At that point Counsel Seipold backed up the Secretary's judgment and said that his action in refusing to sign the cards at Chairman Baker's request was exactly proper.

Chairman Baker alluded to the fact that only now had the Executive Committee been getting knowledge of the party's indebtedness. Mr. Shearer spoke to the legal exposure. Mr. Carto rendered his judgment that one of our goals should be to get the Populist Party out of the "SPOTLIGHT orbit."

Mr. Shearer thereupon discussed the responsibility for funds and suggested that a program of disbursements and control of funds should be a matter of procedure. He suggested that the party had obligations to meet all indebtedness and proposed:

1. The Executive Committee has to have oversight.
2. An active Treasurer with two persons signing checks.
3. A monthly report to the Treasurer.
4. The possible establishment of a sinking fund.

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5. That there be no open-ended expenditures.

The Executive Committee showed itself unanimously in agreement with Mr. Shearer's thoughts. No motions were made.

Chairman Baker offered some thoughts on his ideas for a national Populist Party headquarters, a new building. There was some little discussion and the committee adjourned for dinner.

The Committee came back into session following dinner and immediately decided to put all financial questions on hold.

Chairman Baker then called for discussion on the situations in the various states. Reports were heard on all the states from Mr. Yarbrough, Mr. Seipold and the Secretary.

Discussion was held on what the national party was going to be in 1985 and 1986. It was concluded that the party's aims for 1985 & '86 be centered around:

1. Building organizations.
2. Getting petition drives started for 1988.
3. Seeking and running good candidates, and,
4. Weeding out the "creepy crawlers."

It was added that early organizational meetings be held with subsequent meetings and that an emphasis be made to get young people into the party.

Fred Seipold discussed the state party assessment structure.

The meeting recessed at 10:40 p.m. and was scheduled to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. the next day, Sunday the 25th.

The second day of the Executive Committee meeting began at 8:05 a.m. on Sunday, November 20th all members present or appearing shortly thereafter.

Mr. Carto suggested leaving consideration of the states' situations and moving back into financial discussions and the ratio work done by Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT for the Populist Party.

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The Chair recognized committee member Tom Goodloe of California who announced that in view of the financial situation and the indebtedness of the party he felt moved to tender his resignation. He departed the meeting after his announcement and there was no time allowed for discussion of it.

Mr. Shearer spoke to the resignation of Mr. Goodloe and the duties of the Executive Committee and nominated Mr. Fred Seipold of Idaho who was present at the meeting to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Goodloe.

The nomination was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Yarbrough and carried 7-0.

Discussion then ensued in re the costs of office personnel and it was reported that in April of 1984 71% of the time and efforts of certain persons were devoted to the Populist Party; in May the figure was 57%. Mr. Carto explained the bills for advertising.

Mr. Emmett Miller addressed himself to the expenses of the Populist Party with The SPOTLIGHT and discussed "going-in expenses" and "organizational expenses." John Couture emphasized that the party has "got to move forward."

The Chair called for resumption of the discussion of the states individually and suggested that the national office direct a letter to each state chairman.

Mrs. Salaman suggested that no one be present at the meetings of the Executive Committee except resource people and only when needed. The reference was made to Mr. Balik who included himself in the meetings evidently at the sufferance of the Chair and who participated in the discussions of the committee. No motion was offered or acted upon.

It was explained that the two Populist Party telephone lines were paid for by Liberty Lobby and that The SPOTLIGHT had provided printing and other services to the party.

At 11:55 Mr. Shearer moved the Committee recess until 1:15 and it was so ordered and without objection.

The Executive Committee reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

Mr. Shearer suggested that first we must know all of the party's obligations and then spoke to putting everything in context and then proceed with formal motions. The committee seems in agreement with such a procedure.

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Discussion was held about establishing a finance committee to watch day-to-day expenses; also the establishment of a debt fund. It was suggested that a sinking fund be established and supported by assessments upon members. It was thought unlikely that such an action would prove feasible. It was suggested that there be an account known as the 'debt retirement account' and another to be the 'operating account.'

Suggestions were made for establishing spending formulae and a budget. Emmett Miller spoke about making final decisions on the party's financial situation.

Mr. Shearer offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party accept obligations of $ 264,888.80 (due Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation) as the valid and binding debt to be repaid to creditors through fund-raising campaigns to be commenced at the option of the creditors with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the Populist Party establish an operating account with the Security National Bank, Washington, D. C., which fund shall be used for day-to-day administration of the party; and,

"Resolved, that the current account at the Capitol National Bank, Washington, D. C., be used as a debt retirement account and that all expenditures other than debt retirement be approved by the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the individual members of the Executive Committee be absolved of any liability for debt; that all current bills be paid with existing monies as recommended by Mr. Miller's Expense Statement Memo as items #1 thru #24 of 21 November 1984, and, further, that items #31 and #32 and the remainder of the obligations be paid when the funds become available with the meeting of the obligations to be contingent upon each of the creditors providing each member of the Executive Committee with a written absolution of personal liability and/or obligation; and,

"Resolved, that all current bills be paid with existing funds as per the Expense Statement Memo lines 21-24 and lines 31 and 32 with the remainder of the obligations to be paid as the funds become available specifically lines 27-30, line 33, and line 35 on the aforesaid memo and on Mr. Miller's second sheet, lines 1-12.

Mr. Shearer moved the adoption of his resolution which was seconded by Mr. Couture and it was adopted 9-0.

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The Secretary prepared a proper resolution that the Chairman could use to open a bank account for the new operating account. It was read by the Secretary to the Committee and Mr. Seipold moved its adoption; seconded by Mrs. Salaman. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 9-0.

Mrs. Salaman introduced and led discussion on a "Populist Patriotic Pledge Program" calling for $ 10.00 per month from participating members. It was suggested that the program be implemented by The SPOTLIGHT and that Mrs. Salaman handle the mechanics of establishing such a program. It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Seipold that the committee give its approval to the plan. The vote was 7 with two abstentions.

The meeting was recessed by a vote of 8-0 and called back into session at 3:20 p.m. in Executive Session.

The location of the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee was discussed. The By-laws dictated that the meeting be held the second Saturday in March and that a quorum of 26 states would be required to transact business. The plan for proxies was discussed.

It was moved by Mr. Carto and seconded by Mr. Miller that the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee be held in Nashville, Tennessee. There was some discussion to include comments upon the treatment of the Populist Party by the Nashville press. The motion was withdrawn.

The meeting date was mandated to be March 9th, 1985, and it was moved by Mr. Couture and seconded by Mr. Shearer that the meeting be held in Chicago, Illinois. The motion was adopted 8-0 and the Secretary was directed to move forward securing people in the Chicago area to make further arrangements for the said meeting of the National Committee.

Vice Chairman Yarbrough presided in the absence of Chairman Baker. The Secretary offered a resoluvtion as follows:

> "Resolved that at all subsquent meetings of the Executive Committee that no person shall sit in on the meetings except members of the Executive Committee and any necessary staff or resource personnel and only at the specific request of the Committee with such staff or resource personnel remaining present only during the necessity of their presence."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his resolution and it was seconded by Mrs. Salaman and adopted 8-0.

The Secretary offered another resolution as follows:

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"Resolved, that Mrs. Eileen Shearer be made an Ex Officio member of the Executive Committee with all the privileges of regular membership except the voting privilege, to include participation in discussion and with a perpetual invitation to attend any meetings of that body."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his motion and it was seconded by Mr. Couture and was adopted 8-0.

Discussion reverted to the March meeting of the National Committee and March 9th was mandated upon a motion adopted 8-0 by Mr. Couture and second by Mr. Shearer directing that the national office send forth the official call and that notice be not less than 30 days before the meeting, and that a statement of assessment be included.

The 1988 Populist National Convention was considered again and the Secretary reiterated the invitation by the Populists of Minnesota to have the convention in the Minneapolis and/or St. Paul, MN, area. No action was taken at this early date.

There was discussion on future programs and objectives. It was approved that there be a distribution of the By-Laws.

The Executive Committee then returned to discussion of the finances. An austerity program would have to be adhered to for the ensuing months, it was agreed. Until March, the committee concluded, there would have to be a "caretaker condition," in the words of Mr. Shearer. The committee dealt with projected necessary expenses such as office, phone and necessary salaries.

The idea of a separate national office as offered for consideration by the Chair was dispensed with and a more realistic approach considered. The Secretary suggested that survival is the first law of nature. Mr. Carto suggested that the 546-5530 number for the Populist Party be retained and offered the gratis services of (Mrs.) Lois Petersen to answer the calls and refer them to coordinators around the nation. That way there would be maintained a national number which would have the unifying effect of a national office.

The Executive Committee unanimously agreed upon the following procedure for a "caretaker situation:"

1. Keep the national office technically in the Liberty Building and accept the offer of Mr. Carto for answering and coordination communication by Mrs. Petersen.

2. Divide the nation into three areas, the eastern, the central and the western, retaining three area coordinating chairmen, and,

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3. That the area coordinating chairman be paid $ 1,000 per month and allowed expenses up to $ 500.

It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Carto that the foregoing conditions acquiesced in by the committe be put into a formal motion and it was adopted 8-0 with the further stipulation that all such payments be made with the approval of the major creditor.

The Secretary then offered the suggestion that if the coordinating chairmen who carried the brunt of the party's work were to be reduced by 1/3rd in their salaries that it seemed logical that the National Chairman be also cut. He put it into the form of a motion which was seconded by Mr. Yarbrough. The motion passed 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining. According to the motion the Chairman would be paid$ 2,000 per month and allowed $ 500 in expenses and further that the Chairman's salary and expenses were ordered to be paid from and out of the independent operating account for which he would henceforth raise his suggested "external funds" and over which he would have control with checks to be signed by himself and the comptroller, Mr. Hutzel.

Mr. Shearer then offered a similar motion stating that "the foregoing motion further constitutes notice to all now in the employ of the party that this is a three-month deal subject to action by the National Executive Committee and ending March 9th and contingent upon the ability to pay future salaries."

The Shearer motion was seconded by Mr. Couture and adopted by a vote of 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining.

There was a motion by Mr. Shearer that the assessments by the national party upon the states (for 1/3d of a year) and the registration fees for the National Committee meeting in March be deposited in the operating account; it was seconded by Mr. Couture and passed 9-0.

The committee then went to discussion of Emmett Miller's idea for a national uniform ballot-qualifcation law. He suggested that such an effort could be coordinated by the Council of State Governments and with Washington State Sen. Jack Metcalf. After discussion the motion was withdrawn temporarily.

The committee then considered a motion by Mr. Carto, seconded by Mr. Shearer that"any majority of the members of the Executive Committee may convene the Executive Committee, with proper notice being given." It was adopted 9-0.

The Chair then recognized Mr. Carto who led a discussion of various groups who should be courted for their potential interest in and possible support of the Populist Party.

The committee recessed for dinner at 7:15 p.m.

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The committee reconvened at 9:20 p.m. with the Vice Chairman presiding, the Chairman having had to leave to appear on a radio talk show.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough called the meeting to order and discussion returned to the Miller Resolution for a national uniform ballot access law and Mr. Miller offered the following resolution:

> "Resolved, that the Executive Committee authorize the drafting of a Uniform Political Party Ballot Qualification Law for adoption by the various states of the Union in cooperation with other political parties in lobbying efforts, such proposed law to have targeted requirements of certification of national candidates by a national convention attended by delegates from at least one-half (1/2) the states and by petition in statewide situations of 500 qualified electors distributed by congressional districts.

Mr. Miller then spoke to his motion. Mr. Shearer suggested the motion be amended to include that the proposed law be drafted by Mr. Miller and suggested the assistance of Mr. Richard Winger of San Francisco, California, and further suggested that the motion "not be eroded with other ideas." The amendments were so stipulated and Mr. Miller moved its final adoption with the second by Mr. Shearer and it passed 8-0.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough then recognized Mr. Couture who spoke to the necessity of having an organized basis for starting the party's work. He explained his six-tier program which was/is a proposed program for large party membership and leadership expansion. The committee was very receptive to Mr. Couture's remarks and agreed it was needed to improve the membership numbers and the organization andactivities of the Populist Party.

Other short discussions were held and after 11:00 p.m. the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn and to reconvene on March 9th or 10th in Chicago, Ills., 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald L. Kimball

DONALD L. KIMBALL
National Secretary

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If your Country has a future as an independent nation, that future is Populist . . .



From the desk of
JOHN R. RARICK

BUT, if America is to be submerged into an international swamp, with our precious, blood-bought Constitution canceled by a world economic-political government, the Republican Party and the Democratic Party will be GUILTY of that crime.

Both major parties strongly support internationalism. "America First" is now virtually a dirty name to leaders of the "two" parties.

Now I have been a Democrat all my political life. I served in the House of Representatives for eight years from the Sixth District of Louisiana and before that five years as an elected state judge.

As a Democrat I did all I could to work for Constitutional principles and for American sovereignty.

My record shows it. I am very proud of that record.

Unfortunately, I learned the hard way that as a member of either party you must either "play ball" with the powers that be . . . or else.

The Democrats took away my seniority in 1969, making me a "freshman" in the committees I served. They did this because I persisted in voting and acting according to my conscience instead of the party line.

I was punished for political heresy. For standing up for America.

WHY I AM NOT A REPUBLICAN

Do I hear you ask me, "Then why don't you join the Republican Party?" If that is your question, let me give you only two (out of many) very recent reasons why I'm not joining the Republicans.

Do you remember what Bob Dole--the Republican leader of the Senate and one of the most powerful Republicans in America--had to say right after the Republican Platform Committee brought in their report during the GOP convention in Dallas, last year?

If you watched television, you will recall that a large group of patriotic, mainstream Americans had worked long and hard to hammer out a platform. Since they pretty much represented the Republican grassroots, it was conservative, reflecting the party membership, not David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations or the Trilateral Commission.

Dole was asked by a liberal reporter how long it would take the Republican leadership to forget about the platform.

"About as long as it takes to pack our bags," he sneered.

If that doesn't make you see red, what will?

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It beats me how any self-respecting American can support the Republican Party after Dole's contemptuous comment.

Dole, remember, is one of the most powerful men in Washington. He is a vigorous proponent of higher taxes. For YOU. Even as thousands of farmers in his state--Kansas--are going bankrupt, thanks to the Republican free trade and high-interest banker-dictated policies he promotes, Dole demands higher taxes to pay for increased foreign aid and the interest on the so-called "national debt."

(As you know, the "national debt" has been created by bankers literally out of nothing. But you are forced to pay exorbitant interest on it out of your earnings. You should read Don Kimball's new book on this subject.)

Because the newspapers in Kansas are controlled by the banks and the liberals, the voters in that state aren't told the truth about Dole. They think he is "conservative"!

THE GREAT "CONSERVATIVE" FLIM-FLAM

The horrifying fact is that, under a "conservative" banker-controlled president, the Republican Party is dropping all pretense that it is nationalistic and in tune with the Republican mainstream. Just the other day, 35 "conservative" Republican congressmen signed an inflammatory letter to the ambassador from South Africa which could well have been written in Moscow. Joining the most liberal of the Democrats, like Rep. Steven Solarz and Sen. Teddy Kennedy, they threatened dire consequences unless that country immediately does away with apartheid.

One of the signers, Vin Weber, of Minnesota, later explained. Writing in the liberal Washington Post, he said: "WE MUST ESTABLISH THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AS AMERICA'S NEW INTERNATIONALIST PARTY."

Weber said that many Republicans might think this is "treason."

You can forget about the Republicans as you can forget about the Democrats. Both are totally controlled puppets of the internationalists.

I AM A POPULIST

Like so many thousands of former Republicans and Democrats who put their country ahead of their traditional party loyalty, I am now a proud member of the Populist Party.

It took the rebirth of the one and only party which has always stood for American principles to make me realize that I have been a populist all my life.

> I HAVE ALWAYS REVERED THE CONSTITUTION. I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AN AMERICAN FIRST. I HAVE ALWAYS OPPOSED COMMUNISM AND SOCIALISM. I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE SHOULD BE SERVED AHEAD OF THE BANKS AND THE MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND THE LISPING "INTELLECTUALS."

And I plan to devote all of the time and money I can spare from now on supporting and helping to build the Populist Party.

(Have you noticed many politicians suddenly calling themselves "populist" since our party has re-appeared? Don't let them fool you. Only one party stands for the Jeffersonian principles of populism.)

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A POLITICAL MIRACLE

Last year you and I witnessed one of the great political miracles of our time. Almost entirely unnoticed by the press, the Populist Party was reborn and, in a mere eight months, had become an organized and permanent presence on the American scene.

Starting its organizing in March, the party had its first convention since 1896 in September. It nominated candidates and--considering the limited time and funds at its disposal--did far better than any other "third" party, including some which have been active for many years and spent millions.

I'll include a reprint of an article which appeared in The SPOTLIGHT giving the incredible vote. This is an astounding performance. This is the most encouraging thing to happen in years.

Starting to organize in March, the party held its first national convention since 1896 in September and nominated two outstanding candidates for president and vice-president. By October party organizations were functioning in 49 states and the party was on the ballot in 14.

On election day the party received almost as many votes as other "third" parties which have been active for years, and which raised millions of dollars.

This is an astounding record for a fledgling party. I'll enclose reprints from The SPOTLIGHT which detail this historic achievement.

I don't know about you, but to me, this is the most encouraging thing to happen in years! All is NOT lost. We have built a solid foundation for a major new party. Now we must go forward and build that party. We need three things: ORGANIZATION, LEADERSHIP, and FUNDING.

ORGANIZATION

Although the future of the Populist Party is very bright, there are also immediate and pressing problems. There is no time to lose.

Enormous strides have been made setting up state committees and gaining ballot position. Now we must begin the task of organizing the party down to the local level. We have to set up party committees in every county, every precinct.

WE MUST BEGIN NOW. WE CANNOT WAIT. WE MUST PREPARE TO RUN CANDIDATES FOR LOCAL, STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES NEXT YEAR--1986. AND THERE WILL BE A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN 1988!

LEADERSHIP

Leadership is another pressing and urgent need. We need hard workers and leaders. We need candidates. We need fundraisers. We need to get more young people involved. So please get in touch with your chairman of the party in your state if you haven't already. GET ACTIVE WITH YOUR POPULIST PARTY!

FUNDING

This brings me to our greatest weakness, our lack of funds. Our potential is almost unlimited but our means available are pathetic. But this is natural. The strength of populism is also its weakness. Populism stands for the people but in politics today the money comes from the special interests. Obviously,

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David Rockefeller and his Big Buck Banking Cabal are not standing in the background with their checkbooks. Their money is for the Republicrats and the smaller parties which promote their interests, such as free trade and higher taxes. They will do all they can to frustrate us.

The money to support populism must come from the people it benefits, not the special interests.

That's why we need your help desperately if the Populist Party is to grow --if it is to survive. We must pay off the party debt (almost $200,000) and move forward.

In addition to paying off the debt we need at least a million dollars to finance our activities this year of 1986--this critical year when there is so much to be done!

The Populist Party offers Hope. It may be the last chance you and I have to save America--to painfully pull it back from the brink of the final plunge into the fetid swamp of national destruction. The internationalists --who are very near to dissolving our national independence and our Constitution in a capitalist/Marxist world economic union--must be stopped before it is too late!

AND IT IS NEARLY TOO LATE!

This is why I appeal to you to meet this challenge the only way it can be met--with a new party--the Populist Party.

PLEASE help in every way you can. Otherwise, George Orwell's "1984" will be delayed no longer.

Yours, for the Constitution

JOHN R. RARICK

P.S. I almost forgot. Don Kimball, our Central States Coordinator and secretary of our Executive Committee, has just written a truly great book, The Money and the Power. You must have this 160-page book; it is truly outstanding. I've never read any book which explains the historic money question so well, so clearly, so persuasively. It is truly a superb primer, perfect to give to someone who doesn't understand the total fraud of our dishonest money system. If you contribute $20 or more I will send you a free copy of this $6 book.

Contribute to the party and get up to a $50 tax credit on your 1985 return — $100 for a joint return!

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POPULISM—

the Wave of the Future.

☐ Please send me further information about the Populist Party.

☐ Yes, I want to become a supporting member of the Populist Party National Committee. I'm enclosing $15 in annual dues.

☐ I wish to contribute to the Populist Party's national campaign fund. I am enclosing $_____.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

_____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Send to:
POPULIST PARTY NATIONAL COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 76737
Washington, D.C. 20013
Telephone: (202) 546-5530

The Populist Party platform is based on the simple premise:

Power to the People—
Not to the Special Interests

The Populist Party Places AMERICA First

The principles of Populism are as fresh today as they were when America's first populist, Thomas Jefferson, penned the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

The new Populist Party was established in Washington, D.C. on February 29, 1984 and is organized in every state. In the recent presidential election the party's candidates for president and vice president were on the ballot in 14 states. By 1988 the party expects to have ballot status in every state.

If you want to help the Populist Party in this state contact:

local Populist Party units may put their own address here.

Are YOU a Populist?

Check your positions on the issues against those of the various political parties as listed on the chart inside and see where you stand.

Are you a Populist?

Find out.

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WHERE DO *YOU* STAND ON THE ISSUES?

MAJOR ISSUE	COMMUNIST PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	REPUBLICAN PARTY	POPULIST PARTY	YOUR POSITION
REPEAL THE FEDERAL INCOME TAX on the wages of the working middle class, which currently bears most of the tax burden.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT AMERICAN JOBS AND INDUSTRY from foreign competition. Institute fair tariff laws to equalize production costs at the water's edge. Promote domestic enterprise. Restrict immigration to protect employment for American workers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP INFLATION, BRING DOWN INTEREST RATES, AND PREVENT NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY by abolishing the private banking monopoly known as the Federal Reserve System which maintains a profitable deadlock on our economy at the expense of America's workers, farmers and small businessmen.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE. Establish a military which is second-to-none. Cease shipments of advanced technology and military equipment to enemy nations. Defend America, not the world.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT THE RIGHT OF LAW-ABIDING HOMEOWNERS AND SPORTSMEN to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Constitution.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REVITALIZE THE FAMILY FARM. Establish an immediate moratorium on all foreclosures against farmers, homeowners, and small businessmen. Provide parity for family farmers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP MEDDLING IN FOREIGN WARS. Restore America's traditional non-interventionist foreign policy as laid down by President George Washington. Stop sacrificing American boys in wars fought to benefit the special interests.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REINVIGORATE THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRINCIPLE: "Equal Rights for All; Special Privileges for None." End all forced racial busing, quotas and affirmative action programs.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE FREEDOM OF CHOICE in health care and education. End government restrictions which interfere with medical freedom and the right of parents and local school districts to guide their children's education.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REPUDIATE THE NATIONAL DEBT except that held by lenders who have invested their earned money in government securities. This will cut the artificially inflated debt and interest by at least one-half.	NO	NO	NO	YES	

ARE YOU A *POPULIST*?

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The National Committee of the Populist Party, composed of the official delegates from all states having a recognized Populist Party, will be held according to the bylaws.

The meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph St., Chicago. Reservations are available at a special rate to Populist Party members. Dial 800-643-1500.

All Populist Party supporting members are cordially invited to attend.

Registration will begin at noon, Friday, March 8. Business meeting will convene at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 9. A Populist Rally will begin immediately after the business meeting. Following a social event Saturday evening will be a Gala Banquet.

Sunday will feature a very important School of Politics. Experts in the fields of state organization, selection of candidates, ballot qualification, petitioning, use of issues, getting out the vote, etc. will speak and answer questions. The period will include panel discussions, questions and answers and confrontational situations.

Most events will be open to Supporting Members without charge. An appropriate charge will be made for the Populist Rally and Gala Banquet.

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I ALSO WANT TO HELP THE PARTY PASS THE WORD . . .

☐ I WANT TO PURCHASE:

_____ copies of the brochure Are YOU a Populist? (100 for $5; 200 or more, 4¢ each) ..... $_____

_____ copies of the Official Platform of the Populist Party (100 for $5; 200 or more, 4¢ each) ..... $_____

_____ Official Populist Party lapel pin(s) ($5 each) ..... $_____

_____ Populist Party bumper sticker(s) ..... $_____

_____ Abolish I.R.S. bumper sticker(s) ..... $_____

_____ Populist Party button(s) ..... $_____

(All bumper stickers and buttons are $1 each. If you order a dozen or more of a particular item, the price is 35¢ each.)

D.C. residents add 6% sales tax. GRAND TOTAL $_____

(Return this card with your order and contribution.) S-2

POPULIST PARTY CONTRIBUTION CARD FOR AMERICA FIRST



YES JUDGE RARICK,

I fully support the POPULIST PARTY. You can count on me to help in this crucial fight for America's survival as a free and independent nation. Please send me a 1985 Supporting Membership card for a minimum donation of $15. And if my contribution is $20 or more, also send me a FREE copy of Don Kimball's book, The Power and the Money. I enclose:

☐$15 ☐$25 ☐$50 ☐$100 ☐$_____Other

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NOTE: Your contribution up to $50 is fully deductible dollar-for-dollar as a tax credit against your 1985 income tax. If you file jointly, you may deduct $100 from the tax you would ordinarily pay. Make check or money order out to POPULIST PARTY and mail to P.O. Box 76737, Washington, D.C. 20013.

(See reverse side to order POPULIST PARTY items.)

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POPULIST PARTY
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January 28, 1985

To: All Members of the National Committee, Populist Party

From: National Executive Committee

Subject: CALL OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 9-10, 1985 IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

This letter will serve as your official notice of the meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party to be held Saturday and Sunday, March 9-10, 1985, in Chicago, Illinois. You, and all supporting members of the Populist Party, are cordially invited to attend.

All sessions of the National Committee Meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, 171 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601. Each party member is responsible for making his or her own room reservations and a handy registration card is enclosed for this purpose. Room rates are: $35 for singles; $45 for doubles; and suites are available at special rates. Room reservations may also be made by calling the Bismarck's toll free number: 1-800-643-1500. If your reservation is made by telephone, be sure and inform the hotel that you are with the Populist Party, so that you will qualify for the special room rates quoted above.

Transportation to the hotel is available from Chicago's O'Hare Airport by airport bus at a price of $6.75 one way.

Individual registration fee for the meeting will be $55, payable to the Populist Party. This fee includes National Committee supporting membership for 1985 ($15), ticket to the gala banquet which will be held on Saturday evening, March 9, 1985, and admission to all of the meetings of the National Committee and its sub-committees. This registration fee should be mailed to:

Fred Seipold, Credentials Chairman
P.O. Box 7173
Boise, Idaho 83707

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For further information about meeting arrangements, you are invited to contact Mr. Seipold at 208-336-4335 (office), or 208-343-5049 (residence); or Eileen M. Shearer, National Arrangements Chairman, 619-460-4484.

The Chicago gathering will be the first meeting of the National Committee since the party was formally organized at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee in August, 1984.

Principal business of the meeting will be the election of the party's national officers for the 1985-89 term. Officers to be elected include the National Chairman, National Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian.

In addition to the election of officers, the National Committee will formulate policies for the future growth and development of the Populist Party. Among the topics to be considered are:

1. Organizational structure during the next 4 years;

2. Participation of the party in State and Congressional elections in 1986;

3. Party finances;

4. Campaign techniques and practical applications; and

5. Suggestions by National Committee members with regard to the platform of the Populist Party.

The subject of the platform has attracted much interest among party members. While the bylaws provide that the National Convention, not the National Committee, shall adopt the platform, the National Committee can receive input from the party's membership on this subject. Consequently, it is the intention of the National Committee to establish a sub-committee to hold hearings and take testimony on the platform for purposes of making recommendations to the 1988 National Convention. The first of these platform hearings will be held in conjunction with the Chicago National Committee Meeting. Party members who have platform suggestions are invited to present their views at the hearing.

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Featured speakers at the National Committee's Saturday evening Banquet will be:

- Honorable John R. Rarick of Lousiana, former member of Congress, keynote speaker at the Populist Party's 1984 National Convention, and the American Independent Party's Presidential Nominee in 1980. Rarick is widely recognized for his courageous advocacy of constitutional government and patriotic causes.

- Maureen Kennedy Salaman, the Populist Party's dynamic 1984 Vice-Presidential nominee. Mrs. Salaman, one of the Nation's outstanding speakers, is President of the National Health Federation, is the star of several radio talk shows, and is a nationally recognized author of books on nutrition and freedom of choice in health care.

In addition to addresses by John Rarick and Maureen Salaman, there will be reports by party officers and executive committee members on all aspects of party affairs.

Voting representation at the National Committee meeting will be in accord with the formula for such representation set forth in the Party's National Bylaws. Section II of the Bylaws states in pertinent part:

"Membership in the Populist Party is limited to one political party organization recognized by the National Committee from each State, the District of Columbia, and any other areas specified by the National Committee.

"Representation on the National Committee shall be determined as follows:

"(1) When a member state political party is qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, the state party is entitled to three representatives plus one additional respresentative for each five electoral votes of the subject State or major faction thereof.

(2) When a member state political party was qualified in the most recent general election to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the ballot, but is not so qualified for the next general election ballot, the state organization is entitled to three representatives.

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(3) When a member political organization is not qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, and it was not so qualified in the immediately preceding general election, the state organization is entitled to two representatives."

Under this formula the States will be entitled to the following number of votes in the National Committee meeting: California, 12; Kansas, 4; Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, 3 each; all other states and the District of Columbia, 2 each.

The Bylaws further provide that:

"No State political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessments as established by the National Committee."

Section VII of the Bylaws provides that each member State party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of $20 every 4 months for each voting representative to the National Committee. Two such payments will be due at the National Committee meeting (one for the August-December 1984 period, and one for the January-April 1985 period). Thus, in order to vote in the meeting, a State with two voting members will be required to pay an assessment of $80; a State with three voting representatives will be required to pay an assessment of $120; a State with four voting representatives will be required to pay an assessment of $160; and a State with 12 voting members will be required to pay an assessment of $480. These assessments are in addition to the meeting's registration fee. The National Committee will strictly enforce the rule requiring state parties to be current in their assessments to the National Committee as a condition to voting in the Chicago meeting.

Under the Bylaws of the Populist Party, proxy voting in the National Committee meetings is permitted. However, the Bylaws state that:

"A representative may vote by proxy but no person may cast more than one vote."

This provision insures maximum individual participation in the National Committee meetings and precludes any individual from attempting to control a meeting through accumulating numerous proxies made out to a single individual.

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A proxy form, for your use, is included with this official notice of the National Committee meeting.

The importance of the Chicago meeting can not be overemphasized. You will not want to miss this historic event.

Please mail your registration immediately upon receipt of this notice.

We look forward to seeing you in Chicago on March 9-10, 1985.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

by:
Jim Yarborough
Vice-Chairman

by:
Donald L. Kimball
Secretary

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PROXY FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING

OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE POPULIST PARTY,

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS,

MARCH 9-10, 1985.

I, _____, a duly qualified member of the National Committee representing the State of _____, do hereby designate _____ whose Post Office address is _____,
(Address, City, State, Zip Code)
as my proxy, with full power to vote and act for me in every respect as a duly-qualified member of the National Committee of the Populist Party, meeting in Chicago, Illinois on the 9th and 10th days of March, 1985.

Executed this _____ day of _____, 1985 at _____
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(City & State)

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Member, National Committee, Populist Party

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YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE IMPORTANT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE POPULIST PARTY

IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

MARCH 9-10, 1985

Meeting Place: Bismarck Hotel
171 West Randolph Street
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Meeting Times: Sessions begin at, 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9, and throughout the day. At 7:30 p.m., there will be a gala banquet. Principal speakers at the banquet will be honorable John R. Rarick of Louisiana, 1980 Presidential candidate of the American Independent Party, and Maureen Kennedy Salaman, 1984 Vice Presidential nominee of the Populist Party. The National Committee will reconvene at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10, and will continue its meeting until its business is completed.

Registration Fee: Registration fee of $55 includes National Committee supporting membership ($15), ticket to the gala banquet, and entry to all meetings of the National Committee and its sub-committees.

Hotel Reservations: You must make your own hotel reservations. Send in the registration card which accompanies this announcement, or call the Bismarck Hotel at 1-800-643-1500. If you make your reservations by telephone, be sure and inform the hotel that you are with the Populist Party.

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MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

(1) Yes, I plan to attend the Chicago National Committee meeting of the Populist Party.

Enclosed find $_____ for ____ registrations at $55 per registration ($40 if paid up supporting member for 1985).

(2) I will be unable to attend the Chicago meeting, but I want to contribute toward the outstanding party building work of the National Committee.

Enclosed find my contribution of ( ) $100, ( ) $50, ( ) $25, other _____.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

Make all checks payable to the Populist Party
Mail your check and registration form to:

Fred Seipold, Credentials Chairman
POPULIST PARTY
P.O. Box 7173
Boise, Idaho 83707

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January 28, 1985

To: All State Parties and Members of the National Committee

From: National Executive Committee

Subject: ASSESSMENTS

This letter will constitute notice that your State Party's assessments to the National Committee for the last four months of 1984 and the first four months of 1985 are now due. These assesements must be paid in order for your State Party representatives to vote in the National Committee meeting to be held in Chicago, Illinois on March 9-10, 1985.

Section II of the Populist Party's National Bylaws states:

"No State political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessements as established by the National Committee."

Article VII of the Bylaws provides that each member State party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of $20 every 4 months for each of the State Party's voting representatives in the National Committee.

Section II of the Bylaws sets forth the formula under which representation in the National Committee is determined.

Under this formula, California has 12 votes in the National Committee; thus its assessments, now due, total $480. Kansas has 4 votes in the National Committee; thus its assessments, now due, total $160. The States of Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin each have 3 votes in the National Committee, thus each of these States now has assessments due in the amount of $120.

All other state parties have 2 votes in the National Committee; thus each of these States now has assessments due in the amount of $80.

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The check for your State's assessments should be made payable to the Populist Party, and transmitted to:

Fred Seipold, Credentials Chairman
National Committee, Populist Party
P.O. Box 7173
Boise, Idaho 83707

These assessments must be paid before your States' representatives will be permitted to vote in the National Committee meeting. If you have questions with regard to your assessments, you may contact Mr. Seipold by telephone at 208-336-4335 (office) or 208-343-5049 (residence).

Thank you for your support of the National Committee.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

by: Jim Yarborough
Jim Yarborough
Vice-Chairman

by: Donald L. Kimball
Donald L. Kimball
Secretary

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POPULIST PARTY
BISMARCK HOTEL CHICAGO, ILL. NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING
Saturday, March 9, 1985

7:30 a.m. Registration opens, Lobby
YARBROUGH:
9:00 Invocation. Darlene Sartori
Pledge of Allegiance. Col. Tom McCrary
Appointment of Sargeants-at-Arms (Grayshaw, Egan)
9:15 Introduction of Dr. John Roche (Chmn., Taxpayers' Party)
ROCHE. Welcome to Illinois

9:30 YARBROUGH. Introduce Keynote speaker, Wm. K. Shearer
SHEARER. Keynote

10:10 YARBROUGH. Appointment of Committees
Credentials Committee. Fred Seipold
Nominations Committee. Ed Kaiser
Resolutions Committee. Joe Birkenstock
Platform Committee. Don Kimball
Agriculture Committee. Bruce Rutan

10:25 YARBROUGH. Reports of area coordinators
YARBROUGH (15 min.)
SEIPOLD (10 min.)
KIMBALL (15 min.)

11:00 National news conference, SHEARAR
Farmers our guests. RUTAN

12:00 noon Recess
Committee meetings Credentials
Nominations
Resolutions
Agriculture

2:30 p.m. YARBROUGH. National Committee reconvenes
Special presentation (Moment of silence for unborn)

2:35 YARBROUGH. Introduce John Couture
COUTURE. Organization for Victory Plan. Six Tiers, Six Months.

3:05 YARBROUGH introduce Willis Carto.
CARTO. Financial report.

3:25 YARBROUGH introduce Fred Seipold
SEIPOLD. Report of Credentials Committee
3:35 YARBROUGH. Introduce Ed Kaiser
KAISER. Report of Nominations Committee.

3:45 YARBROUGH. Election of officers.

4:05 YARBROUGH. Introduction of new chairman. Acceptence and response by new chairman.

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POPULIST PARTY Program Saturday, March 9, 1985 Continued

4:25 p.m. Recess

4:30-6:30 Platform Committee

7:00 Friendship hour

8:00 Banquet, Pavillion Room. New Chairman presiding.
Invocation
JOHN RARICK
MAUREEN SALAMAN

Sunday, March 10, 1985

8:00 a.m. WALNUT ROOM Prayer meeting.

9:00 National Committee reconvenes.
CHAIRMAN.
Pledge of Allegiance, GARY NUNES

9:05 DR. FLOYD PARKER, Medical Care for the Elderly

9:20 CHAIRMAN introduces party candidates for 1986

9:30 SHEARER. School of Politics. Panel discussion
A. State organization & structure
Organization for Victory Plan (SHEARER, YARBROUGH)
B. Fundraising (CARTO, SALAMAN,
C. News media (KIMBALL, N.SHEARER)
D. Ballot Qualification (SEIFOLD, YARBROUGH, E.SHEARER)
E. Candidates & Candidate selection (RARICK, W.SHEARER)
Issues & Issue selection

12:00 noon Agriculture Committee report RUTAN

12:20 Resolutions Committee Report BIRKENSTOCK

12:40 CHAIRMAN. Closing remarks

1:00 p.m. Benediction

1:15 State party caucuses

2:30 Executive Committee

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FRED SEIPOLD ELECTED POPULIST PARTY NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

Fred Seipold of Boise, Idaho, was elected national chairman of the Populist Party at the first meeting of the party's National Committee in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985.

Formally organized at a convention in Nashville, Tennessee in August, 1984, the Populist party then elected a temporary slate of officers to serve until the March 1985 meeting in Chicago when officers were elected for a full, four-year term.



Fred Seipold

Elected in Chicago to serve with Seipold were: Jim Yarbrough of Gainesville, Georgia, vice chairman; Donald L. Kimball of Fayette, Iowa, secretary; Faye Miller of Dauphin Island, Alabama, treasurer; and William K. Shearer of Lemon Grove, California, parliamentarian.

Yarbrough, Kimball, and Shearer were re-elected at Chicago, having been among the original officers selected at Nashville. Mrs. Miller, an accountant, succeeds her late husband, Emmett E. Miller, as treasurer. He was elected in Nashville, but died in January, during his term in office.

Seipold, an attorney in private practice in Boise, Idaho, has served as a member of the Populist Party's national executive committee and as Western States Coordinator since November, 1984. During the presidential campaign, he supervised the litigation portion of the party's ballot access effort, and was the attorney who won the case in the Ninth Circuit Court of appeal which placed the Populist Party on the Idaho ballot.

Born in San Francisco, Seipold was reared in the Pacific Northwest. He received a B.S. degree in English and an M.S. degree in Administration at the University of Idaho, followed by a law degree (Juris Doctor) at Gonzaga School of Law, Spokane, Washington.

Prior to attending law school, Seipold spent five years in education as a teacher, coach, and high school principal.

Now 38, Seipold has had a lifelong interest in populist politics. In 1968, he supported Governor George Wallace of Alabama for the presidency.

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John Couture



Maureen Salaman



John R. Rarick

Seipold is married, and his wife, Doris is an active supporter of his political endeavors.

Named at Chicago to serve with the officers on the Populist national executive committee were John Couture of Hales Corner, Wisconsin, articulate, long-time populist activist; Maureen Kennedy Salaman of San Francisco, California, president of the National Health Federation and the Populist Party's 1984 Vice-Presidential nominee; and Rolland Victor of Wayne, Nebraska, who was named vice-chairman for agriculture.

Former Rep. John R. Rarick of Louisiana, and Eileen M. Shearer, chairman of the California American Independent Party, were elected by the executive committee to serve as ex-officio members.

Host for the National Committee meeting in Chicago was the Taxpayer's Party of Illinois, whose chairman, Dr. John Roche, welcomed the committee members at the opening session.

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Keynote speaker was William K. Shearer who devoted much of his address to the current plight of American agriculture. He was highly critical of President Reagan's veto of legislation providing debt relief for farmers.

"The Populist Party is strongly in favor of a moratorium on farm foreclosures," Shearer said, "and recognizes that government has the power to reduce interest rates for farm and other borrowers.

"In 1950," he said, "farm income was $19 billion, and farm debt only $12.5 billion. In 1983, in terms of constant dollars, farm income had fallen to $5.4 billion while farm debt had risen to over $216 billion.

"During the last four years, equity in agricultural land has fallen $150 billion. The number of farms is declining as family farmers are forced out, while the size of farms increases as giant corporations take over more and more of agriculture. Family farmers are now forced to make 62 percent of their income away from the farm," he said. "These trends must be reversed."

Shearer said that the Populist Party supports the principle of "full parity" for farmers, and that "the specific manner in which this policy is implemented should be recommended by the farmers themselves, not foisted on the farmers by the politicians."

On behalf of the Populist Party, Shearer invited representatives of all farm organizations to sit down with the party's leadership to inform us of the provisions farmers want in a parity bill. The Populist Party will then join in leading the fight for legislation which will really resolve the farm crisis on terms satisfactory to the farmers."

A number of working committees functioned at the National Committee meeting. These included credentials, chaired by Seipold; nominations, chaired by Dr. Edmon V. Kaiser of California; resolutions, chaired by Joseph Birkenstock, chairman of the Wisconsin Constitutional Party; and agriculture, chaired by farmers Rolland Victor of Nebraska and Bruce Rhutan of Michigan.

A committee to make recommendations on the platform was chaired by Kimball. The committee began the process of taking testimony on the various subjects included in, or to be considered for the 1988 platform.

Resolutions approved by the National Committee:

- Authorized the executive committee to establish a close working relationship with farm organizations in order to build the party and to promote the cause of America's farmers;

- Endorsed the pro-life position on abortion; and

- Affirmed the Populist Party's recognition of the Republic of South Africa as an anti-communist country with which the United States should maintain friendly economic and political ties.

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The National Committee adopted an organizational program prepared by Executive Committee member John Couture known as the "six-tier, six-month" plan. The plan describes in detail an organizing procedure whereby a state party can organize from the top to the precinct level in six months time. The National Committee intends to implement the plan in a number of states in 1985.

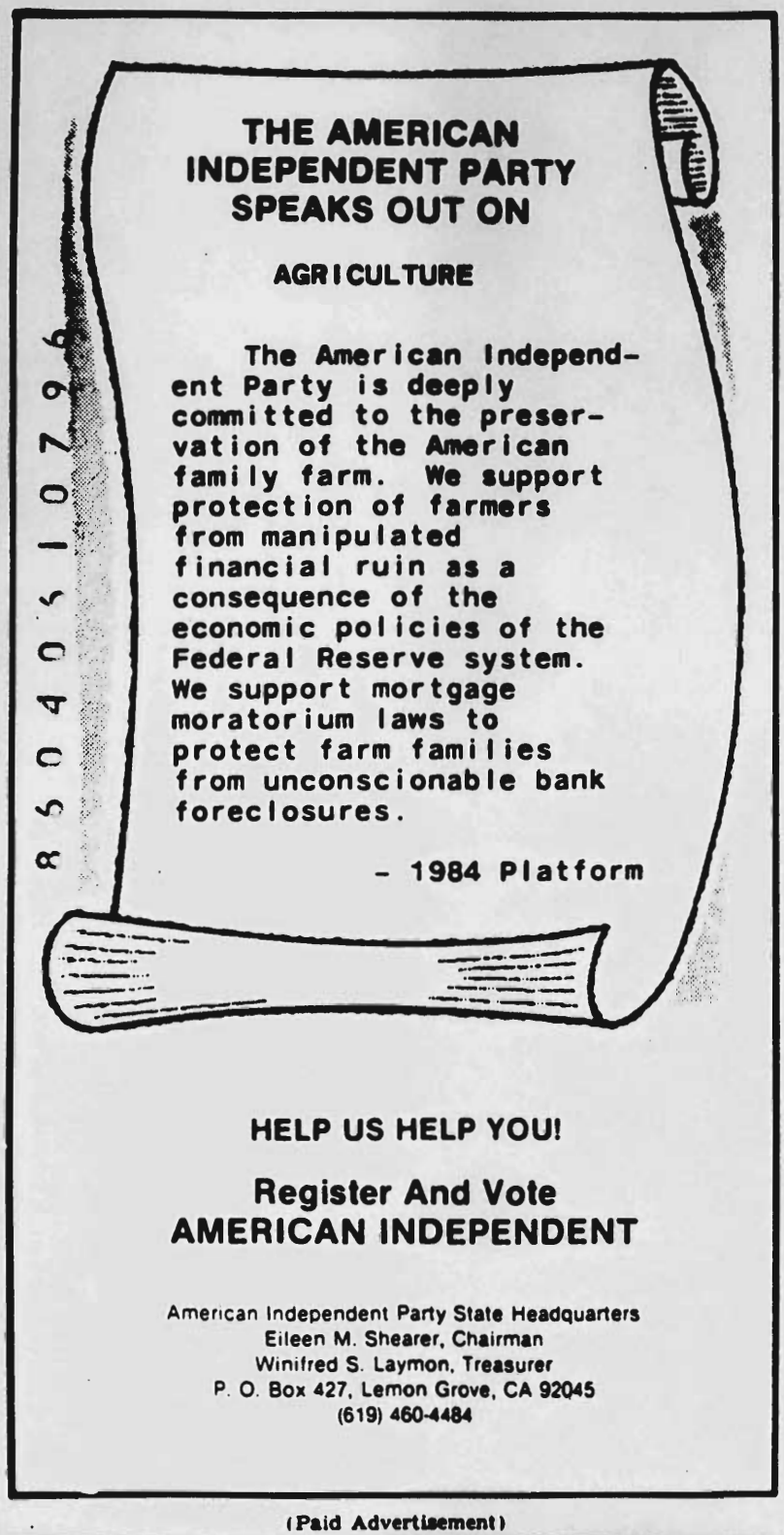
Saturday evening, March 9, following the National Committee business, a gala banquet was held at the Bismarck Hotel. Principal speakers were John R. Rarick and Maureen Salaman.

Both Rarick, the American Independent Party's 1980 presidential candidate, and Mrs. Salaman, the Populist Party's 1984 vice-presidential candidate, gave inspiring and enthusiastic speeches filled with optimism for the party's future.

On Sunday, March 10, the National Committee sponsored a series of panels on practical politics which included discussions of state organization, precinct work, fund raising, ballot access problems, and effective contact with the news media. Participating in the panels were Seipold, Yarbrough, Salaman, Willis A. Carto, Kimball, Eileen, Bill, and Nancy Shearer.

Following the National Committee meeting, the executive committee met, under Seipold's leadership, to deal with the party's finances, and make plans for the party's future. During the next 60 days, Seipold will make recommendations to the executive committee on establishment of a permanent national headquarters. Meanwhile, he, Yarbrough, and Kimball will continue to coordinate party activities in their respective areas of the country.

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POPULIST PARTY
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March 27, 1985

Mr. Fred Seipold, Chairman
Populist Party National Committee
373 West Fort Street
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Dear Fred:

To assist in keeping an accurate record of the transactions of the Executive Committee, I am providing to you, and each member of the Executive Committee, this summary of the financial motions which I offered at the meeting on Sunday, March 10, 1985, and each of which was adopted by the Executive Committee. I have provided explanation of the motions where elaboration will be helpful.

1. Motion instructing the treasurer to pay the following attorneys: Steiner, $510.00; Longacre, $654.00; and Drake, $495.08.

These payments were previously authorized by the Executive Committee at the November, 1984 meeting, but the payments were not made at that time because of shortage of funds.

2. Motion to pay expense accounts of coordinators as follows: Seipold, $2,214.95; Yarbrough, a sum not to exceed $700.00; Kimball, a sum not to exceed $800.00. These were the amounts stated by the coordinators as due for past work, in accord with authorizations of the Executive Committee. Payments to be made promptly by the treasurer upon presentation of proper accounting by the coordinators.

3. Motion to pay all expenses in connection with the Chicago National Committee meeting, including the sum of $1,294.48 advanced by W. K. Shearer. Itemized statement was submitted to treasurer.

An additional $129.65 has since been submitted for payment, with approval by the chairman.

4. Motion to pay remaining bills from the Maureen Salaman Vice-Presidential Campaign as follows: Visa (W. K. Shearer card), $2,649.84, Maureen Salaman, $900.00.

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Itemized Visa bill presented to treasurer by Shearer. Maureen reported that she had submitted her bill to Washington, but did not keep copy. Apparently, the statement has been lost, so it is not possible to present itemized receipts for the $900.00.

5. Motion to pay trade payable bills submitted by W. A. Carto, in total sum of $27,684.86, on a payment schedule to be worked out between the Chairman, Treasurer, and Willis.

The total was arrived at by adding six sets of receipts and/or bills in the folder presented by Carto as follows: (a) $709.00; (b) 3,744.21 (c) $1,042.55; (d) $716.55; (e) $3,330.05; and (f) $18,142.50.

6. Motion that the Chairman, as legal counsel, be instructed to do such research as necessary to determine how the Committee's accounts should be structured and administered to meet all requirements of Federal and other applicable law; to report his findings in writing within 30 days; and that his findings be implemented without the necessity of further board action, to assure that the National Committee is functioning in conformity to the requirements of law.

7. Motion that the following salaries and expense accounts be approved for a period of 60 days commencing March 1, 1985: Seipold, salary $4,000.00 per month, expense account, $2,000.00 per month; Yarbrough, salary, $1,500.00 per month, expense account, $1,000.00 per month; Kimball, expense account, $1,000.00 per month. The same salaries and expense accounts to be continued for an additional 30 days if available funds permit.

8. Motion that the Chairman, as legal counsel, be instructed to draft and secure signatures of necessary parties on legal documents releasing all members of the Executive Committee (past and present) from individual liability on the indebtedness of the Populist Party to Liberty Lobby, the Cordite Corporation, etc., which was, by vote of the Executive Committee in November, 1984, made a condition precedent to the assumption of said debt.

9. Motion that the Chairman be instructed to present recommendations for the location of the national office of the Committee, and a proposed budget for the operation of the National Committee for the remainder of 1985; said recommendations to be presented in writing within 60 days.

Trusting that this will be helpful, I remain

Sincerely yours,

William K. Shearer
Parliamentarian

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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

(See reverse side for instructions)

1 (a) Name of Committee (in Full) — (b) Check if name or address is changed — 2 Date: 4-14-84

POPULIST PARTY

(c) Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

(d) City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

3 FEC Identification Number

4 Is this an amended Statement? YES NO X

5 TYPE OF COMMITTEE (check one)

(a) This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

(b) This committee is an authorized committee and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate | Candidate Party Affiliation | Office Sought | State (if any)

(c) This committee supports (retains) only one candidate _____ and is NOT an authorized committee.
(Name of candidate)

X (d) This committee is a national committee of the POPULIST Party.
(National, State or subordinate) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)

(e) This committee is a separate segregated fund.

(f) This committee supports (retains) more than one Federal candidate and is NOT a separate segregated fund nor a party committee.

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Name of Any Connected Organization or Affiliated Committee	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Relationship
NONE		

If the registering political committee has identified a connected organization above, please indicate the type of organization.

Corporation | Corporation w/o Capital Stock | Labor Organization | Membership Organization | Trade Association | Cooperative

7 Custodian of Records (Identify the name, address, telephone number, and position of the person in possession of the committee records.)

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
William H. Baker	Box 11134, Las Vegas, Nev. 89111	Nat'l. Chairman

8 Treasurer (List the name and address, phone number, and position of the treasurer of the committee. If a designated agent is also appointed, list the name, address, phone number, and position of the designated agent.)

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
Maria Candelli	6803 Nesbitt Pl., McLean, Va. 22101	Treasurer

9 Banks or Other Depositories (List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds. Include safety deposit boxes in which committee funds are kept.)

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.	Mailing Address and ZIP Code
National Capital Bank	316 Pennsylvania Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003

10 I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Maria Candelli

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

NOTE: Any change in the information contained in this Statement must be reported within 10 days.

For further information contact: Federal Election Commission, 1325 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20463

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON DC 20463

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December 13, 1984

Clara Sandahl, Treasurer
Populist Party
130 Third Street, S.E.
Washington, DC 20003

Identification Number: C00186726

Reference: October Quarterly (7/1/84-9/30/84) and 12 Day Pre-General (10/1/84-10/17/84) Reports

Dear Ms. Sandahl:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 12, 1984, the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated November 21, 1984. Those notices requested information essential to full public disclosure of your Federal election financial activity and to ensure compliance with provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act). Copies of our original requests are enclosed.

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Paul Kolesa on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 523-4048.

Sincerely,

John D Gibson

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on September 29, 1985 at 6:30 pm Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members, John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, Willis Carto and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Couture requested that Miss Shearer give a report on the new office.

Miss Shearer reported that she had found an office in San Diego for $264.00 on a month to month basis and had retained it. She said she rented a post office box for $53.44 which was paid for thru January 1, 1986 and that she had a phone installed with a $100.00 deposit which went toward the first month's bill. The new office address 3435 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 318, San Diego, CA 92108; the new mailing address 6065 Mission Gorge Road, Box 211, San Diego, CA 92120 and the new phone number is (619) 282-5614. She further reported that she had returned to Phoenix and was released from the lease on her apartment, had the party mail forwarded to the new mailing address, and made sure that the Populist Party was not being held responsible for a lease on a Phoenix office.

Mrs. Miller reported that there is approximately a $1,200.00 balance in the party account in Alabama.

Mr. Carto reported that the Washington account had been drained to pay an outstanding Printers II bill of $3,981.64. He asked that Mrs. Miller return the invoice for that bill to him to avoid double payment.

Maureen Salaman was added to the conference call at this time.

Mr. Shearer made a motion that:

1) There are to be no more expenditures on obligations incurred, and no new bills are to be incurred without specific authorization of the executive committee;

2) All Populist Party mail and or contributions are to be forwarded to the new San Diego administrative office for processing; and

3) All funds or checks of any kind are to be forwarded to Mrs. Miller, the National Treasurer, in Alabama, for deposit only in the Populist Party account there.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion.

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Befor a vote could be taken Mr. Kimball moved to table the above motion until fund raising could be discussed. Mr. Carto seconded the motion and the vote was 4 to 4 with Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Pope, and Mr. Carto voting for the motion, and Mr. Shearer, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Victor, and Mr. Couture voting against it.

Mr. Shearers original motion was then discussed and approved by a vote of 6 to 0 with Mr. Pope, Mr. Victor, Mr. Shearer, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Salaman and Mr. Couture for the motion, and Mr. Carto and Mr. Kimball abstaining.

The next matter to be discussed was fund raising. Mr. Couture said that he thought the proposed 20K mailing concerning membership dues, should take a very positive stand and that he as chairman wouls sign it. All agreed to this approach.

Mr. Couture then asked about the billing of the state assesments. Miss Shearer said she had it on her calendar of things to do as soon as the new letterhead was ready. She also said she was getting a bulk mailing permit for the party.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Carto a question about Mr. Kimball's books, but Mr. Carto had left the conference call.

Mr. Kimball went on to address the committee about his book offer in which he would sell copies of his book to the Populist Party for $4.00 each including postage and handling, and that the party could give his book to every $25.00 contributor.

Mr. Couture made a motion to proceed with Mr. Kimball's book offer one month after the membership fundraiser is out. The motion was seconded by Mr. Victor and was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Couture reported that he had mailed a letter to the New York Times requesting a retraction of its attack on the party and that he had sent copies to the statewide leadership. He further reported that he would be sending a letter to the state leaders asking for information on their goals and timetables for state organizational plans. Mr. Couture also gave a brief description of the Video plan he had been working on, to follow the six month six tier plan or whatever plan was implimented in a particular state.

Mr. Kimball brought up the financial dificulties of Van Loman's campaign in Ohio and asked for input as to what could be done.

Mr. Shearer said that under the circumstances the party could not afford to spend any money, but that committee members who wanted to help out Mr. Loman's campaign should either donate or raise $100.00 to send to Mr. Loman's campaign committee.

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Mr. Kimball said it should be sent ot the Loman for Council Campaign Committee, Box 5112, Cincinatti, Ohio 45205, Attn: Harry Bertram, Jr., Treasurer.

Miss Shearer reported that she really needed some assistance in the office, and offered as a solution the hiring of a secretary for 25 hours a week at $6.00 an hour for a total of $150.00 a week.

Mrs. Salaman moved that Nancy Shearer be allowed to get office help for a maximum of 25 hours at $6.00 an hour for a total of $150.00 a week. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Kimball made a motion for the committee to meet again by conference call on October 20, 1985 at 6:30 pm Pacific time. Mrs. Salaman seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

The meeting was then adjourned by Mr. Couture.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer
National Administrator

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on October 20, 1985 at 6:30 pm Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members, John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

It was moved by Jerry Pope that dues notices be sent out to the approximately 22 thousand members on the list from Washington, and that the money for this mailing, approximately $8,000.00, be borrowed from William K. Shearer A.P.C. to be paid back to William K. Shearer A.P.C. out of the first available funds from the return on the mailing at 10% interest. The motion was seconded by Faye Miller and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Faye Miller that an IBM PC computer be rented from William K. Shearer A.P.C. at $100.00 a month starting October 1, 1985. Don Kimball1 seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

William Shearer moved that the party pay $1,180.00 rent on the copy machine used in Arizona which includes a $130.00 repair bill on that machine in return for a complete release from any further obligation to David Sasser and the lessor of the equipment, and further that the amount paid be offset against anything further owed to Fred Seipold. The motion was seconded by Faye Miller and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Willim Shearer that the chairman direct a letter to Willis Carto asking him to pay the Populist Party the approximately $500.00 still due on the rental of the Populist Party mailing list used by the Spotlight for its July fundraiser and that the $1,000.00 already paid to Fred Seipold for that rental be offset against anything found to be owing to Fred Seipold. The motion was seconded by Faye Miller and carried unanimously.

At this time Maureen Salaman was added to the conference call.

William Shearer moved that the treasurer direct a letter to Willis Carto requesting a complete accounting of the Washington DC account including statements of deposits and canceled checks. Also the treasurer was to direct a letter to Printers II asking for copies of the work done by Printers II to back up invoices already received from them. Rolland Victor seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There was some discussion of Van Loman's campaign in Ohio. It appeared that he was in need of financial backing. Due to the fact that the Populist Party did not have funds available to help his campaign at this time the committee members decided to try to send $100.00 each for his campaign or to raise the money

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to send him if they did not themselves have funds available at the time.

Faye Miller made a motion to send a direct representative to Atlanta, Georgia to represent the party in the matter of securing improved ballot access in that state. Don Kimball seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Don Kimball moved to adjourn the conference call meeting and the motion was seconded by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer, National Administrator

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on January 18, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, Richard Weimer, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Kimball asked for unanimous consent to change his vote at the previous meeting on adding Mr. Weimer to the executive committee from "no" to "yes".

Mr. Shearer objected to going back in the records and changing votes, but said Mr. Kimball's statement should be added to the record of this meeting.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That a demand be made upon the corporation officers of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia corporation, to do the following:

(1) The corporation chartered in the state of Virginia and known as Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia; or, in lieu of the charter being returned that the corporation change it's name, purpose and intent so as differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States, and make this differentiation clear to the public.

(2) That all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and

(3) That any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease; along with any other reference to Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs Miller moved that:

Based upon the information available to the executive committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships stating that the

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Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or 2nd or 3rd party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party of the United States or its representative.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Shearer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the executive committee support Mrs. Miller in her position that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp. or The Spotlight.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That any and all solicitation of funds, sales of merchandise, or use of logo by any entity without express approval of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States cease immediately and that Graphic Productions be required to account for its unauthorized promotional activities, secure authorization from the Executive Committee, share revenues with the committee, and regularly account for the income from its sales of party materials.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Pope moved that any state party that tells its people not to contribute to the national be removed, and new officers installed with implementation of the motion to be handled by the chairman.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the treasurer make a demand for the $1,500.00 owed to the Populist Party by the Spotlight for use of the mailing list, all money collected by the Populist Party, Inc. since September 29, 1985, and any balance presently in the Populist Party, Inc. account.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Weimer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the party take all steps necessary to see that the Populist Party mailing list is not used by any one but the Populist Party without consent of the executive committee.

Mrs. Miller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Shearer moved that $2,500.00 be alloted for the printing of new literature.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that Mr. Couture be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred for travel while doing Populist Party work, and that Miss Shearer be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred on trips to Oregon and Colorado to organize state parties there, under the supervision of the chairman.

Mr. Kimball seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Kimball moved that Mr. Victor be allotted $500.00 for travel on Populist Party business, to be accounted for to Mrs. Miller.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The possible employment of Howard Carson was discussed, but no motion was offered and the matter was dropped.

The meeting was adjourned with the option of another meeting left to call of the chairman if needed before the National Committee meeting on March 1st and 2nd in Los Angeles, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer, National Administrator

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WILLIAM K. SHEARER

January 10, 1986

To: All State Parties and Members of the National Committee

From: National Executive Committee

Subject: CALL OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 1-2, 1986 IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

This letter will serve as your official notice of the National Committee Meeting of the Populist Party to be held Saturday and Sunday, March 1-2, 1986, in Los Angeles, California. You, and all supporting members of the Populist Party, are cordially invited to attend.

All sessions of the National Committee Meeting will be held at the Los Angeles Airport Hilton, 5711 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, 90045-5631. Each party member is responsible for making his or her own room reservation and a handy registration card is enclosed for this purpose. Room rates are: $55 for single or double rooms. Room reservations may also be made by calling the Los Angeles Airport Hilton at (213) 410-4000. If your reservation is made by telephone, be sure to inform the hotel that you are with the Populist Party, so that you will qualify for the special room rate quoted above.

Transportation to the hotel from Los Angeles International Airport is available via the Hilton Hotel Shuttle at no charge.

For your further convenience, full travel arrangements, including hotel and airline reservations can be made at no charge by calling Taylor Travel at (619) 268-4106. Ask for Clay Taylor and be sure to let him know you are with the Populist Party. The earlier you make your reservation the better the fare you can obtain.

Individual registration fee for the meeting will be $50, payable to the Populist Party. This fee includes admission to all of the meetings of the National Committee and its sub-committees and your ticket to the Festive Saturday Evening Banquet.

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This registration fee along with the enclosed registration form should be sent in the enclosed return envelope to:

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For further information about meeting arrangements, you are invited to contact Nancy Shearer or Donna Layton at (619) 282-5614.

The Los Angeles gatthering will be the second meeting of the National Committee since the party was formally organized at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee in August, 1984.

Principal Business of the meeting will be consideration of the patry's participation in the 1986 elections in the various States, and continued developement of the Populist Party at the national level.

Featured speaker at the National Committee's Festive Saturday Evening Banquet will be:

- Maureen Kennedy Salaman, the Populist Party's dynamic 1984 Vice-Presidential nominee. Mrs. Salaman, one of the Nation's outstanding speakers, is President of the National Health Federation, is the star of several radio and television talk shows, is a nationally recognized author of books on nutrition and freedom of choice in health care, and is the American Independent Party/Populist Party candidate for Governor of California in the upcomming state election.

Voting representation at the National Committee meeting will be in accord with the formula for such representation set forth in the Party's National Bylaws. Section II of the bylaws states in pertinent part:

"Membership in the Populist Party is limited to one political party organization recognized by the National Committee from each State, the District of Columbia, and any other areas specified by the National Committee.

"Representation on the National Committee shall be determined as follows:

(1) When a member state political party is qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, the state party is entitled to three representatives plus one additional representative for each five electoral votes of the subject State or major faction thereof.

(2) When a member state political party was qualified in the most recent general election to place statewide candidates or

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presidential electors on the ballot, but is not so qualified in the next general election ballot, the state organization is entitled to three representatives.

(3) When a member political organization is not qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, and was not so qualified in the immediately preceding general election, the state organization is entitled to two representatives.

Under this formula the States will be entitled to the following number of votes in the National Committee meeting: California, 12; Kansas, 4; Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, 3 each; all other states and the District of Columbia, 2 each.

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The bylaws further provide that:

"No State political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessments as established by the National Committee."

Section VII of the Bylaws provides that each member State party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of $20 every four months for each voting representative to the National Committee. Two such payments will be due at the National Committee meeting in March (one for the August-December 1985 period, and one for the January-April 1986 period). Thus, in order to vote in the meeting, a State with two voting representatives will be required to pay an assessmant of $80; a State with three voting representatives will be required to pay $120; a State with four voting representatives will be required to pay $160; and a state with 12 voting representatives will be required to pay $480. These assessments are in addition to the meeting's registration fee. The National Committee will strictly enforce the rule requiring state parties to be current in their assessments to the National Committee as a condition to voting in the Los Angeles meeting.

Under the Bylaws of the Populist Party, proxy voting in the National Committee is permitted. A proxy form, for your use, is included with this official notice of the National Committee meeting. The Bylaws state that:

"A representative may vote by proxy but no person may cast more than one vote."

This provision insures maximum individual participation in the National Committee meeting and precludes any individual from attempting to control a meeting through accumulating numerous proxies made out to a single individual.

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The importance of the Los Angeles meeting cannot be overemphasized. Your participation at this national meeting is of the utmost importance to you, your state party, and your country.

Please mail your registration immediately upon receipt of this notice.

We look forward to seeing you in Los Angeles on March 1-2, 1986, and to important Populist victories in the 1986 election.

Sincerely,

John M. Couture

John M. Couture, Chairman

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MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

(1) Yes, I plan to attend the Los Angeles meeting of the Populist Party National Committee.

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WILLIAMS KEYNOTES POPULIST NATIONAL COMMITEE MEETING

Lindsey Williams, popular author and minister, was the keynote speaker at the 1986 annual meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party, held in Los Angeles, California, on March 1-2.

Williams received an enthusiastic response from the Committee members as he denounced the Federal Reserve system, and exposed the untruths connected with the so-called "energy crisis."

Williams is the author of two books, "The Energy Non-Crisis," and "To Seduce a Nation." A dynamic speaker, he is a strong supporter of the Populist Party and its crusade to restore representative government in America.

In 1974, Williams became Chaplain on the Trans-Alaska oil pipeline. As a result of his executive status with the nine major oil companies, he became privy to first-hand knowledge of the phony nature of the so-called energy crisis.



Lindsey Williams

Principal business before the National Committee was a review of the past year's progress, and reports on various actions taken by the officers and Executive Committee. During 1985, the Populist Party went through a number of crises, including a necessary change in national chairman, but came through the problems with strong new leadership in Chairman John Couture, an efficient national office, reform of party finances to prevent abuses, and a favorable bank balance which enables the party to go forward with optimism in 1986.

At the Los Angeles meeting, the National Committee unanimously adopted the following motion offered by State Chairman Richard Weimer of Indiana:

"Be it resolved that the National Committee of the Populist Party...having reviewed the conduct of the party's business for the past year:

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"1. Commends national Chairman John Couture for the outstanding leadership he has provided to the Populist Party during his term as chairman, and rejects the contention of any contrary claimant to the chairmanship as unsupported in law or fact;

"2. Commends national Treasurer Faye Miller and the national Executive Committee for all actions they have taken to assure lawful and fiscally-responsible management of the Populist Party's finances; ratifies the actions of the Treasurer and the Executive Committee, taken during the 1985-86 term, with regard to party finances; and instructs the Treasurer and Executive Committee to continue the policies expressed in the fiscal motions already adopted by the Executive Committee;

"3. Commends National Administrator Nancy Shearer for her capable and efficient administration of the Populist Party's national administrative office."

Responding to concerns expressed by party members that the Populist Party does not have an adopted national platform, Chairman Couture appointed a committee, headed by Wisconsin State Chairman Joseph Birkenstock, to gather proposals for a membership-approved platform.

With regard to the so-called platform document in circulation, the National Committee unanimously adopted the following statement, upon recommendation of Birkenstock's committee:

"The document which has been circulated as the 1984 platform of the Populist Party of the United States has never been adopted by any representative body of the party and is not, in fact, the party platform.

"While it contains many statements which are in conformity with the philosophy of the members, it also contains some statements which many members find unacceptable.

"The document has the status of only a submission by its authors of a recommended platform, and will be considered in due course along with all other submissions for action by the party through its representative bodies."

In order to assure full participation in Executive Committee meetings, the National Committee unanimously adopted a standing rule, recommended by

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the Rules Committee, which states:

> "Any member of the National Executive Committee who has three consecutive unexcused absences from meetings of the Executive Committee shall be deemed to have resigned from the National Executive Committee."

Six committees functioned at the National Committee meeting: Credentials, chaired by Faye Miller of Alabama; Rules, chaired by Richard Weimer of Indiana; Platform, chaired by Joseph Birkenstock of Wisconsin; Resolutions, chaired by Dr. Edmon V. Kaiser of California; Agriculture, chaired by Don Kimball of Iowa; and Campaign, chaired by Kile Daylong, state chairman of the Utah Populist Party.

The resolutions committee reported five resolutions which were adopted by the National Committee. The resolutions:

1. Endorse H.R. 2320, introduced in the House of Representatives, which provides for a reasonable uniform national procedure by which new political parties may qualify for the ballot in the several states, and urge the prompt enactment of this legislation by the Congress.

2. Express opposition to cities, counties, or states providing sanctuary to illegal aliens in violation of Federal immigration laws.

3. Support the right of the states to set their own highway speed limits.

4. Encourage state organizations of the Populist Party to establish telephone information numbers, and print such numbers on party literature.

5. Call on the National Committee to provide each state chairman a list of all state chairmen of the Populist Party, with their addresses, and telephone numbers.

At the opening session of the National Committee, members were welcomed by Eileen M. Shearer, chairman of California's American Independent Party. The American Independent Party is the official California affiliate of the National Populist Party.

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During the course of the meeting, candidates of the state parties for the 1986 election were introduced including California's full slate for statewide partisan office. The California candidates include: Gary Miller of Los Angeles County for Governor; Jim Griffin of Riverside County for Lt. Governor; Ed Vallen of San Bernardino County for U.S. Senator; Gary Odom of Los Angeles County for Attorney General; Theresa Dietrich of Contra Costa County for Secretary of State; Nicholas W. Kudrovzeff of San Mateo County for Controller; and Merton Short of Butte County for Treasurer.

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Speakers at the National Committee meeting included Populist Party Vice-Chairman Maureen Salaman, who described the battle for "health freedom" now going on in Congress and the state legislatures, and Betty McConkey, state chairwoman of the Populist Party of Iowa, who described the lawsuit the Iowa party has initiated against KWWL-TV in Waterloo, Iowa, in response to the station's defamatory attack on the party, entitled "Harvesting Fear."

McConkey said that individuals in left-wing organizations find left-wing individuals in the media who collaborate to smear conservative individuals and organizations. This is exactly what happened, she said, to the Populist Party of Iowa, "the fastest growing conservative third party organization in the state."

McConkey said the unjust attacks on the Populist Party were a result of the party's suit against the Federal Reserve Board on behalf of the party's farm members.

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"The supreme issue . . . is the encroachment of the powerful few upon the rights of the many. This mighty power has come between the people and their government."
- Sen. Robert La Follette

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on March 8, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

On line for the conference call were executive committee members, John Couture, Maureen Salaman, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Richard Weimer, Jerry Pope, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Shearer made a motion that Mr. Couture was to write Mr. Carto and inform him that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party does not consider an audit of accounts maintained in Washington DC in the name of the Populist Party necessary if:

1. Other demands previously made are complied with;

2. Any claim of indebtedness by the Populist Party to The Populist Party, Inc., Cordite Fidelity Corporation, The Spotlight, and Liberty Lobby is abandoned; and

3. The Corporate entity which created the Washington DC accounts, reports and accounts to the Federal Elections Commission for all transactions out of said accounts from start to finish.

If these conditions; are not met an audit by an independent accounting firm,selected by the Executive Committee, will be required, with the expense to be borne by those who established the accounts in Washington DC.

Mr. Weimer seconded the motion.

Mrs. Salaman offered an amendment to the motion to include in the letter to Mr. Carto an apology for any derogatory statements made by any member of the executive committee about Mr. Carto.

Mr. Pope seconded the amendment.

The vote on the amendment was as follows:

Voting yes: Mr. Pope and Mrs. Salaman. Voting no: Mr. Kimball, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture. Mrs. Miller abstained from voting.

The vote on the original motion was as follows:

Voting yes were Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture. Voting no was Mr. Pope. Mrs. Miller abstained from voting.

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Mr. Shearer asked that Mr. Couture send a letter to Mr. Peter Polkowitz of Graphic Productions informing him that the promotional items he had been selling were not authorized by the executive committee and that he is to submit to the executive committee an accounting of his transactions so far, and if he wants to continue his business he must enter into an agreement with the executive committee.

Mr. Shearer said there were some minutes missing from the record, these being the Chicago National Committee meeting of March 1985; the Los Angeles meeting of March 1986, the telephonic meeting of July 21, 1985 and the Phoenix meeting of June, 1985.

Mr. Kimball said he had the minutes from Phoenix, meeting of June 1985 and the July 21, 1985 meeting, and that he would send them out directly.

Miss Shearer said she would transcribe the Chicago, March 1985 National Committee meeting and the Los Angeles, March 1986 meetings as soon as possible and send them out.

Mr. Shearer went on to report that the Sartore law suit in Indiana had been dismissed in full. He also reported that he was in receipt of the fully executed release on the Idaho equipment matter. Mr. Shearer said he had the computer lease agreement ready for signature and that he would send copies to John Couture and Faye Miller for their approval.

Mr. Shearer moved that all minutes submitted to date be approved. Mr. Weimer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mrs. Salaman moved that Miss Shearer's salary be raised from $400.00 a week to $500.00 a week and Mrs. Layton's salary be raised from $6.00 an hour to $8.00 an hour.

Mr. Weimer seconded the motion.

After some discussion Mrs. Salaman revised her motion to state that Miss Shearer's salary be reviewed in 45 days but that Mrs. Layton's salary be raised from $6.00 an hour to $8.00 an hour commencing with the March 16 - 22, 1986 pay period.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion.

Mr. Kimball offered an amendment to the motion that Mrs. Layton's pay be raised to only $7.00 an hour.

Mrs. Miller seconded the amendment.

The vote on the amendment was as follows:

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Voting yes: Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Miller and Mr. Pope. Voting no: Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Voting yes: Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Pope, Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture. Mr. Shearer abstained from voting.

Mrs. Salaman asked that Miss Shearer and Mrs. Layton each prepare a job description for the board's review before the next executive committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned with the next meeting to be held on Saturday April 5, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer
National Administrator

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
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March 17, 1986

John Couture
13131 W. Janesville Rd.
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Dear John:

As you are aware, many party members, as well as people who have picked up some party literature or seen a bumper sticker, continue to write in to this address. Many of them wish to pay their dues, others purchase literature, make contributions, ask questions or offer their services.

Due to the present disarray on the executive committee, and the extremely uncertain future of the party as a unified movement, I have asked our staff to resume servicing these inquiries and orders.

It has always been my personal aim, throughout some 30 years of public service, to see that people who support a movement in good faith receive that same commodity back.

A full record will be kept, as always, of action taken in each individual instance.

Sincerely,

Willis A. Carto
Member, Executive Committee

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March 31, 1986

Mr. Willis A. Carto
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Dear Willis,

I am writing to you, in accord with the wishes of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, to officially inform you of the actions taken by the Committee with regard to the issues wherein you are at odds with the majority of the members of the Executive Committee, and to seek your compliance with the Committee's mandates. I also hope that this letter will help to resolve, rather than enlarge, the existing problems.

Before going into the position of the Executive Committee, let me say on a personal basis that I am deeply disappointed that you have attacked the Populist Party, and its Executive Committee, charging that we are in "disarray", and have failed to provide leadership, when, in fact, during my six month tenure as chairman, we have made great strides in developing the party. Among the accomplishments of my term, thus far, are the following:

1. When I became chairman, the party had only a little over $1,000.00 in the bank. We now have almost $50,000.00 in the bank, are operating in the black, and have fully met all of our obligations to legitimate creditors.

2. We have established a full time, completely functioning, totally responsible national administrative office. This office functions at minimum cost with one full time administrator and one assistant. It has an appropriate computer, copier, typewriters, and all other necessary, modern operating equipment, and is providing an increasing number of services to the party.

3. My law and business offices in Wisconsin serve as the national office of the party. My office is open from 9:00 AM till usually 6:30 PM (and frequently from 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM) six days

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evenings. My personal services, my office, secretary, and supporting services cost the party absolutely nothing, except the cost of mailings, and party telephone calls. Unlike the previous chairmen, I have served without pay. Yet, frankly, I believe I have accomplished more for the party in six months than did the previous chairmen during their terms.

4. Ten days after taking office, in a lengthy letter to the New York Times and Milwaukee Journal, I served notice on those who had attacked the Populist Party that the party would not supinely accept any further libels. I received a conciliatory response from the New York Times, and the Milwaukee Journal printed a special editorial letter which extolled the merits of the Populist Party and decried the libelous article complained of. I am not aware of any further libels by the New York Times News Service or the Milwaukee Journal. My letter to these papers was mailed to every state leader of the Populist Party with a cover letter, requesting that each leader direct a copy of my letter to the New York Times to any publication in his or her state which libels the Populist Party.

5. Organization is now going on in the field, and new state organizations are being formed and officially recognized. I have attempted to restore unity to the party. In November, 1986, after numerous phone conferences with Jim Yarbrough, I mailed an "open letter" of reconciliation to Jim, with copies to state leaders, in a beginning effort to heal the wounds resulting essentially from Jim's clashes with former chairman Fred Scipold. My efforts on behalf of unity and reconciliation are continuing.

6. During my administration, for the first time, a comprehensive dues notice mailing, together with membership cards, went out to every recorded member of the Populist Party. This has resulted in strong support in terms both of finances and organization.

7. On March 1-2, 1986, I presided over the annual meeting of the National Committee, which was well attended, and at which the members of the National Committee unanimously confirmed my chairmanship, ratified the acts taken by the Executive Committee during the past year, and commended the efficient functioning of our national administrative office.

8. On November 9, 1985, I participated in conducting a successful Western Regional Conference of the Populist Party.

9. On November 20, 1985 I wrote, printed, and mailed to all state party leaders an 18 page detailed memorandum outlining the organizational programs, and fundamental growth policies of the Populist Party. This was intended, as a "how to do it" manual for the (a) structural organization, and (b) full fleshing out of

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every state party. These specified tried and true techniques, if followed, will result in very rapid party growth, and which, if followed, will make swift victory inevitable.

10. On January 6, 1986, I completed a suggested, complete, and detailed model constitution for state parties, and mailed copies of the same to all state party leaders. This will provide guidance and direction for the conduct of state party affairs.

11. The National Committee, under my direction, has prepared new post-election literature for the party, and we are continuing to expand the availability of party building materials.

This does not constitute an exhaustive list of the party's accomplishments during my term to date, but will certainly suffice to show the tremendous progress being made, and that neither the Populist Party, nor its national leadership are in a state of "disarray". I am disappointed that you, although you are a member of the Executive Committee, have refused to participate in the recent telephonic meetings of the Executive Committee. Also, knowing that your stewardship was in question, I am surprised that you did not attend the National Committee meeting, this month, in order to answer questions from members of the National Committee, or, at least, to explain your position on the matters in controversy.

For over a year, the Executive Committee has sought to conform our fiscal affairs to the requirements of the party's membership adopted bylaws, and Federal election laws. At the Executive Committee meeting on March 10, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion directing the then chairman, Fred Seipold, as legal counsel, to do such research as was necessary to determine how the Committee's accounts should be structured and administered to meet all requirements of Federal and other applicable law; to report his findings in writing within 30 days; and implement these findings without the necessity of further Board action to assure that the National Committee was functioning in conformity to the requirements of law.

The intent of the motion, of course, was to bring all of the bank accounts being operated in the name of the Populist Party under the direct control of the elected treasurer. In spite of the Executive Committee's clear intent, you continued to operate the account or accounts which you had established, using the Populist name, as separate and independent from the official account established by the elected treasurer.

The Executive Committee again considered this problem at the telephonic meeting of September 29, 1985, at which time a motion was adopted that there be no more expenditures on obligations incurred, and no new bills incurred without specific

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authorization of the Executive Committee; that all Populist Party mail and or contributions are to be forwarded to the San Diego administrative office for processing; and that all funds or checks of any kind are to be forwarded to the national treasurer, Mrs. Faye Miller, for deposit only in the Populist Party account which she administers.

Although, you were present for the part of the conference call during which this motion was adopted (the record reflects that you abstained from voting on the motion, which was approved 6 to 0), you did not comply with this policy of the Executive Committee, as is confirmed by your recent letter to me, in which you state that you are continuing to collect funds and operate a quote "Populist" bank account independent of the National Committee and the elected treasurer.

On October 20, 1985, in a telephonic meeting of the Executive Committee, a motion was adopted by vote of 6 to 0 that the treasurer direct a letter to you requesting a full accounting of the Washington D.C. account, including statements of deposits and cancelled checks. This material has never been made available by you to the national treasurer.

Finally, having failed to receive your cooperation, on January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a series of motions, on the accounting problems which your continued operation of one or more "Populist" bank accounts in Washington has generated. Specifically, in order to avoid any confusion among contributors, the Executive Committee now requires of you:

1. That the corporation chartered in the State of Virginia and known as Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia, or, in lieu of the charter being returned, that the corporation change it's name, purpose and intent so as to differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States;

2. That all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and

3. That any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease; along with any other reference to Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

At the January 18, 1986, meeting, the Executive Committee also unanimously approved a motion that " the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. The Executive

Committee, therefore, directs that you and these entities abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party duly executed documents, signed by the officers of such entities stating that the Populist Party is not indebted to them, or to second or third party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. The motion stated that these acknowledgements must be received by February 10, 1986, and that if the acknowledgements were not forthcoming by said date, the Executive Committee formally demands that all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party, by any of the described entities, be submitted to a complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party or its representative.

The Executive Committee, by motion, further expressed support of the position taken by the treasurer, Faye Miller, that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission, or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. This letter will confirm that Mrs. Miller will make no such filings on behalf of these entities.

The Executive Committee has also authorized me to make a demand on you and The Spotlight for the $1,500.00 owed by The Spotlight to the Populist Party for use of the party's mailing list in 1985. In addition, the Executive Committee demands that you pay to the Populist Party all money collected by the Populist Party, Inc. since September 29, 1985, and any balance presently in the Populist Party, Inc. account.

Finally, the Executive Committee has unanimously adopted a motion requiring that any and all solicitation of funds, sales of merchandise, or use of logo by any entity without express approval of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party cease immediately. The conduct which caused this concern is that of Graphic Productions, which is operated by one of your employees. The motion directs Graphic Productions to account for its unauthorized promotional activities, secure authorization from the Executive Committee for any future activities, enter into a revenue sharing arrangement with the committee, and regularly account for the income from its sales of party materials.

On March 8, 1986, at the Executive Committee's most recent telephonic meeting, an additional motion was adopted with regard to the audit which was conditionally demanded on January 18, 1986. The Executive Committee is prepared to withdraw its request for an audit if you and the entities you control promptly comply with the balance of the above stated directives of the Executive Committee. If you are not willing to comply with these mandates, then the Executive Committee insists upon an audit of

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all bank accounts which you have established using the words "Populist Party" as all or part of the name of such account, with the audit to be conducted by an independent auditor, selected by the Executive Committee, and with the audit paid for by those who opened the accounts, and are thus the cause of the expenditure for the audit.

The Executive Committee believes that the actions we have taken are necessary in order to assure that the conduct of the party's fiscal affairs be in compliance with the bylaws, duly adopted by the membership at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1984, and the requirements of the Federal election laws.

Your compliance with these reasonable requests would do the Populist Party a far better service than the sewing of confusion through attacks on the Populist Party and its Executive Committee, in the pages of "The Spotlight". I certainly do not have any desire to quarrel with you personally, and I believe this is the feeling of the vast majority of those on the Executive Committee. We have taken the steps set forth above only in an effort to assure that the financial affairs of the party are conducted lawfully. I hope you will overcome any hostility which you may feel, and comply with the expressed wishes of the Executive Committee in the interest of compliance with the law, and the wishes of the party's membership as expressed through the bylaws. At the recent meeting of the National Committee the members unanimously ratified the acts of the Executive Committee which I have described in this letter.

Very truly yours,

John M. Couture

John M. Couture
National Chairman

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Motion adopted by the National Executive Committee of the Populist Party, during telephonic meeting, Friday, April 18, 1986, 7:00 PM Pacific Time.

I move that Willis A. Carto be removed from the Executive Committee of the Populist Party for breach of fiduciary duty to the members of the party in that he has:

1. Refused to dissolve or change the name of a corporation which he operates, the name of which includes the words "Populist Party," creating confusion among contributors who believe they are contributing to the Populist Party, but whose contributions are placed in the account of the corporation.

2. Refused to turn over to the Treasurer of the Populist Party funds raised in the name of the party, after demand therefor.

3. Continued to operate a bank account in the name of his corporation into which he has wrongfully deposited funds contributed to the party, in spite of the demand that the account be closed.

4. Refused to account to the Executive Committee and Treasurer for funds collected in the name of the Populist Party.

5. Announced that he intends to continue to accept contributions in the name of the party, in spite of the demand of the Executive Committee that he cease to do so.

6. Co-mingled the funds of his business enterprises with contributions received in the name of the Populist Party.

7. Expended funds raised in the name of the Populist Party for non-party purposes.

8. Failed or refused to file necessary reports with the Federal Election Commission.

9. Failed or refused to submit to a full and complete audit of the accounts in which he has placed funds solicited in the name of the Populist Party.

10. Used the party mailing list for his own purposes without compensating the party for use of the list, as he had promised to do.

11. Falsely asserted that the Populist Party is in debt to business entities which he controls.

12. Actively discouraged persons from contributing to the National Populist Party.

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Motion adopted by the National Executive Committee of the Populist Party, during telephonic meeting, Friday, April 18, 1986, 7:00 PM Pacific Time.

I move that the Treasurer of the National Populist Party be instructed to initiate a complaint with the Federal Election Commission, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. Section 437g, requesting a complete investigation of the activities of Willis A. Carto, The Populist Party, Inc., and other entities which he controls, and which appear to be in violation of 2 U.S.C. Section 432 (a), (b) (1), and (3), 2 U.S.C. Section 434 (a) (1), and (4) (iv), or any other sections of the Federal election laws.

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April 23, 1986

Mr. Willis A. Carto
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Dear Willis:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 27, 1986, which was delivered to me by Charles Ulmschneider, after copies of the letter had been distributed by him to other persons at the meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party, on March 1, 1986.

Because you have distributed your letter to others, I shall reply to it. I am certain from the tone and content of your letter, as well as its manner of distribution, that it was intended primarily to influence others, rather than as a personal communication to me. I can discern no interest in fact or truth in your letter, since you included therein at least 10 deliberate untruths, which you knew to be untrue when you wrote them. I shall make reply, however, so that you will be on notice with regard to further dissemination of these falsehoods.

Before addressing these matters, a few preliminary observations are in order.

1. You refer to the memoranda which I addressed to the Executive Committee as "your open letters to the Executive Committee". These communications were not open letters. They were mailed only to members of the Executive Committee, and pertained to matters pending before the Executive Committee. I had no reason to believe any member of the Executive Committee would breach the confidentiality, and, as far as I know, none did except for you. I did not discuss the letters with persons outside the Executive Committee until after distribution of your letter of February 27, 1986. As I said in my memorandum of January 14, 1986, to the Executive Committee:

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"It is my hope that the problems discussed herein can be resolved within the confines of the Executive Committee. Of course, if any person chooses to make an issue of these matters in a different forum, I shall feel relieved of the obligation to withhold the contents of this memorandum from those with a proper interest in the party to whom inaccurate information has been presented by other sources."

You, by distribution of your letter of February 27, 1986, have relieved me of the obligation to withhold from party leaders the information contained in my memoranda. The decision to air these matters in a forum outside the Executive Committee was yours, not mine. Since you have chosen to enlarge the circle by dissemination of a communication replete with falsehood, there is no reason why I should permit wrong to mount the throne, while truth lies buried in the dungeon of confidentiality. Therefore, since receipt of your letter, I have made my memoranda available to party leaders outside the Executive Committee and others to whom I am informed your letter was directed.

2. I don't intend to pay any homage to your pretensions that you alone, unaided by any other human being, swam upstream against overwhelming odds to create a new party in America. I have been laboring in that vineyard since 1967, and don't recall your presence there except on two occasions when you were hawking tabloids for your own profit. You didn't even jump off the Republican band wagon until February 1984, and I vividly recall your participation in the 1971 effort with Bob Walters, The Committee To Reelect The President (CREEP), and the American Nazi Party in the unsuccessful drive to cause removal of the American Independent Party from the California ballot. I still have documentary evidence of your participation in this activity.

3. Contrary to your assertions, the Executive Committee of the Populist Party has not been inactive, and the party is not paralyzed. In spite of your obstruction and manipulation of the funds, the Executive Committee has put the party's finances in order, established an efficient and effective administrative headquarters, is continuing the organizational work of the party, and has a favorable bank balance in spite of your sneaky and underhanded efforts to thwart that result. You accuse me of obstructionism, but I haven't obstructed anything except your desire to solicit funds under false pretenses, your attempts to transact party business contrary to Federal election law and the party by-laws, and your venal attempt to perpetuate a system of perpetual bondage for the party to the entities which you control, through the assertion of what I believe to be a phony allegation of party indebtedness to your controlled corporations.

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4. I thoroughly disagree with your statement that: "Obviously, attempting to run a successful political campaign pay-as-you-go is totally unrealistic and can be productive of nothing but infinite impotence."

The late President Calvin Coolidge said: "There is no dignity, quite so impressive, and no independence quite so important, as living within your means."

He also said: "Industry, thrift, and self-control are not sought because they create wealth, but because they create character."

I can understand how these concepts may be alien to you, since you want to apply to the party the same kind of profligate deficit spending policy which is guiding President Reagan, and which guided his immediate predecessors, with regard to the conduct of governmental affairs. I assure you that Lord Keynes was not correct in asserting that the more you spend the wealthier you are.

I know that you are smart enough to know all this, and, therefore, I conclude that your advocacy of a perpetual party debt is motivated solely by a desire to keep the party in perpetual economic bondage to you for purposes of control.

5. Finally, I cannot help but note your lack of courage in failing to appear at the National Committee meeting on March 1-2, 1986, to defend your position, or at least answer questions from members of the National Committee about your financial manipulations. I recall that you barely escaped with your skin at the Chicago National Committee meeting, a year ago, because of the inadequacy of your answers with regard to your handling of funds raised and expended in the name of the party. If you had nothing to hide, you had nothing to fear in appearing at the National Committee meeting in Los Angeles. Your failure to be present speaks with greater eloquence as to the truth of matters, than does your nine page letter, replete with misrepresentations, delivered by an errand boy incapable of responding to any inquiry as to your stewardship of the funds which you raised and expended, without full and proper accounting, in the name of the Populist Party.

Now, with these preliminaries disposed of, let us look at the specific misrepresentations included in your letter.

LIE NO. 1: Your statement that your Populist Party corporation "was never activated."

Not only was the corporation activated, but it had and has officers, including a treasurer, who filed reports on its behalf with the Federal Election Commission. Further, you opened a bank account in the name of the corporation, and solicited funds in

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the name of the Populist Party which you deposited to the corporate bank account from which you then disbursed funds.

Further, you did not reveal to the elected officers of the party or the Executive Committee the existence of this corporation, and the fact that the acts being done by you were being done in the name of the corporation. I, personally, did not learn of the nature and activities of the corporation until March, 1985, at San Diego, a week or so following the National Committee meeting in Chicago, when I specifically inquired of you about the matter.

In your letter of February 27, 1986, you admit that: " The legal and official existence of the structured party began the instant Fleming Lee, at the party's first national convention in Nashville, on August 18, 1984, read the by-laws, took a vote, and proclaimed their adoption."

I concur with your statement that the legal and official existence of the structured party began at the Nashville convention. My concerns are that, with a legal and official party in existence, with elected officers, and particularly an elected treasurer, why did you not turn the party funds over to the treasurer as the law would seem to require? Why did you continue to solicit funds in the name of the party, an unincorporated association, but deposit and expend them through the corporate account? Why did you not reveal to the officers and Executive Committee that the corporation was functioning in place of the "legal and official" party organization?

You have never provided satisfactory answers to any of these questions, nor do I believe that you can.

LIE NO. 2: That Emmett Miller, the elected treasurer of the Populist Party, audited the books, accounts, and records of your corporate entity at the Executive Committee meeting held in Washington, D.C. on November 24-25, 1984.

I was present at the entire Executive Committee meeting, and I made inquiries with regard to the finances, as did Emmett and other members of the Executive Committee. I saw the materials you presented, and no one would need a degree in accounting to know that it would have been a physical impossibility to audit the books and records from the scanty materials you presented, and in the brief time allowed for review of this material while we were in Washington. The document which you attached to your letter and which you describe as "Emmett's audit written in his own hand," is nothing but a "Summary of Obligations", as the document states on its face, listing the obligations which you claimed were owed by the party, and the cash on hand in the bank account at the time we met.

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It is true, that in an effort to resolve the impasse at the meeting, I moved to acknowledge the debt you presented, providing that certain contingencies were met which would (a) relieve the individual Executive Committee members from any liability for the debt, since we had not been privy to the financial transactions which created it; and (b) that an austerity program go into effect to prevent further indebtedness being incurred. Had you disclosed to the Executive Committee that this debt was really that of the your corporation, and not that of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, I can assure you I would have made no such motion.

Even so the contingencies were never met. Releases of the Executive Committee members from liability were never received from Liberty Lobby, or the Cordite Fidelity Corporation; and you apparently kept adding to the debt outrageous amounts for alleged services which the Executive Committee did not authorize, and had no way to verify.

From November 1984 to the present, you have consistently advocated that the Executive Committee, and elected treasurer, should breach their fiduciary duty to take control of the party's financial transactions. You have objected to the committee's advance consideration and approval of expenditures, and committee review and authorization for payment of bills. As you state in your letter: " I have told you and the Executive Committee many times, the important things to think about are growth, organization, membership, planning ahead and raising funds," in other words, anything except what you are doing with the money. Not only do the Bylaws require that the Executive Committee act on financial matters, but implementation of all the projects you describe is dependent upon our ability to pay for the cost. It is clear to me that we would never be able to accomplish any of these objectives if we allowed the finances of the party to remain in your hands, while you use the funds to subsidize your other ventures, and continue to add to the alleged debt of the party to your entities, keeping the party in perpetual bondage, while the real control over its affairs is not exercised by its elected leadership, but by you and your employees acting as officers of your corporation.

LIE NO. 3: In your letter you describe what you call my "novel theory that there have been two parties...."

You know full well that I believe there to be only one Populist Party, and that is the unincorporated association, created by the national convention in Nashville, Tennessee on August 18, 1984, with officers elected by the convention membership in accord with by-laws adopted by the convention. You concede in your letter that this event was the beginning of the "legal existence of the structured party."

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I hold that your corporation is not a party, but a device through which you are enabled to solicit funds in the name of the party from those who believe they are giving to the party, but whose funds are, in fact, deposited in the corporate account controlled by you, rather than turned over to the elected treasurer and party Executive Committee.

If this has not been your intent, I see no reason why you did not turn the control of the accounts over to the elected treasurer of the party following the national convention in August, 1984, or in November, 1984, following the election, or at least after the election of new officers for the full term at the Chicago National Committee meeting in March, 1985.

LIE NO. 4: You allege in your letter that I "secretly -- and without approval of the Executive Committee -- registered something called 'The Populist Party of the United States' with the F.E.C. on August 5, 1985."

I did no such thing. In fact, I have had no contact of any kind with the Federal Election Commission from the inception of the Populist Party to the present time.

Mrs. Miller, the elected treasurer of the Populist Party, did file with the F.E.C. for a registration number, which she is required by law to do. That number is different and separate from that of your corporation. Mrs. Miller is required to account for the receipts and expenditures of the party. She cannot be expected to report on transactions from accounts of yours over which she has no control, and about which you have provided such inadequate information that no one in his or her right mind would attest to the validity or propriety of the transactions from such accounts.

Finally, both the Executive Committee and the entire National Committee have ratified the acts of Mrs. Miller and the Executive Committee in their effort to protect the financial integrity of the Populist Party.

You fool no one by your continued transmittal of incomplete information to Mrs. Miller, with the demand that she report on the transactions from your accounts. She is not about to sign a report as to your transactions, which she has had no opportunity to verify, thus becoming an unwitting fall guy in F.E.C. proceedings pertaining to your handling of the accounts or your corporate entities.

LIE NO. 5: That Mrs. Miller has acted "without approval of the Executive Committee."

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On January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a motion, made by me, "that the Executive Committee support Mrs. Miller in her position that she is not responsible for filing any report with the Federal Election Commission or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corporation, or 'The Spotlight'."

On March 2, 1986, the entire National Committee adopted a motion stating that the National Committee: "Commends national Treasurer, Faye Miller and the National Executive Committee for all actions they have taken to assure lawful and fiscally responsible management of the party's finances; ratifies the actions of the Treasurer and the Executive Committee taken during the 1985-86 term with regard to party finances; and instructs the Treasurer and Executive Committee to continue the policies expressed in the fiscal motions already adopted by the Executive Committee."

LIE NO. 6: You say in your letter: "You state that party records have not been sent to Faye Miller. Perhaps you are unaware of the volume of material Blayne Hutzel has sent to your treasurer, each one via certified or registered mail, and we have the return receipts to prove it. She has been supplied with literally everything yet we have yet to receive the courtesy of even an acknowledgement."

You know as well as I do that Mrs. Miller has not been supplied with "literally everything". For example, she has not been provided with any list of contributors and amounts contributed to make up the $173,000.00 which you collected in 1985. How could she possibly verify the contribution portion of an F.E.C. report without this backup information?

Second, Mrs. Miller has never received the cancelled checks for the accounts you administer, nor full backup for the expenditures which you have made from the accounts. How can she be expected to verify the expenditure side of an F.E.C. report without this information?

I am not certain that any of us have knowledge of all of the accounts which you opened using one or another form of the name Populist Party. I certainly do not have this information, nor does Mrs. Miller.

I have never noticed that you have any trouble doing a sixth grade math problem, and you don't need any additional schooling to know that no responsible person could verify a report to the F.E.C. based on the incomplete accounting and financial information which you have provided to Mrs. Miller.

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LIE NO. 7: Your claim that Clara Sandahl, a person most of the Executive Committee have never even heard of, is "treasurer of the Populist Party." You state in your letter of February 27, 1986:

"I could take many pages citing inaccuracies and outright misstatements in your letters. For example, you state: 'The fact that the Populist Party, Inc. is a separate entity from the Populist Party, the unincorporated association, is confirmed by a letter from the F.E.C. dated August 22, 1985, to Clara Sandahl, treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc.' Your statement is untrue. The letter is addressed not as you state but to, 'Treasurer of the Populist Party.'"

Specifically what I said in my January 16, 1986 memorandum to the Executive Committee was that: "... on March 13, 1985, the Federal Election Commission addressed a letter to Clara Sandahl, treasurer of Mr. Carto's Populist Party Corporation, stating ...."

My words did not describe the manner of salutation from the F.E.C., but the actual position held by Clara Sandahl. The F.E.C. was apparently duped by you and your employees into believing that Mrs. Sandahl was the treasurer of the Populist Party, which she is not.

The Populist Party has had only two elected treasurers in its brief history: Emmett Miller, who was elected by the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, and who served until his death in January, 1985; and Mrs. Faye Miller, who was elected at the March, 1985 National Committee meeting in Chicago, and who has served continuously from her election to the present time.

I had never heard of Mrs. Sandahl until I began to look into these matters, after March, 1985, when I learned that you were purporting to operate the party's financial affairs through a separate corporation, and I began to make inquiry on that subject.

You state in your letter that Mrs. Miller remains as treasurer of the Populist Party due primarily to my efforts. This is untrue. I am sure that Mrs. Miller could be reelected in her own right at any time, as evidenced by the unanimous vote of the National Committee to support what she has done as treasurer.

You have made repeated efforts to seek Mrs. Miller's removal from the office of treasurer because you could not control her, and because she would not sign reports to the F.E.C. covering transactions from your corporate account, an account over which she had no control, and inadequate information to validate the transactions.

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I remind you that Mrs. Miller was elected by a substantial majority at the National Committee meeting in Chicago in March, 1985, and her acts as treasurer were unanimously ratified by the National Committee one year later at the meeting in Los Angeles on March 2, 1986.

You, by contrast, have never been elected to any office in the party. You have been twice named to the Executive Committee by vote of the elected officers of the party, as allowed by the bylaws, and on April 18, 1986, you were removed by vote of the Executive Committee for your gross breach of fiduciary duty to the Populist Party, its members and contributors. Based upon your record, of which the National Committee members and state party leaders are finally acquiring full knowledge, I don't think that you could beat an asthmatic turtle across a tennis court in a National Committee meeting. When the National Committee held its 1986 annual meeting, at which time your stewardship with regard to party finances was subject to review, you were found neither among the dead, nor the wounded, but among the missing. This is potent testimony as to your personal faith in your ability to defend your record with regard to the party's financial affairs.

LIE NO. 8: You state, with regard to the November 1984 meeting of the Executive Committee in Washington, D.C.: "that I (Carto) suggested that you and Eileen stay at Mrs. Taylor's guest house during your Washington visit for the Executive Committee meeting in 1984, but you summarily rejected this, preferring to take quarters at the vastly expensive Capitol Hill Hotel, at the party's expense, of course."

You are correct in stating that I did reject staying at Mrs. Taylor's guest house, an accommodation which you offered at the party's expense. Instead, I chose to stay at the Capitol Hill Hotel, at my own expense. You know full well that I never billed the party for my stay at the hotel, but paid the bill myself, precisely as I told you I would do when I rejected the Taylor facility.

Not only did I pay my own bill at the hotel, but I registered under my own name, which is something I have noted you do not have the courage to do when you attend party meetings.

LIE NO. 9: You state: "I cannot help but recall... that you told me in 1968, and that you have told others, that you fully expected to make plenty of money out of the American Independent Party, and that your political experience had taught you how money could be made out of the game."

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I never made any such statement to you or anyone else. On the contrary, I worked at considerable financial sacrifice to keep the American Independent Party alive in the difficult period after the Wallace campaign of 1968, while you were working with Nixon's Committee To Re-elect The President (CREEP), Bob Walters, and the American Nazi Party to try to secure removal of the American Independent Party from the California ballot.

LIE NO. 10: You state that Maureen Salaman decided "not to run for the Governorship because of your refusal to supply her with the minimum possible support -- a secretary."

Mrs. Salaman's reasons for not seeking the nomination to run for governor on the American Independent Party ticket are far different than you assert, and are fully explained in her letter to Eileen and me, dated February 10, 1986, a copy of which is attached hereto.

In addition to these 10 deliberate misrepresentations, there are some additional matters discussed in your letter which deserve a passing comment.

1. You shed crocodile tears in your letter over Baron Eichoff of Florida, who was obviously doing your dirty work when he circulated a notice to the members of the Populist Party of Florida discouraging contributions to the national party. Eichoff said: "Many of you have been bombarded with requests from the national Populist Party for membership fees and monthly pledges. As a Florida Populist, you may disregard these mailings."

The dissemination of this material by Eichoff was in direct conformity to the policy which you touted in "The Spotlight" by means of a letter to the editor published on February 3, 1986, which said:

"I have been a dedicated Populist since the inception of the Populist Party, but due to what many perceive to be disarray in the Populist Party at the Executive Committee level, I am hesitant to send any contributions to the Populist Party's national office in San Diego, California.

"For that reason I am sending all of my contributions to my state Populist Party."

This diatribe was followed by two more in a similar vein in the letters to the editor collum of "The Spotlight" on February 17, 1986.

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Finally, "The Spotlight" contained a glowing tribute to Eichoff in the March 31, 1986 edition, the same edition which included a front page attack on the party's elected leadership by your paid henchman, Robert Weems.

It doesn't take too much imagination to see what you and Eichoff are doing.

2. You shed more crocodile tears over the refusal of the Executive Committee to hire your hand picked applicant for "national organizer". I can hardly see why the Executive Committee can be faulted for declining to hire a person who had no political experience, no proved ability to raise funds, whose "success" in business was not documented in any way, and whose semi-literate resume boldly proclaimed that he wanted to get into politics because he wanted to put less time into his work than was required by private business.

3. You make a snide reference to my daughter's work as administrator of the national office of the Populist Party. In your blind malice, you are apparently unprepared to admit that any child of mine could do a good job for the party.

Fortunately, the National Committee disagrees with you. At its recent meeting in Los Angeles, the National Committee unanimously adopted a resolution commending "National Administrator Nancy Shearer for her capable and efficient administration of the Populist Party's national administrative office."

I might add that Nancy's record speaks for itself. After nine months of your administration of the party's affairs, you informed us that you had incurred a debt in our name in excess of a quarter of a million dollars.

After six months of Nancy's work as administrator of the national office, including responsibility for fund raising, the Populist Party has almost $50,000.00 in the bank.

I think that any intelligent person looking at the record would choose Nancy over you, based on that performance.

4. I appreciate your coming forward with explanations of two of the expenditures from your corporate account which I questioned (the Blekeberg and Taylor expenditures), but I also note that you have provided no documentation to support your explanation. I also note that you offer no explanation as to the other two expenditures which I questioned in the same paragraph of my January 14 memorandum (the Bemis and Pariah expenditures). Like much else about your transactions, these expenditures remain unexplained.

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5. You allege in your letter that I condemn Peter Polkiewicz "for designing and manufacturing party emblems and paraphernalia". I don't condemn Polkiewicz. I simply point out that he is an employee of yours; that his operation was financed by you out of money which you raised in the name of the Populist Party, without authority of the Executive Committee; and that with these funds he launched a profit making venture using the party name and emblem.

Mr. Polkiewicz, with your aid and participation, is engaging in a fund raising activity which was not authorized by the Executive Committee. If he wishes to continue, he should account for his transactions, and enter into a profit sharing agreement with the Populist Party. This is not an unreasonable request, and you would certainly be taking a similar stand if someone else was raising money in the name of one of your entities without proper authorization.

6. In your letter, you cast aspersions at the American Independent Party, and perhaps this is a prejudice you picked up when you were working with CREEP, Bob Walters and The American Nazi Party to secure removal of the A.I.P. from the California ballot.

What you cannot escape is the fact that the American Independent Party is permanently ballot qualified in California, has the largest membership of any minority party in any state in the union, is the largest state affiliate of the national Populist Party, and is one of the few ballot qualified state parties in the Populist movement at this time.

I point out that if you had had your way in 1971, there would be no American Independent Party today, but then I acknowledge that a ballot qualified party is unnecessary to you for your fund raising objectives.

7. You accuse the party leadership of accomplishing nothing, but I call to your attention that the American Independent Party in California has fielded a full slate of statewide candidates in the 1986 election. Although you are a resident of California, you did nothing to help bring about this accomplishment. In fact, you haven't even given our statewide candidates a write up in "The Spotlight", while you devote front page coverage to an attack on the party and its elected leadership by Robert Weems, who is even socially unacceptable to the Ku Klux Klan.

8. You misstate the record when you say: "that you and I have never had the slightest disagreement over political philosophy and the party platform Bob and I drew up two years ago."

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As you are well aware, I do not agree with all of your philosophical peculiarities, particularly those which you express through your front group "The Committee For Hysterical Review". I do not believe that Adolf Hitler was one of nature's noblemen, or that the Nazi concentration camps during World War II were operated as five star hotels. Nor do I share your enthusiasm for the Skin Heads, or your apparent view that an American political party should be operated like a Munich beer hall putsch.

The only candidates for office which I see you encouraging in "The Spotlight" are either Nazis, Klansmen, jail birds, or some combination of the above. Contrary to your apparent belief, Nazism is not Populism. Populism is an American philosophy with roots deep in American soil. Nazism is a European aberration which cannot survive in an American atmosphere. It is just the kind of dictatorial socialistic system which caused the exodus from Europe to America of people seeking freedom and opportunity.

The document which you call a party platform, but which has never been approved by any representative body of the party, contains a number of worthwhile and commonly shared sentiments. Neither I, nor most other members of the party, however, agree with all that it contains. I, for instance, am not in favor of foreign aid, which you endorse in the so called platform; nor do I support the implied assault on first amendment rights which you gratuitously included.

Chairman John Couture has commenced action to see that the party has an opportunity to adopt a membership approved platform, and I fully support his decision to do so.

Finally, on the subject of philosophy, I reject, as do all true Populists, your support of the "former" Marxist, Lyndon La Rouche, and his gang of nuts. They, like your Nazi associates, have nothing in common with real Populism.

I further reject your so-called "tri-partisan approach" to elections, which is obviously the current scheme to keep you in good standing with the Republicans for the sake of "Spotlight" subscriptions (the loss of which you lament), while putting the Populist Party, which you no longer control, in cold storage.

In conclusion, and returning to the principal point, you had every opportunity to act honorably and in accord with the law in matters pertaining to the party's finances. You chose to go a different way and now you must live with the unhappy consequences of your breach of fiduciary duty to the party. The Executive Committee gave you every opportunity to put matters right by:

A. Dissolving the corporation which you are operating in the party name, or changing the corporation's name so that it cannot be confused with the Populist Party.

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B. Closing all bank accounts which you operate in the name of the Populist Party, and transmitting the funds remaining therein to the party's elected treasurer, Faye Miller.

C. Ceasing all solicitation of funds in the name of the Populist Party.

D. Cancelling the phony debt which you claim is owed by the party to your various entities, or submitting the records of these entities to a full audit by an auditor selected by the Executive Committee and paid for by the entities whose operation has made the audit necessary.

E. Paying the party the $1,500.00 which you owe it for use of the party's mailing list for a promotional mailing for "The Spotlight", as well as all money collected by you in the name of the Populist Party since September 29, 1985, the date when the Executive Committee instructed you to cease any solicitations in the name of the party.

F. Causing your employee, Peter Polkiewicz, to cease his solicitations in the name of the party until such time as he has made an accounting to the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and entered into an appropriate profit sharing agreement with the party.

I enjoyed your comment that "I have often noted that when a trouble maker accuses someone else of an evil act, he is usually guilty of what he accuses others of." I suspect that you wrote your letter of February 27, 1986 while looking into a mirror.

Be assured that I shall provide a copy of this letter to all those persons known to me to whom you distributed your malicious and deliberately untruthful letter of February 27, 1986.

Sincerely yours,

William K. Shearer

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NATIONAL HEALTH FEDERATION

NONPROFIT HEALTH RIGHTS CORPORATION

MAUREEN KENNEDY SALAMAN
President

February 10, 1986

MR. & MRS. W. SHEARER
8158 Palm Street
Lemon Grove, CA 92045

Dear Eileen & Bill:

I do hope my decision not to run for Governor of California has not hurt you or weakened our friendship.

Please try to understand my circumstances. Two projects which I have been working on for considerable time have come through for me. One is a regular TV show which I will have to have the time to research, write and produce.

My work with C.N.N. has proven successful and I will be taping what I hope to be just the first of many tapes for them in which I offer alternative viewpoints.

These responsibilities, of course, are all above and beyond the regular work load that I carry as N.H.F. president, editor of "Health Freedom News", and columnist for "Let's Live", "Townsend Doctors Newsletter", and "Chiropractic '83", plus my regular weekly radio talk shows.

It is for these reasons that Frank has unequivocally refused to allow me to run.

For, if poverty is a lack of people to help, then I am poverty stricken. I do not have the time to pick up my cleaning at the dry cleaners or function as a normal human being now. To add to that the time it takes to open, read and respond to the added mail that my candidacy would require, the time-consuming phone calls which would need to be responded to, are beyond my capabilities.

I will surely support the parties, ideals and goals wholeheartedly. Whoever you pick to run will have my heartfelt support.

You are good people trying to do a good thing.

Sincerely,

Maureen Salaman

MAUREEN SALAMAN

MS/pm

PS Please share this letter with members of the executive committee, all other concerned parties, and contact the various registrar of voters.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER)
)
v.)
)
POPULIST PARTY OF THE)
UNITED STATES, AND)
FAYE MILLER, TREASURER)
)

RE: MUR 2176

AFFIDAVIT OF FAYE MILLER RE: ALLEGED INDEBTEDNESS OF THE POPULIST PARTY TO LIBERTY LOBBY AND CORDITE FIDELITY CORPORATION

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)s.s.
COUNTY OF MOBILE)

I Faye Miller being duly sworn state that:

1. I am the duly elected Treasurer of the Populist Party of the United States, having been elected to this office by the National Committee of the party at its first annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985. By virtue of this office, I am a member of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party,

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and have served in this capacity continually since March 9, 1985.

2. I am an accountant by profession, and have engaged in this profession continuously since 1951. I am admitted to represent clients in proceedings before the Internal Revenue Service.

3. This affidavit is made to show the history of the allegations of Willis A. Carto, and the corporations which he controls, Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corporation (which publishes "The Spotlight"), and the Populist Party, Inc. that a debt or obligation is owed to one or more of these entities by the Populist Party of the United States. This affidavit is also made to show the actions taken on this matter by the Executive Committee and National Committee of the Populist Party.

4. Filed concurrently with this affidavit is an affidavit of William K. Shearer, parliamentarian of the Populist Party, which traces the history of the Populist Party during the 1984 - 1986 period, and which shows that during the period from on or about February 1984 through my election as treasurer on March 9, 1985, the control of the Populist Party's funds, and the expenditure of said funds, were entirely in the hands of Willis A. Carto, his employees, and entities which he entirely controls.

5. The debt which Mr. Carto and his entities now claim to be

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owing by the Populist Party is alleged to have resulted from the 1984 presidential campaign. It is significant to note that no allegation of any indebtedness on the part of the Populist Party occurred during the campaign itself. Mr. Carto's employees filed reports of receipts and disbursements with the Federal Election Commission during the 1984 period, none of which indicated that there were any debts or obligations owed by the committee. Attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference are the following summary pages of certain reports of receipts and disbursements filed in the name of the Populist Party during the 1984 period:

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A) Report filed July 16, 1984 by Clara Sandahl, covering the period from March 15 through June 30, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the committee. (Exhibit "A")

B) Report filed October 15, 1984 by Clara Sandahl, covering the period from July 1 through September 30, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the committee. (Exhibit "B")

C) Report filed October 29, 1984 by Clara Sandahl, covering the period from October 1 through October 17, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the

committee. (Exhibit "C")

D) Report filed December 7, 1984 by Lois Petersen as assistant treasurer, covering the period from October 18 through November 26, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the committee. (Exhibit "D")

Thus, in official reports filed with the Federal Election Commission covering the entire election period, no debt or obligation of any kind was claimed to be due and owing to any individual or entity by the Populist Party.

6. I am informed and believe that the first time Mr. Carto and/or the entities he controls alleged that the Populist Party was in debt to one or more of these entities occurred on November 24-25, 1984, at the first meeting of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party to be held after the National Convention at nashville, Tennessee on August 19, 1984. Attached hereto as Exhibit "E", and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of the minutes of said meeting. Attached hereto as Exhibits "F", and "G" respectively, and incorporated herein by reference, are two attempts at reconciliation of the alleged obligations, which were compiled by my late husband, Emmett Miller, then treasurer of the national Populist Party, during the course of the meeting in Washington, D.C. These documents, and the minutes, indicate

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that the total alleged indebtedness of the Populist Party at that time was $317,390.17, of which $264,888.80 was owed to Mr. Carto's corporations, Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation. Note that these claims against the Populist Party were being advanced at a time when the official statements of receipts and disbursements filed by Mr. Carto's employees with the Federal Election Commission showed no party debts or obligations owing. I am informed and believe that the figures on the sheets prepared by Emmett Miller were based solely upon information provided by Mr. Carto, and his employees; that no audit of the accounts from which Mr. Carto had transacted business in the name of the Populist Party was made at the Washington meeting; and that no audit could be made due to the short duration of the meeting, and the inadequacy of the information provided by Mr. Carto and his employees with regard to the accounts.

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7. On December 7, 1984, twelve days after the described Executive Committee meeting, Lois Petersen, purporting to act as assistant treasurer of the Populist Party, filed another report with the F.E.C. stating that the Populist Party had no debts or obligations (Exhibit "D"), and, although at the Executive Committee meeting of November 24-25, 1985, Mr. Carto and his employees has been specific to the penny as to the sum alleged to be owed to the Carto controlled corporations by the Populist

Party ($264,888.80), on February 7, 1984, Mrs. Petersen, again purporting to act as assistant treasurer for the Populist Party, addressed a letter to Mr. Paul Kolesa, Federal Election Commission, in which she stated:

> "The POPULIST PARTY is heavily in debt to various creditors, among them firms who have supplied labor, professional services, and facilities. This total amounts to more than $100,000. A fundraising campaign is necessary to liquidate these debts.
>
> "The extreme pressures of the post convention and pre-election period, along with our efforts to gain ballot status across the nation, have made it impossible for us to determine the exact amounts involved in all these catagories. Just as soon as we do, we will submit Schedule D to cover."

A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "H", and incorporated herein by reference.

8. During December, 1984, Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation, each of which listed its address as 300 Independence Avenue S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003, addressed a series of invoices to the Populist Party at 300 Independence Avenue S.E.,

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Washington, D.C. 20003, claiming that the Populist Party was indebted to Liberty Lobby in the sum of $178,720.04 and that the Populist Party was indebted to Cordite Fidelity Corporation in the sum of $40,053.88, for a total debt owing of $218,773.42. On each of these invoices was written the word "intercompany". Copies of said invoices are attached hereto as Exhibit "I", and incorporated herein by reference. The term "intercompany" may refer to the Populist Party, Inc., another Carto controlled corporation, but could not properly refer to the Populist Party, a political party, an unincorporated association.

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9. On January 15, 1985, Lois Petersen, again purporting to act as assistant treasurer for the Populist Party, directed a letter to Mr. Paul Kolesa at the Federal Election Commission, stating that various expenditures such as utilities, rent, and other miscellaneous items had not been reported to the F.E.C. Mrs. Petersen then said:

> "Services were performed and facilities supplied with the understanding that the POPULIST PARTY would promptly reimburse those who provided services or facilities.
>
> "Accordingly, a fundraising campaign is underway, seeking to raise money for all these obligations as well as future party operations.

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"Since we have not yet been able to allocate all the applicable expenses, and since no funds are available now any way for repayment, we would like to hold this in abeyance for several weeks pending the results from our fund raising efforts. As soon as possible after that, we will be glad to submit the additional schedules required."

The official records of the Populist Party reflect no agreement such as that referred to by Mrs. Petersen, and it is significant that on January 15, 1985, in official correspondence to the F.E.C., Mrs. Petersen admitted that the so called creditors were still unable to "allocate all the applicable expenses" to the Populist Party. A copy of Mrs. Petersen's letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "J", and incorporated herein by reference.

10. On February 5, 1985, Lois Petersen, still purporting to act as assistant treasurer of the Populist Party, filed a January 31, 1985 Year End Report of Receipts and Disbursements. In this report, she listed debts and obligations owed by the committee in the total amount of $174,116.42. Of this sum $146,629.00 was alleged to be due and owing to Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight". A copy of the pertinent pages from the report are attached hereto as Exhibit "K", and incorporated herein by reference.

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11. On March 9, 1985, Willis A. Carto appeared at the first National Committee Meeting of the Populist Party at which time he distributed a statement of cash receipts, disbursements, and obligations for the period from November 23, 1984 through March 6, 1985. In this report, Mr. Carto claimed that the Populist Party had obligations in the total sum of $272,565.89, of which $241,836.72 was owed to Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight". A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "L", and incorporated herein by reference.

12. I am informed and believe that sometime after December 31, 1984, the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, separate and distinct from the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, filed a 1984 Virginia corporation income tax return in which it reported under the item Federal Taxable Income (from attached Federal return) a loss of $317,018.00. I am also informed and believe that no Federal return was attached to the Virginia return.

13. Sometime subsequent to June 30, 1985, I received from Blayne Hutzel, the controller of Liberty Lobby, a statement of "Accounts Payable" of the Populist Party. The total amount of said accounts payable was $78,366.10, of which $56,585.89 was alleged to be due to Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight". A copy of said accounts payable statement is attached hereto as Exhibit "M", and

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incorporated herein by reference.

14. On July 18, 1985, Blayne Hutzel addressed a letter to Mr. Fred Seipold, then chairman of the Populist Party, alleging that the Populist Party owed Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight" the sum of $262,074.76. A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "N", and incorporated herein by reference.

15. On March 31, 1986, Mr. Hutzel again sent me a copy of whet he alleged to be the accounts payable of the Populist Party as of that date. The total sum of the payables amounted only to $62,976.89. A copy of said accounts payable statement is attached hereto as Exhibit "O", and incorporated herein by reference.

16. During May, 1986, the Populist Party headquarters received communications from Liberty Lobby, and "The Spotlight" alleging that the party is indebted to Liberty Lobby in the sum of $209,183.83, and to Cordite Fidelity Corporation ("The Spotlight"), in the sum of $90,632.81, for a total obligation alleged of $299,816.64. Copies of said demand letters are attached hereto as Exhibits "P" and "Q" respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

17. The Executive Committee of the Populist Party authorized me

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to reply to the communications attached hereto as Exhibits "P" and "Q", and I did so on or about June 5, 1986. Copies of my replies to Mr. Hutzel and Mr. Sweet are attached hereto as Exhibits "R" and "S" respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

18. On or about August 12, 1985, the officers of the Populist Party, Inc., including Clara Sandahl as Secretary/Treasurer, agreed to hold forever harmless and free from personal liability all members of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party for any and all debts incurred by said corporation at the request of, on behalf of, or for the benefit of the Populist Party of the United States. The agreement states:

> " The above named corporation, through its duly authorized representatives whose signatures appear hereon, recognizes that those persons to whom freedom from liability is granted by this AGREEMENT were, throughout the period of time over which this AGREEMENT holds binding, in no position to preview, assess, support or oppose any of the actions described above. Further it is acknowledged that this condition prevailed through no fault of the persons here excused from liability."

The period of time covered by the agreement includes March

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1, 1984, through March 10, 1985, inclusive. A copy of said agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "T", and incorporated herein by reference.

19. On January 18, 1986, I presented a motion to the Executive Committee which was unanimously approved, and which states:

> "Based upon the information available to the Executive Committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or "The Spotlight". These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships stating that the Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or 2nd or 3rd party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial

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records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party of the United States or its representative."

A copy of the minutes of said meeting are attached hereto as Exhibit "U", and incorporated herein by reference. This action of the Executive Committee was among those ratified by the full National Committee at its meeting in Los Angeles, California on March 2, 1986. No official response to this action has been received from Willis A. Carto or any of the corporate entities which he controls.

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20. I have personally reviewed the reports of receipts and disbursements filed by the Bob Richards for President Committee, F.E.C. Identification #C00191643, for the periods from June 27, 1984 through September 30, 1985. This committee was established under the direction and control of Willis A. Carto, and has been continuously controlled by him and his employees. The reports for the committee were filed with the F.E.C. by Blayne E. Hutzel, assistant treasurer, who is also the controller of Liberty Lobby. The reports filed on behalf of the Richards committee show a pattern, with regard to the alleged indebtedness of the committee, comparable to experience of the Populist Party in dealing with Mr. Carto and his controlled entities. The Richards

Committee reports show the following:

A) Report filed October 22, 1984 for period from June 27 through September 30, 1984. No debts and obligations owed by the committee. A copy of the summary sheet of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "V", and incorporated herein by reference.

B) Report filed October 29, 1984 for period from October 1 through October 17, 1984. No debts and obligations owed by the committee. A copy of the summary sheet of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "W", and incorporated herein by reference.

C) Report filed December 7, 1984 for period from October 18 through November 26, 1984. No debts and obligations owed by the committee. A copy of the summary sheet of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "X", and incorporated herein by reference.

D) It is only after the election was over that any alleged indebtedness of the committee appears. In a report filed with the F.E.C. on February 4, 1985, covering the period from November 26 through December 31, 1984, The Bob Richards for President Committee is alleged to owe debts and

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obligations in the amount of $32,000.61. A copy of the summary sheet for this report is attached hereto as Exhibit "Y", and incorporated herein by reference.

E) The same indebtedness is reported in a report of receipts and disbursements filed on April 23, 1985, covering the period from January 1 through March 31, 1985. Of the $32,000.61 alleged to be owed by the Richards committee $12,364.19 is alleged to be due to "The Spotlight", and $13,480.87 is alleged to be owed to Liberty Lobby. A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "Z", and incorporated herein by reference.

F) Although the Richards campaign had been over for almost 5 months by April 1, 1985, in a report of receipts and disbursements filed July 3, 1985, covering the period from April 1 through June 30, 1985, the indebtedness of the Richards committee leapt upward to $52,042.77, of which $36,732.52 was alleged to be due to Liberty Lobby, and $12,364.19 was alleged to be owed to "The Spotlight". A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "AA", and incorporated herein by reference.

G) In a report filled on October 11, 1985, covering the period from July 1 through September 30, 1985 the Richards

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indebtedness took another jump to $67,318.17. The total figure for debts and obligations on the summary sheet does not agree with the actual total reached by adding the figures in the column entitled "Outstanding Balance At Close Of This Period", on Schedule D-P attached to the report, where the indebtedness of the Richards committee to Liberty Lobby is listed as $54,060.92, and that to "The Spotlight" as $12,364.19 for a total of $67,425.11, a larger sum than is shown as the total at the end of the column. A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "BB", and incorporated herein by reference.

H) The same figures for the Richards committee indebtedness are reflected: (1) in the report filed on January 9, 1986 for the period from October 1 through December 31, 1985. A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "CC", and incorporated herein by reference; and (2) in the report covering the period from January 1 through March 31, 1986, attached hereto as Exhibit "DD", and incorporated herein by reference. Of particular significance with regard to the Richards committee reports is the continuing growth of the alleged indebtedness long after the election campaign was over.

21. I have personally reviewed and analyzed the record of

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contributions received by the Populist Party and the Richards campaign as reported by Mr. Carto's employees to the Federal Election Commission. I have further reviewed and analyzed the amount of money showed by those reports to have been paid to Carto controlled entities: Liberty Lobby, "The Spotlight", and the Committee To Defend Liberty Lobby. In addition, I have reviewed the allegations by Mr. Carto, Liberty Lobby, The Cordite Fidelity Corporation, and their employees with regard to debts alleged to be owed to the Carto entities by the Populist Party and the Richards campaign. This analysis shows that during 1984 a total of $664,895.00 in contributions was received by the Richards campaign and the Populist Party. From this sum, Mr. Carto paid to his non-party entities the sum of $180,315.00 from the bank accounts of the Richards campaign and the Populist Party, Inc. He now alleges that an additional $366,242.00 is due to his non-party entities from the accounts of the Richards campaign and the Populist Party. Should these sums be paid, it would mean that a sum equal to 82% of all of the contributions received on behalf of the Populist Party and the Richards campaign in 1984 would be paid over to the non-party entities of Willis A. Carto, i.e., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corporation, and the Committee To Defend Liberty Lobby. A copy of this recap is attached hereto as Exhibit "EE", and incorporated herein by reference.

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22. This analysis further justifies the position of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party that there should be no payment on any debt alleged to be owed by the Populist Party to Mr. Carto's non-party entities in the absence of a complete audit of all transactions engaged in by Mr. Carto and his entities affecting the Populist Party during the 1984 election, and the post election period to and including the present time.

For the reasons set forth above and each of them, the Populist Party has rejected any claim of indebtedness to the Carto entities in the absence of a complete audit of his accounts.

Executed this 13th day of June 1986.

I declare under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct; that affiant knows the aforegoing facts to her own knowledge, except as to those matters which are set forth on information and belief, and as to those matters affiant believes them to be true; and that if called as a witness to testify to the facts contained herein, affiant is competent to do so.

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Faye B. Miller

Faye Miller

1921 Summer Place Drive West

Mobile, AL 36618

Subscribed and sworn to me on June 13, 1986.

County of Mobile State of Alabama

Notary public in and for said county and state.

My Commission Expires 11-1-87

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For a Political Committee Other T... an Authorized Committee

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ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2 FEC Identification Number

C00186726

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Please check appropriate box)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☒ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-Election Year)

☐ Monthly Report for

☐ Twelfth day report preceding _____ Election on _____ in the State of

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO

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SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 3/15 through 6/30/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ -	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 196,843.50	$ 196,843.50
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 196,843.50	$ 196,843.50
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 183,890.61	$ 183,890.61
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ 12,952.89	$ 12,952.89
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ 50,000.00	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Mara Sandahl

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Mara Sandahl

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

July 16, 1984

Date

For further information contact

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
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ALIGN AREA | POPULIST PARTY | ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

180 Third St., S.E.

City State and ZIP Code

Wash., D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2 FEC Identification Number

C00186726

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate box(es))

(a)
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☑ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year End Report
☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)
☐ Monthly Report for
☐ Twelfth day report preceding _____ (Type of Election) election on _____ in the State of _____
☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of _____
☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?
☐ YES ☑ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 7/1/84 through 9/30/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1 19 84		$
(b) Cash on hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 50,737.40	
(c) Total Receipts from Line 18	$ 268,872.87	$ 504,384.90
(d) Subtotal add Lines 6 (b) and 6 (c) for Column A and Lines 6 (a) and 6 (c) for Column B	$ 319,610.27	$ 504,384.90
7 Total Disbursements from Line 28	$ 317,057.81	$ 501,832.44
8 Cash on hand at Close of Reporting Period Subtract Line 7 from Line 6 (d)	$ 2,552.46	$ 2,552.46
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D	$ -	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Clara Sandahl
(Type or Print Name of Treasurer)

For further information contact

Oct. 12, 1984
SIGNATURE OF TREASURER (Date)

All previous versions of FEC FORM 3 and FEC FORM 3A are obsolete and should no longer be used

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

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1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., SE

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

Identification Number

C00184726

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multi-candidate committee during this Reporting Period on

Date

4 TYPE OF REPORT (check only one)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ [illegible]

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ [illegible]

☐ July 31 Mid-Year Report (Non-Election Year)

☒ Monthly Report ... Oct. 17

☐ Termination Report

☐ Termination Report (Amendment)

on

☐ Year-End Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ Yes ☒ No

SUMMARY

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
Coverage Period 10/1 through 10/17/84		
Cash on hand January 1 this Year		$ -
Cash on hand Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 2,552.[illegible]	
Total Receipts from Line 18	$ 32,750.57	$ 537,135.47
Subtotal (Lines 6(a) and 6(b) for Column A and Lines 6(a) through 6(c) for Column B)	$ 35,[illegible]03	$ 537,135.47
Total Disbursements from Line 28	$ [illegible]	$ [illegible]
Cash on hand at Close of Reporting Period (Subtract Line 7 from Line 6)	$ 2[illegible]	$ 2[illegible]
Debts and Obligations Owed TO This Committee (Itemize on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
Debts and Obligations Owed BY This Committee (Itemize on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Clara Sandell

Oct. 25, 1984

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Date

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

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AREA AREA —

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

2 Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., SE

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

3 FEC Identification Number

C 00186726

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Please see instructions)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ [illegible]

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ [illegible]

☐ July 31 Mid-year Report [illegible]

☐ Monthly Report [illegible]

☐ Twelve day report [illegible]

election on [illegible]

☒ Thirtieth day report following the [illegible]

on Nov. 6 in the State of U.S.

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☐ NO

5 [illegible] ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during the Reporting Period on (Date)

SUMMARY

Reporting Period 10/18/84 through 11/26

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
6(a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84	[redacted]	$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 26,758.00	[redacted]
7 Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 108,615.33	$ [illegible]
8 Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 135,373.33	$ [illegible]
9 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 129,220.[illegible]	$ [illegible]
10 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ 6,153.14	$ 6,[illegible]
11 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	[redacted]
12 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	[redacted]

13 I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Date

Peter Peterson, Asst. Treasurer

Type or Print Name

Signature of Treasurer

Date Signed [illegible]

A [illegible] FORM [illegible]

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

of the

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

of the

POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C.

November 24th & 25th, 1984

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The Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States met in Washington, D. C. in the Liberty Lobby Building, 300 Independence Avenue, S. E., on Friday and Saturday, November 24th and 25th, 1984.

The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by National Chairman William W. Baker who presided. Those Present were the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, James H. Yarbrough, the Secretary, Willis A. Carto, Thomas L. Goodloe, Emmett Miller and William K. Shearer.

Others present with the sanction of the Executive Committee were John Couture, Maureen Salaman, Fred Seipold and Eileen Shearer. Present at the request of the Chairman was Matthew Balik.

Chairman Baker presented an agenda by which he suggested the Executive Committee proceed to consider the following:

1. Current Status of the Party
2. Goals of the Party
3. Necessities of the Party
4. Financial Independence of the Party
5. Results of the 1984 voting and ballot status
6. State Chairmen and State Structures
7. Planning for the March meeting
8. Agenda for the National Committee meeting

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The Executive Committee proceeded to discuss the first point of the Chairman's agenda.

There was a motion by William K. Shearer to admit to full Executive Committee membership the Honorable John Couture from Wisconsin and (Mrs.) Maureen Salaman, the Party's recent Vice Presidential candidate. The motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held on party membership and who were the members of the party, what groups, what economic strata.

Chairman Baker reported on his interview with Braden and Buchanan on "Crossfire" and offered to show the film of it to anyone who wanted to see it during the lunchbreak. He also reported on his 'Klan-Watch' activities and suggested that "we do not have to be too defensive."

Discussion was held on the location of the National Convention for 1988, the apportionment of delegates. The Secretary reported that the party had been invited to hold its 1988 convention in Minneapolis.

It wns moved by Willis Carto and seconded by Thomas Goodloe to discuss the financial situation of the party. It was reported that between March and October of 1984 the party had received $ 235,512.03. Other receipts and disbursements were discussed for various periods of time the final totals were as follows:

Total Received for year	$ 648,833.40
Total Disbursements	621,121.37
Cash on Hand	24,712.03

Obligations over cash on hand were discussed to include out-of-pocket and other obligations; also the encumbered debt of the party. There was also debts of the Richards campaign to be considered.

Treasurer Miller reported that he had not been kept totally informed as to the status of the party's funds. It was agreed without a motion that the Treasurer be kept completely informed.

Financial obligations continued to be discussed. A figure of $ 275,073.92 was finally agreed upon as the total for which the party was obligated.

Revised obligations after additional ones were brought to light bringing the total obligations to $ 317, 390.17. It was reported that some of the obligatory debt was due the SPOTLIGHT for services rendered and the use of personal on a pro rata basis. Otherdiscussions showed obligations for the Richards campaign to be around $ 60,000 for a debt owed Park Lane Press and another $ 16,000 yet outstanding. It was also reported that Bob Richards owes the travel bill and also rental money for Dependable Mailing Lists.

The Executive Committee recessed at 10:40 and reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

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Members of the Executive Committee returned from the recess with $ 21,809.19 in additional obligations and bills due. It was discussed that most of the expenses had gone for attorney's fees and field obligations expenses. It was also reported that no substantial payments of the amount of $ 621,121.37 had gone to Liberty Lobby. At that time Chairman Baker recognized Fred Seipold to report on the legal bills. It was reported that in Alaska there was a bill for $ 654 additional and in Indiana $ 500.00 additional and another $ 225 due in New Jersey.

The conduct of John Armor was discussed.

Reports were received about Maine, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Texas. Further reports were made on the activities of Fippen and Long, attorneys and their bringing a law suit against the party for $ 3,900.

Payments were authorized to attorneys as follows:

Alaska	$ 654.00
New Jersey	975.90
Wyoming	510.00
South Dakota	25.15
Utah	900.00
Virginia	495.08
Plus $ 500 to answer a lawsuit	500.00
	$4060.13

The Executive Committee adjourned for lunch after 1:00 p.m. and reconveneed at 2:40 p.m. There was a further examination of bills which amounted to "a large total with an inability to cover outstanding obligations among which were 1. payroll, 2. functions, 3. litigation, 4. party-building and other."

Chairman Baker recognized Fleming Lee, the General Counsel, to address the Executive Committee about litigations and the F.E.C. He reported that the basic difficulty the party faced in this area was the activities of Bob Richards who recognized a committee to help him. He then gave a history of the Richards efforts and the funds raised through mailing. He reported that candidate Bob Richards had started another committee in Texas. Mr. Lee said that a candidate should have only one campaign committee and that Mr. Richards had organized one which "was improper." Attention was given to the expenses made on Richards's behalf and money given directly to him.

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Mr. Lee reported that virtually all the funds for the Richards campaign came to the original committee but that Mr. Richards disavowed the original committee itself. The F.E.C. advised Richards to merge what resulted in two campaign committees. He reported that Richards said "no compromise." Richards also reportedly complained of "no control" over the committee set up for him. He also reported that the F.E.C. reported that there were "many violations." Also, that Mr. Richards had written a letter to the F.E.C. but that the Populist Party to date had received no notice of a compaint from the F.E.C. The outcome of it all was that Bob Richards had refused to participate in the campaign and a question remained as to whether or not he must return $ 73,000 to the Populist Party.

Mr. Lee reported that the F.E.C. can bear down hard when put under pressure and that Mr. Richards may be investigated by that agency. The F.E.C., he said, has the information but no complaint has been filed. Mr. Lee advised that the Populist Party would have no obligations to Mr. Richards.

There followeddiscussion on the Richards for President campaign and that the deadline for matching funds has not necessarily passed.

Mr. Carto asked Mr. Lee if the Populist Party should sue Bob Richards personally and Mr. Lee advised that "there is no present basis for a Populist Party suit. Discussion then centered around Libertarian activities. Mr. Shearer said that we should consider costs at all time. He referred to "acrimonious philosophical discussion." Mr. Carto moved and Emmect seconded that discussion on this area be postponed until the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee.

The Executive Committee recessed at 4:20 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Committee members expressed concern over the financial situation and discussion followed on that subject. The committee agreed to go on record as accepting the figure of $ 301,887.04 as the total obligation of the party. The Maureen Salaman for Vice President Committee had outstanding credits of $ 9,500 and it was pointed out that the committee for the vice presidential nominee spent less than the amount budgeted.

It was agreed that Emmett Miller and Jim Yarbrough would meet with Blayne Hutzel on Sunday morning to go over more figures.

Mr. Shearer observed that funds will always be short and made some points regarding the party's financial situation.

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Further discussion ensured in re the party's finances and it was reported that allocating personnel costs for services rendered to the Populist Party by both Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT began June 11th. Liberty Lobby services were reported to be separate from The SPOTLIGHT and also Populist Party expenses were separate from those of Bob Richards. The cost accounting procedures would be explained by Blayne Hutzel.

Mr. Carto concluded that the selection of Bob Richards as a Presidential candidate had been a mistake and that the use of the Wendy Fairfield organization had likewise been a mistake. He reported that between the Populist Party and Bob Richards nearly $ 1,000,000 was raised.

Emmmett Miller addressed the committee about the Populist Party and referred to "well-organized elements in California, Wisconsin and the South." He suggested that the party debt be liquidated by an appeal for funds from party members. Mr. Miller also discussed the need for a uniform national ballot qualification law and suggested further that the Populist Party join in such a lobbying effort in concert with other "third" parties.

Chairman Baker then guided the discussions to the establishment of a second bank account for the party and expressed his desire to bring "external funds into the party." He began discussion centering around the Secretary's refusal to arbitrarily sign bank authorization cards whereupon the Secretary referred to the Uniform Commerical Codes prevalent in most of the states and insisted likewise that Executive Committee action was necessary before any such cards were signed.

At that point Counsel Seipold backed up the Secretary's judgment and said that his action in refusing to sign the cards at Chairman Baker's request was exactly proper.

Chairman Baker alluded to the fact that only now had the Executive Committee been getting knowledge of the party's indebtedness. Mr. Shearer spoke to the legal exposure. Mr. Carto rendered his judgment that one of our goals should be to get the Populist Party out of the "SPOTLIGHT orbit."

Mr. Shearer thereupon discussed the responsibility for funds and suggested that a program of disbursements and control of funds should be a matter of procedure. He suggested that the party had obligations to meet all indebtedness and proposed:

1. The Executive Committee has to have oversight.
2. An active Treasurer with two persons signing checks.
3. A monthly report to the Treasurer.
4. The possible establishment of a sinking fund.

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5. That there be no open-ended expenditures.

The Executive Committee showed itself unanimously in agreement with Mr. Shearer's thoughts. No motions were made.

Chairman Baker offered some thoughts on his ideas for a national Populist Party headquarters, a new building. There was some little discussion and the committee adjourned for dinner.

The Committee came back into session following dinner and immediately decided to put all financial questions on hold.

Chairman Baker then called for discussion on the situations in the various states. Reports were heard on all the states from Mr. Yarbrough, Mr. Seipold and the Secretary.

Discussion was held on what the national party was going to be in 1985 and 1986. It was concluded that the party's aims for 1985 & '86 be centered around:

1. Building organizations.
2. Getting petition drives started for 1988.
3. Seeking and running good candidates, and,
4. Weeding out the "creepy crawlers."

It was added that early organizational meetings be held with subsequent meetings and that an emphasis be made to get young people into the party.

Fred Seipold discussed the state party assessment structure.

The meeting recessed at 10:40 p.m. and was scheduled to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. the next day, Sunday the 25th.

The second day of the Executive Committee meeting began at 8:05 a.m. on Sunday, November 20th all members present or appearing shortly thereafter.

Mr. Carto suggested leaving consideration of the states' situations and moving back into financial discussions and the ratio work done by Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT for the Populist Party.

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The Chair recognized committee member Tom Goodloe of California who announced that in view of the financial situation and the indebtedness of the party he felt moved to tender his resignation. He departed the meeting after his announcement and there was no time allowed for discussion of it.

Mr. Shearer spoke to the resignation of Mr. Goodloe and the duties of the Executive Committee and nominated Mr. Fred Seipold of Idaho who was present at the meeting to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Goodloe.

The nomination was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Yarbrough and carried 7-0.

Discussion then ensued in re the costs of office personnel and it was reported that in April of 1984 71% of the time and efforts of certain persons were devoted to the Populist Party; in May the figure was 57%. Mr. Carto explained the bills for advertising.

Mr. Emmett Miller addressed himself to the expenses of the Populist Party with The SPOTLIGHT and discussed "going-in expenses" and "organizational expenses." John Couture emphasized that the party has "got to move forward."

The Chair called for resumption of the discussion of the states individually and suggested that the national office direct a letter to each state chairman.

Mrs. Salaman suggested that no one be present at the meetings of the Executive Committee except resource people and only when needed. The reference was made to Mr. Balik who included himself in the meetings evidently at the sufferance of the Chair and who participated in the discussions of the committee. No motion was offered or acted upon.

It was explained that the two Populist Party telephone lines were paid for by Liberty Lobby and that The SPOTLIGHT had provided printing and other services to the party.

At 11:55 Mr. Shearer moved the Committee recess until 1:15 and it was so ordered and without objection.

The Executive Committee reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

Mr. Shearer suggested that first we must know all of the party's obligations and then spoke to putting everything in context and then proceed with formal motions. The committee seems in agreement with such a procedure.

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Discussion was held about establishing a finance committee to watch day-to-day expenses; also the establishment of a debt fund. It was suggested that a sinking fund be established and supported by assessments upon members. It was thought unlikely that such an action would prove feasible. It was suggested that there be an account known as the 'debt retirement account' and another to be the 'operating account.'

Suggestions were made for establishing spending formulae and a budget. Emmett Miller spoke about making final decisions on the party's financial situation.

Mr. Shearer offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party accept obligations of $ 264,888.80 (due Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation) as the valid and binding debt to be repaid to creditors through fund-raising campaigns to be commenced at the option of the creditors with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the Populist Party establish an operating account with the Security National Bank, Washington, D. C., which fund shall be used for day-to-day administration of the party; and,

"Resolved, that the current account at the Capitol National Bank, Washington, D. C., be used as a debt retirement account and that all expenditures other than debt retirement be approved by the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the individual members of the Executive Committee be absolved of any liability for debt; that all current bills be paid with existing monies as recommended by Mr. Miller's Expense Statement Memo as items #1 thru #24 of 21 November 1984, and, further, that items #31 and #32 and the remainder of the obligations be paid when the funds become available with the meeting of the obligations to be contingent upon each of the creditors providing each member of the Executive Committee with a written absolution of personal liability and/or obligation; and,

"Resolved, that all current bills be paid with existing funds as per the Expense Statement Memo lines 21-24 and lines 31 and 32 with the remainder of the obligations to be paid as the funds become available specifically lines 27-30, line 33, and line 35 on the aforesaid memo and on Mr. Miller's second sheet, lines 1-12.

Mr. Shearer moved the adoption of his resolution which was seconded by Mr. Couture and it was adopted 9-0.

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The Secretary prepared a proper resolution that the Chairman could use to open a bank account for the new operating account. It was read by the Secretary to the Committee and Mr. Seipold moved its adoption; seconded by Mrs. Salaman. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 9-0.

Mrs. Salaman introduced and led discussion on a "Populist Patriotic Pledge Program" calling for $ 10.00 per month from participating members. It was suggested that the program be implemented by The SPOTLIGHT and that Mrs. Salaman handle the mechanics of establishing such a program. It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Seipold that the committee give its approval to the plan. The vote was 7 with two abstentions.

The meeting was recessed by a vote of 8-0 and called back into session at 3:20 p.m. in Executive Session.

The location of the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee was discussed. The By-laws dictated that the meeting be held the second Saturday in March and that a quorum of 26 states would be required to transact business. The plan for proxies was discussed.

It was moved by Mr. Carto and seconded by Mr. Miller that the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee be held in Nashville, Tennessee. There was some discussion to include comments upon the treatment of the Populist Party by the Nashville press. The motion was withdrawn.

The meeting date was mandated to be March 9th, 1985, and it was moved by Mr. Couture and seconded by Mr. Shearer that the meeting be held in Chicago, Illinois. The motion was adopted 8-0 and the Secretary was directed to move forward securing people in the Chicago area to make further arrangements for the said meeting of the National Committee.

Vice Chairman Yarbrouhg presided in the absence of Chairman Baker. The Secretary offered a resoluvtion as follows:

> "Resolved that at all subsquent meetings of the Executive Committee that no person shall sit in on the meetings except members of the Executive Committee and any necessary staff or resource personnel and only at the specific request of the Committee with such staff or resource personnel remaining present only during the necessity of their presence."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his resolution and it was seconded by Mrs. Salaman and adopted 8-0.

The Secretary offered another resolution as follows:

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"Resolved, that Mrs. Eileen Shearer be made an Ex Officio member of the Executive Committee with all the privileges of regular membership except the voting privilege, to include participation in discussion and with a perpetual invitation to attend any meetings of that body."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his motion and it was seconded by Mr. Couture and was adopted 8-0.

Discussion reverted to the March meeting of the National Committee and March 9th was mandated upon a motion adopted 8-0 by Mr. Couture and second by Mr. Shearer directing that the national office send forth the official call and that notice be not less than 30 days before the meeting, and that a statement of assessment be included.

The 1988 Populist National Convention was considered again and the Secretary reiterated the invitation by the Populists of Minnesota to have the convention in the Minneapolis and/or St. Paul, MN, area. No action was taken at this early date.

There was discussion on future programs and objectives. It was approved that there be a distribution of the By-Laws.

The Executive Committee then returned to discussion of the finances. An austerity program would have to be adhered to for the ensuing months, it was agreed. Until March, the committee concluded, there would have to be a "caretaker condition," in the words of Mr. Shearer. The committee dealt with projected necessary expenses such as office, phone and necessary salaries.

The idea of a separate national office as offered for consideration by the Chair was dispensed with and a more realistic approach considered. The Secretary suggested that survival is the first law of nature. Mr. Carto suggested that the 546-5530 number for the Populist Party be retained and offered the gratis services of (Mrs.) Lois Petersen to answer the calls and refer them to coordinators around the nation. That way there would be maintained a national number which would have the unifying effect of a national office.

The Executive Committee unanimously agreed upon the following procedure for a "caretaker situation:"

1. Keep the national office technically in the Liberty Building and accept the offer of Mr. Carto for answering and coordination communication by Mrs. Petersen.

2. Divide the nation into three areas, the eastern, the central and the western, retaining three area coordinating chairmen, and,

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3. That the area coordinating chairman be paid $ 1,000 per month and allowed expenses up to $ 500.

It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Carto that the foregoing conditions acquiesced in by the committe be put into a formal motion and it was adopted 8-0 with the further stipulation that all such payments be made with the approval of the major creditor.

The Secretary then offered the suggestion that if the coordinating chairmen who carried the brunt of the party's work were to be reduced by 1/3rd in their salaries that it seemed logical that the National Chairman be also cut. He put it into the form of a motion which was seconded by Mr. Yarbrough. The motion passed 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining. According to the motion the Chairman would be paid$ 2,000 per month and allowed $ 500 in expenses and further that the Chairman's salary and expenses were ordered to be paid from and out of the independent operating account for which he would henceforth raise his suggested "external funds" and over which he would have control with checks to be signed by himself and the comptroller, Mr. Hutzel.

Mr. Shearer then offered a similar motion stating that "the foregoing motion further constitutes notice to all now in the employ of the party that this is a three-month deal subject to action by the National Executive Committee and ending March 9th and contingent upon the ability to pay future salaries."

The Shearer motion was seconded by Mr. Couture and adopted by a vote of 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining.

There was a motion by Mr. Shearer that the assessments by the national party upon the states (for 1/3d of a year) and the registration fees for the National Committee meeting in March be deposited in the operating account; it was seconded by Mr. Couture and passed 9-0.

The committee then went to discussion of Emmett Miller's idea for a national uniform ballot-qualifcation law. He suggested that such an effort could be coordinated by the Council of State Governments and with Washington State Sen. Jack Metcalf. After discussion the motion was withdrawn temporarily.

The committee then considered a motion by Mr. Carto, seconded by Mr. Shearer that"any majority of the members of the Executive Committee may convene the Executive Committee, with proper notice being given." It was adopted 9-0.

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The Chair then recognized Mr. Carto who led a discussion of various groups who should be courted for their potential interest in and possible support of the Populist Party.

The committee recessed for dinner at 7:15 p.m.

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The committee reconvened at 9:20 p.m. with the Vice Chairman presiding, the Chairman having had to leave to appear on a radio talk show.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough called the meeting to order and discussion returned to the Miller Resolution for a national uniform ballot access law and Mr. Miller offered the following resolution:

> "Resolved, that the Executive Committee authorize the drafting of a Uniform Political Party Ballot Qualification Law for adoption by the various states of the Union in cooperation with other political parties in lobbying efforts, such proposed law to have targeted requirements of certification of national candidates by a national convention attended by delegates from at least one-half (1/2) the states and by petition in statewide situations of 500 qualified electors distributed by congressional districts.

Mr. Miller then spoke to his motion. Mr. Shearer suggested the motion be amended to include that the proposed law be drafted by Mr. Miller and suggested the assistance of Mr. Richard Winger of San Francisco, California, and further suggested that the motion "not be eroded with other ideas." The amendments were so stipulated and Mr. Miller moved its final adoption with the second by Mr. Shearer and it passed 8-0.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough then recognized Mr. Couture who spoke to the necessity of having an organized basis for starting the party's work. He explained his six-tier program which was/is a proposed program for large party membership and leadership expansion. The committee was very receptive to Mr. Couture's remarks and agreed it was needed to improve the membership numbers and the organization andactivities of the Populist Party.

Other short discussions were held and after 11:00 p.m. the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn and to reconvene on March 9th or 10th in Chicago, Ills., 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald L. Kimball

DONALD L. KIMBALL
National Secretary

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Summary of Obligations

- Populist Party 11/24/84.

OBLIGATIONS		RESOURCES	
Liberty Lobby			
←Spotlight	264,888.80	Cash on Hand	27,442.03
Expense Reimbursements	28,467.53		
Payables	15,404.52		
	308,760.85		
Less - Cash on Hand	27,442.03		
= Party Deficit	281,318.82		

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OBLIGATIONS		RESOURCES	
LIBERTY LOBBY + SPOTLIGHT	264,888.80	CASH ON HAND.	27,442.03
TRADE PAYABLES	15,404.52		
EXPENSE REIMB	22,222.69		
TOTAL (STATEMENT ATTACHED)	302,516.01		
ADDITIONAL LIST (ATTACHED)	21,809.19 ~~27,205.50~~		
SUB-TOTAL	~~329,721.51~~ 324,325.20		
BOB RICHARDS CAMPAIGN	20,607.00 ?		
GRAND TOTAL	~~350,328.51~~ 344,832.20		
LESS - CASH ON HAND	27,442.03		
PARTY DEFICIT	~~322,786.48~~ 317,390.17		

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
(202) 546-5530

December 7, 1984

Mr. Paul Kolesa
Federal Election Commission
1325 K St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Kolesa:

Re: ID C 00186726; report for period ending Oct. 17, 1984

In response to yours of November 21, we are glad to supply the following clarification and explanation:

1. This detail covers the payment to American Express of October 17:

9/7/84	Budget Rent A Car	Travel	$358.74
9/5	Taylor Travel	"	69.00
9/7	"	"	69.00
"	"	"	874.00
"	"	"	925.00
			$2,295.74

2. In all cases in which we used "party fee" on Schedule B, we should have said "POPULIST PARTY fee."

3. The POPULIST PARTY is heavily in debt to various creditors, among them firms who have supplied labor, professional services, and facilities. This total amounts to more than $100,000. A fundraising campaign is necessary to liquidate these debts.

The extreme pressures of the post-convention and pre-election period, along with our efforts to gain ballot status across the nation, have made it impossible for us to determine the exact amounts involved in all these categories. Just as soon as we do, we will submit Schedule D to cover.

We trust that this response will be satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Lois Petersen

Lois Petersen
Assistant Treasurer

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INVOICE

December, 1984

: Liberty Lobby, Inc.
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Populist Party
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Support Services

	Personnel	Rent	Total
March, 1984	$7,893.74	$234.90	$8,128.64
April, 1984	31,803.13	1,022.93	32,826.06
May, 1984	17,247.71	695.65	17,943.36
June, 1984	8,131.85	276.40	8,408.25
July, 1984	13,201.61	622.51	13,824.12
August, 1984	20,291.79	607.27	20,899.06
Sepetmber, 1984	16,153.04	683.48	16,836.52
October, 1984	21,824.52	1,238.16	23,062.68
November, 1984	15,035.56	671.09	15,706.65
Total-	$151,582.95	$6,052.39	$157,635.34

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INVOICE

December, 1984

:ty Lobby, Inc.
Independence Ave. S.E.
ington, D.C. 20003

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Independence Ave. S.E.
ington, D.C. 20003

Support Service

Merge/Purge	$1,544.72
Mailing List Rentals	12,417.35
Postage	15.00
Office Expense	156.19
Computer Expense	3,580.08
Professional Fees	250.00
Meeting Expense	33.00
Travel	607.95
Telephone	31.52
Printing	61.00
Publications	3.00
	$18,699.81

butions	$2,205.73	
pense	1,790.04	3,995.77
	TOTAL	$14,704.04

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INVOICE

December, 1984

From: Liberty Lobby, Inc.
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

To: Populist Party
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Support Services

Telephone Expense

April, 1984	$544.43
May, 1984	523.56
June, 1984	664.55
July, 1984	605.86
Aug. 1984	852.82
Sept. 1984	1,479.20
Oct. 1984	877.56
Nov. 1984	832.68
TOTAL	$6,380.66

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Inter company

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INVOICE

December, 1984

From: Cordite Fidelity Corporation
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

To: Populist Party
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Support Services

	Personnel	Rent	Total
April, 1984	$101.46	$39.83	$141.29
May, 1984	5,459.50	196.65	5,656.15
June, 1984	2,466.51	69.00	2,535.51
July, 1984	3,862.91	111.60	3,974.51
Aug. 1984	5,226.82	112.50	5,339.32
Sept. 1984	4,876.74	131.25	5,007.99
Oct. 1984	8,477.37	276.90	8,754.27
Nov. 1984	4,125.58	132.60	4,258.18
TOTAL	$34,596.69	$1,070.33	$35,667.22

Computer Expense		874.25
Consultant Fees		952.38
Travel		2,772.89
		40,266.74
Less- Contributions	$ 30.00	
Office Expense	183.36	213.36
TOTAL		$40,053.38

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
(202) 546-5530

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January 15, 1985

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RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Paul Kolesa
Federal Election Commission
1325 K St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Kolesa:

Re: C00186726

In response to your call, and with further reference to our letter of December 7, some administrative costs have been included on our reports under the heading "party fee." This item included, in some cases, salaries, travel, professional fees, and other expenses.

However, utilities, rent, and other miscellaneous items have not been reported. Services were performed and facilities supplied with the understanding that the POPULIST PARTY would promptly reimburse those who provided services or facilities.

Accordingly, a fundraising campaign is under way, seeking to raise money for all these obligations as well as future party operations.

Since we have not yet been able to allocate all the applicable expenses, and since no funds are available now any way for repayment, we would like to hold this in abeyance for several weeks pending the results from our fundraising efforts. As soon as possible after that, we will be glad to submit the additional schedules required.

If you have any further questions, please contact either Fleming Lee or Bernard DeRemer at 546-5611.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Lois Peterson
Assistant Treasurer

brd

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

RECEIVED BY THE FEC

(Summary Page)

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ALIGN AREA

ALIGNED

1. Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., SE

City, State and ZIP Code

Wash., DC 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2. FEC Identification Number

C00186726

3. ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate block)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☒ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)

☐ Monthly Report for

☐ Twelfth day report preceding the (Type of Election) election on _____ in the State of

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☐ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 11/27 through 12/31/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 6,153.19	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 15,631.04	$ 661,381.84
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 21,784.23	$ 661,381.84
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 19,065.60	$ 658,663.21
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ 2,718.63	$ 2,718.63
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ 174,116.42	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Lois Petersen, Asst. Treasurer
Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Lois Petersen
SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Feb. 4, 1985
Date

For further information contact:

All previous versions of FEC FORM 3 and FEC FORM 3a are obsolete and should no longer be used

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For more information: Fleming Lee or Bernard DeRemer, 546-2011

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SCHEDULE D
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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS
Excluding Loans

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LINE NUMBER A 16
(Use separate schedule for each numbered line)

Name of Committee (in Full) POPULIST PARTY	Amount Outstanding Beginning of This Period	Amount Incurred This Period	Payment This Period	Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period
A Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., S.E. Wash., DC 20003		$16,611.91		16,611.91
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Adv.				
B Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		5,797.44		5,797.44
Nature of Debt (Purpose) support services				
C Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		70,267.79		70,287.79
Nature of Debt (Purpose) support services				
D Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., S.E. Wash., DC 20003	18,019.76			18,019.76
Nature of Debt (Purpose) mailing list rental and serv.				
E Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003	35,912.10			35,912.10
Nature of Debt (Purpose) mailing list rental & serv.				
F Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Amos Press Box 150 Sidney, Ohio 45367	11,485.22	3,990.88		15,476.10
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
G Subtotal This Period (for this page (optional))				
H Total (for this page (this line only))				
I Total Amount of Debts and Obligations (for this page (add lines G and H))				

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SCHEDULE D
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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS
Excluding Loans

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LINE NUMBER
(Use separate schedule for each numbered line)

Name of Committee (in Full) POPULIST PARTY	Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period	Amount Incurred This Period	Payment This Period	Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Dan Pilla 704 Edgerton St. Paul, Minn. 55101		1,265.00		1,265.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) bumper stickers				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Ave. Bethesda, Md. 20814	1,256.46	1,468.10		1,256.46 1,468.10
Nature of Debt (Purpose) computer serv.				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Duplex Prod. Box 92062 Chicago, Ill. 60675	1,066.76			1,066.76
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor District Service Printers 5004 Jackson St. Hyattsville, Md. 20781	1,162.00			1,162.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Systems Publications 1795 Olive St. Capitol Heights, Md. 20743	3,862.00	1,931.00		3,862.00 1,931.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor				
Nature of Debt (Purpose)				

1. SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)
2. TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)
3. TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C (last page only)
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POPULIST PARTY
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Obligations
From November 23, 1984 through March 6, 1985

Cash On Hand 11/23/84	$ 24,712.03
Add: Receipts	110,460.46
Less: Disbursements	95,161.58
Cash On Hand 3/6/85	$ 40,010.91

Obligations

Liberty Lobby and Spotlight		
Advertising	$ 16,611.91	
List Rentals (Names)	59,497.93	
Support Services (Personnel)	1[illegible],215.42	
Support Services (Rent)	5,508.47	
Support Services (Telephone)	5,304.50	
Support Services (Office and Other)	12,098.49	$ 241,856.72
Expense Reimbursements		3,[illegible]6.31
Trade Payables		27,[illegible]4.86
Total Obligations		$ 272,565.89
Cash On Hand 3/6/85		40,010.91
Obligations Over Available Cash		$ 232,554.98

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Name	Date	Number	Amount			Account	Name	Number
Year Ended June 30, 1985								
...k Lace Press, Inc.	4-30-85	25566	7.14			Printing		5827
...ckers Publications	3-28-85	23922	2029			Printing		5827
...Kaiserman, Auerbach, Olsen & Co.	4-30-85	11653	435			Accounting		6073
...k Mailing Service	4-30-85	21481	19125			Mailing Service		5868
...k Mailing Service	4-30-85	21440	56250			Mailing Service		5868
...cutive Systems Inc.	6-30-85	50606	13896			Computer Expense		5808
...cutive Systems Inc.	5-31-85	50217	14693			Computer Expense		5808
...cutive Systems Inc.	4-30-85	50000	12532			Computer Expense		5808
...ed Mail Litigation Inc.	6-7-85	1011	16850			Printing		5827
...ters Incorporated	1-29-85	12363	20086	N	Listed 4-86	Printing		5827
...ters Incorporated	1-29-85	12373	96408	N		Printing		5827
...ters Incorporated	1-30-85	12385	39816	N		Printing		5827
...pital Hill Assoc.	3-28-85	85257	195			Travel		5747
...pot Lights ✓	10-20-84	N/A	112491			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
...berty Lobby ✓	9-9-84	N/A	7500			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
...berty Lobby ✓	10-20-84	N/A	3221			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
...pot Lights ✓	2-28-85	N/A	9812 37			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
...berty Lobby ✓	2-28-85	N/A	3240 25			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
...pot Lights ✓	2-28-85	P-879	2430 45			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	2-28-85	P-880	779 58			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	9-28-84	P-881	3412 72			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-4-84	P-870	2430 45			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-4-84	P-871	779 58			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-15-84	P-872	2430 45			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-15-84	P-873	779 58			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-19-84	P-891	2490 45			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-19-84	P-890	779 58			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-29-84	P-906	779 58			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	10-29-84	P-907	2430 45			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	11-7-84	P-919	2490 45			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	4-4-85	P-938	1000 -			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	3-20-85	P-997	1000 -			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	3-20-85	P-998	1000 -			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	3-20-85	P-999	1000 -			Advertising		6023
...pot Lights ✓	3-20-85	P-1273	1000 -			Advertising		6023
Total		816	783640					

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LIBERTY LOBBY PUBLISHER OF [redacted]

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE:
300 Independence Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D. C. 20003
Phone: 202-Liberty 6-5611

WEST COAST OFFICE:
P.O. Box 45308
Los Angeles, California 90045

Mr. Fred Seipold, Chairman
The Populist Party
2303 N. 44th St.
Suite 14-345
Phoenix, Az. 85008

July 18, 1985

Dear Fred:

Willis asked me to drop you a line and summarize the Populist Party payables to Liberty Lobby and the Spotlight.

Enclosed herewith are copies of the bills for the following:

*	Support Services-Personnel, Rent, Telephone, ect.	$205,448.87
*	Mailing List Rentals	35,013.98
*	Advertising	21,611.91
	TOTAL	$262,074.76

Regards,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

Copy to: Willis A. Carto
William K. Shearer

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Populist Party Accounts Payable 3/31/86

		Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Amount
2	Spot lights	10-10-84	N/A	11 2493
3	Liberty Lobby	9-9-84	N/A	7500
4	Liberty Lobby	10-11-84	N/A	3241
5	Spotlights	2-15-85	N/A	9512 93
6	Liberty Lobby	2-15-85	N/A	3744 75
7	Spotlights	9-28-84	P-829	24304
8	Spotlights	9-28-84	P-830	779 55
9	Spotlight	9-28-84	P-831	441 72
10	Spotlights	10-4-84	P-850	24304
11	Spotlights	10-4-84	P-851	779 55
12	Spotlights	10-11-84	P-871	24304
13	Spotlights	10-11-84	P-872	779 55
14	Spotlights	10-19-84	P-891	24304
15	Spotlights	10-19-84	P-890	779 55
16	Spotlights	11-7-84	P-906	779 55
17	Spotlights	10-29-84	P-907	24304
18	Spotlights	11-5-84	P-919	14900
19	Spotlights	1-31-85	P-925	1000
20	Spotlights	3-20-85	P-917	1000
21	Spotlights	3-20-85	P-953	1000
22	Spotlights	3-7-85	P-996	1000
23	Spotlights	3-26-85	P-173	1000
24				
25				
26	Vankouferen, Auerbach & Olson	4/30/85		4350
27	Executive Systems Inc	6/30/85	506061	1389 60
28	" " "	7/31/85	507065	1744 95
29	" " "	8/31/85	508046	1391 65
30	" " "	9/30/85	509065	1892 50
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LIBERTY LOBBY

300 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.E.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003
PHONE: 202 LIBERTY 6-5611

April 28, 1986

Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Road
San Diego, CA 92120

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is a statement of account from Liberty Lobby, Inc. to the Populist Party dated December 31, 1984, showing an amount due of $209,183.83.

Included in this statement is a FEC estimated amount of $12,435.03 for personnel, rent and telephone expenses for the month of December, 1984, as per their audit report dated April 3, 1986, page 5.

We were patiently holding up this billing awaiting the above-mentioned audit report from the FEC.

This $209,183.83 should not come to you as a complete surprise because a major portion of it was previously approved as an obligation to be paid on November 24, 1984. Therefore, to avoid further action, we kindly request payment in full by Monday, May 12, 1986.

Sincerely,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

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Your Influence Counts . . . USE IT!

LIBERTY LOBBY

300 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
PHONE: 202-LIBERTY 6-5611

STATEMENT

December 31, 1984

To: Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Rd.
Box 211
San Diego, Ca. 92120

Personnel	$151,582.95
Mailing List Rentals	22,946.11
Service for Mailing	7,500.00
Telephone	6,412.18
Rent	6,052.39
Computer	3,334.76
Travel	607.95
Consultant Fees	250.00
Office Expense	159.19
Printing	61.00
Meeting Expense	33.00
Postage	15.00
Sub Total	198,954.53
Add: Estimated cost of Services for December, 1984 (Not included in the above)	12,435.03
Less - Contributions	2,205.73
Total Amount Due 12/31/84	$209,183.83

Your Influence Counts . . . USE IT!

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THE SPOTLIGHT
THE PAPER YOU CAN TRUST

300 INDEPENDENCE AVE., S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
(202) 544-1794

May 9, 1986

Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Road
San Diego, CA 92120

Gentlemen:

Your treasurer, Mr. Emmett Miller, when preparing his report, which was accepted by the Executive Committee, only included known charges payable to Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation by the Populist Party as of November 1984. Additional charges were incurred in late November and December. This fact was noted in the FEC Audit Report which estimated an additional amount due of $12,435.03.

Enclosed is a statement from The SPOTLIGHT for the period ending December 31, 1984 for $90,632.81. You had earlier received a statement from Liberty Lobby for $209,183,83.

SUMMARY

Amount Due Per Mr. Miller's Report		$264,888.80
Amount Due Per statement:		
Liberty Lobby	$209,183.83	
Cordite Fidelity Corp.	90,632.81	299,816.64
Total Additional Billing		$ 34,927.84

This debt must be paid immidiately or legal action will be taken.

Sincerely Yours,

William G. Sweet
Controller

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THE SPOTLIGHT
THE PAPER YOU CAN TRUST

300 Independence Ave., S.E.
Washington, D. C. 20003
(202) 544-1794

STATEMENT

December 31, 1984

To: Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Rd.
San Diego, CA 92120

Mailing List Rentals	$35,912.10
Personnel	34,596.89
Advertising	16,611.91
Travel	2,772.89
Consultant Fees	952.38
Sub-Total	90,846.17
Less- Contribution and Office Expense	213.36
Total Amount Due 12/31/84	90,632.81

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THE POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Administrative Office
3435 Camino del Rio South
Suite 318
San Diego, CA 92108

Mailing Address
6065 Mission Gorge Road
Box 211
San Diego, CA 92120

(619) 282-5614

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WILLIAM K. SHEARER

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June 5, 1986

Mr. Blayne Hutzel
Controller
Liberty Lobby
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Hutzel:

Your letter of April 28, 1986, making demand on the Populist Party for the sum of $209,183.83, has been referred to me, for reply.

It is the position of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party that no sum or sums whatever are due to Liberty Lobby from the Populist Party. You have, as usual, submitted your demand without any documentation in support of your assertion that money is due to Liberty Lobby from the Populist Party.

On October 20, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion requesting of Willis Carto that he provide a complete accounting of the Washington, D.C. account, including statements of deposit and canceled checks. This request was ignored.

On January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a further resolution, stating:

"Based upon the information available to the Executive Committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or 'The Spotlight'. These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships, stating that the Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or to second or third party suppliers and vendors from

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whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit of the Populist Party of the United States or its representatives."

These resolutions, along with other acts of the Executive Committee, were ratified by the full National Committee of the Populist Party at its 1986 annual meeting in Los Angeles, California on March 2, 1986.

On March 8, 1986, the Executive Committee instructed the Chairman of the Populist Party to "write Mr. Carto and inform him that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party does not consider an audit of the accounts maintained in Washington, D.C. in the name of the Populist Party necessary if .... any claim of indebtedness by the Populist Party to the Populist Party, Inc., Cordite Fidelity Corp., 'The Spotlight', and Liberty Lobby is abandoned."

The motion further stated:

"If these conditions are not met, an audit by an independent accounting firm selected by the Executive Committee will be required, with the expense to be borne by those who established these accounts in Washington."

These actions by the Executive Committee of the Populist Party have previously been called to the attention of Mr. Willis Carto by letter from Chairman John M. Couture, dated March 31, 1986, and a copy of which is attached hereto.

I might add that I have reviewed the reports filed by your office in the name of the Populist Party, covering the period from March 15, 1984 through November 26, 1984, none of which indicate that there are any debts or obligations owed by the Populist Party. This lends a strong inference that your allegation of an indebtedness in the amount of $209,183.83 is a post election concoction for fund raising purposes, and not a real debt or obligation. You and Mr. Carto will have to look elsewhere for funds to support your non-party activities.

Sincerely yours,

Faye Miller
Treasurer

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THE POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

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LAVI MILLER

Parliamentarian
WILLIAM SHEARER

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March 31, 1986

Mr. Willis A. Carto
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington D.C. 20003

Dear Willis,

I am writing to you, in accord with the wishes of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, to officially inform you of the actions taken by the Committee with regard to the issues wherein you are at odds with the majority of the members of the Executive Committee, and to seek your compliance with the Committee's mandates. I also hope that this letter will help to resolve, rather than enlarge, the existing problems.

Before going into the position of the Executive Committee, let me say on a personal basis that I am deeply disappointed that you have attacked the Populist Party, and its Executive Committee, charging that we are in "disarray", and have failed to provide leadership, when, in fact, during my six month tenure as chairman, we have made great strides in developing the party. Among the accomplishments of my term, thus far, are the following:

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The Executive Committee believes that the actions we have taken are necessary in order to assure that the conduct of the party's fiscal affairs be in compliance with the bylaws, duly adopted by the membership at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1984, and the requirements of the Federal election laws.

Your compliance with these reasonable requests would do the Populist Party a far better service than the sewing of confusion through attacks on the Populist Party and its Executive Committee, in the pages of "The Spotlight". I certainly do not have any desire to quarrel with you personally, and I believe this is the feeling of the vast majority of those on the Executive Committee. We have taken the steps set forth above only in an effort to assure that the financial affairs of the party are conducted lawfully. I hope you will overcome any hostility which you may feel, and comply with the expressed wishes of the Executive Committee in the interest of compliance with the law, and the wishes of the party's membership as expressed through the bylaws. At the recent meeting of the National Committee the members unanimously ratified the acts of the Executive Committee which I have described in this letter.

Very truly yours,

John M. Couture

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National Chairman

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June 5, 1986

Mr. William G. Sweet
Controller
The Spotlight
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Sweet:

Your letter of April 28, 1986, making demand on the Populist Party for the sum of $299,816.64, has been referred to me, for reply.

It is the position of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party that no sum or sums whatever are due to Cordite Fidelity Corp. or Liberty Lobby from the Populist Party. You have, as usual. submitted your demand without any documentation in support of your assertion that money is due to Cordite Fidelity Corp. or Liberty Lobby from the Populist Party.

On October 20, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion requesting of Willis Carto that he provide a complete accounting of the Washington, D.C. account, including statements of deposit and canceled checks. This request was ignored.

On January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a further resolution, stating:

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On March 8, 1986, the Executive Committee instructed the Chairman of the Populist Party to "write Mr. Carto and inform him that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party does not consider an audit of the accounts maintained in Washington, D.C. in the name of the Populist Party necessary if .... any claim of indebtedness by the Populist Party to the Populist Party, Inc., Cordite Fidelity Corp., 'The Spotlight', and Liberty Lobby is abandoned."

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"If these conditions are not met, an audit by an independent accounting firm selected by the Executive Committee will be required, with the expense to be borne by those who established these accounts in Washington."

These actions by the Executive Committee of the Populist Party have previously been called to the attention of Mr. Willis Carto by letter from Chairman John M. Couture, dated March 31, 1986, and a copy of which is attached hereto.

I might add that I have reviewed the reports filed by your office in the name of the Populist Party, covering the period from March 15, 1984 through November 26, 1984, none of which indicate that there are any debts or obligations owed by the Populist Party. This lends a strong inference that your allegation of an indebtedness in the amount of $299,816.64, is a post election concoction for fund raising purposes, and not a real debt or obligation. You and Mr. Carto will have to look elsewhere for funds to support your non-party activities.

Sincerely yours,

Faye Miller
Treasurer

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Very truly yours,

John M. Couture

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National Chairman

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AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

We, the undersigned, acknowledge and represent ourselves to be duly authorized officers of that corporation known as Populist Party, Inc., which is licensed to do business within the State of Virginia, and which lists as it's primary place of business 6803 Nesbitt Pl., McLean, Va., _____, and we further declare that we possess the power and authority to bind said corporation by our signatures hereon.

The above-named corporation does hereby agree to hold forever harmless and free from personal liability all those persons named in Appendix A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for any and all debts incurred by said corporation at the request of, on behalf of, or for the benefit of The Populist Party of The United States, any agent thereof, or any person(s) or group representing themselves to be The Populist Party of The United States.

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The above-named corporation agrees that the freedom from liability granted herein shall cover the period of time beginning March 1, 1984, and continuing through March 10, 1985, inclusive, and said freedom shall extend in perpetuity.

The above-named corporation, through it's duly authorized representatives whose signatures appear hereon, recognizes that those persons to whom freedom from liability is granted by this AGREEMENT were, throughout the period of time over which this AGREEMENT holds binding, in no position to preview, assess, support or oppose any of the actions described above. Further, it is acknowledged that this condition prevailed through no fault of the persons herein excused from liability.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 12 day of August, 1985.

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Populist Party, Inc.
corporation

by: [signature], title: President

by: [signature], title: Secretary-Treasurer

by: [signature], title: Vice President

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APPENDIX A

Mr. William W. Baker

Mr. James H. Yarbrough

Mr. Donald L. Kimball

Mr. Emmett Miller

Mr. William K. Shearer

Mr. Willis Carto

Mr. John Couture

Mr. Thomas L. Goodloe

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Mrs. Maureen Kennedy Salaman

Mr. Fred R. Seipold

Mrs. Faye Miller

Mr. John Rarick

Mr. Rolland Victor

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The original of this APPENDIX is attached to, and incorporated therein by reference, the original of an AGREEMENT executed by officers of that corporation known as

Populist Party, Inc.,

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on January 18, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, Richard Weimer, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Kimball asked for unanimous consent to change his vote at the previous meeting on adding Mr. Weimer to the executive committee from "no" to "yes".

Mr. Shearer objected to going back in the records and changing votes, but said Mr. Kimball's statement should be added to the record of this meeting.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That a demand be made upon the corporation officers of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia corporation, to do the following:

(1) The corporation chartered in the state of Virginia and known as Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia; or, in lieu of the charter being returned that the corporation change it's name, purpose and intent so as differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States, and make this differentiation clear to the public.

(2) That all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and

(3) That any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease; along with any other reference to Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs Miller moved that:

Based upon the information available to the executive committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships stating that the

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Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or 2nd or 3rd party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party of the United States or its representative.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Shearer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the executive committee support Mrs. Miller in her position that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp. or The Spotlight.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That any and all solicitation of funds, sales of merchandise, or use of logo by any entity without express approval of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States cease immediately and that Graphic Productions be required to account for its unauthorized promotional activities, secure authorization from the Executive Committee, share revenues with the committee, and regularly account for the income from its sales of party materials.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Pope moved that any state party that tells its people not to contribute to the national be removed, and new officers installed with implementation of the motion to be handled by the chairman.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the treasurer make a demand for the $1,500.00 owed to the Populist Party by the Spotlight for use of the mailing list, all money collected by the Populist Party, Inc. since September 29, 1985, and any balance presently in the Populist Party, Inc. account.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Weimer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the party take all steps necessary to see that the Populist Party mailing list is not used by any one but the Populist Party without consent of the executive committee.

Mrs. Miller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Shearer moved that $2,500.00 be alloted for the printing of new literature.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that Mr. Couture be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred for travel while doing Populist Party work, and that Miss Shearer be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred on trips to Oregon and Colorado to organize state parties there, under the supervision of the chairman.

Mr. Kimball seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Kimball moved that Mr. Victor be allotted $500.00 for travel on Populist Party business, to be accounted for to Mrs. Miller.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The possible employment of Howard Carson was discussed, but no motion was offered and the matter was dropped.

The meeting was adjourned with the option of another meeting left to call of the chairman if needed before the National Committee meeting on March 1st and 2nd in Los Angeles, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer, National Administrator

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For a Political Committee (Other Than an Authorized Committee)

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ALIGN AREA

ALIGN AREA

1. Name of Committee (In Full)

BOB RICHARDS FOR PRES.

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported.

2 FEC Identification Number

See letter

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during the Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate boxes)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)

☒ Monthly Report for Oct. 20

☐ Twelfth day report preceding _____ (Type of Election) election on _____ in the State of _____

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of _____

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☑ NO

SUMMARY

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
5 Covering Period 6/27 through 9/30/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ -	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 180,208.85	$ 180,208.85
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 180,208.85	$ 180,208.85
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 183,285.35	$ 183,285.35
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ -3,076.50	$ -3,076.50
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Blayne Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Blayne E. Hutzel

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Oct. 19, 1984

Date

For further information contact:

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Phone No. (202) 223-4088

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

(Summary Page)

ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2 FEC Identification Number

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on ____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate box)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ January 31 Year End Report
☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-Election Year Only)
☒ Monthly Report for Oct. 25
☐ Twelfth day report preceding ____ (Type of Election) election on ____ in the State of ____
☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on ____ in the State of ____
☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?
☐ YES XX☒ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 10/1 through 10/17/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ --3,076.50	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 1,649.50	$ 181,858.35
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ --1,427.00	$ 181,858.35
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 139.92	$ 183,425.27
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ --1,566.92	$ --1,566.92
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

For further information contact:

Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.
Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Blayne E. Hutzel
SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Oct. 25, 1984
Date

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

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ALPHA AREA

Name of Committee (In Full)

BOB RICHARDS FOR PRES.

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

FEC Identification Number

C 00191643

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on (Date)

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate boxes)

(a)
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ January 31 Year End Report
☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)
☐ Monthly Report for
☐ Twelfth day report preceding (Type of Election) election on (Date) in the State of
☒ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on Nov. 6 in the State of U.S.
☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?
☐ YES ☐ NO

SUMMARY

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 10/18/84 through 11/26		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1 of 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ (1,566.92)	
7 Total Receipts (From Line 18)	$ 654.00	$ 182,512.35
8 Subtotal (Add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(b) for Column B)	$ (912.92)	$ 182,512.135
9 Total Disbursements (From Line 28)	$ 20.00	$ 183,445.27
10 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 9 from Line 8)	$ (932.92)	$ (932.92)
11 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	
12 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.
Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Blayne E. Hutzel
Signature of Treasurer

Dec. 6, 1984
Date

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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NOTE: *This report is to be used by an authorized committee of a candidate seeking nomination or election to the Office of President or Vice President of the United States whether or not public funds are used.*

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL: BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT	2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C 00191643
ADDRESS (Number and Street): 130 Third St., S.E.	3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR: ☐ Primary ☒ General
CITY: Wash. / STATE: DC / ZIP CODE: 20003 / ☐ Check if name or address is changed	

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)

- ☐ Amendment for (Report) ____
- ☐ Monthly Report (month) ____
- ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
- ☒ January 31 Year-end Report
- ☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ Termination Report
- ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
- ☐ Thirtieth Day After Election
- TYPE OF ELECTION
- STATE / ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5 COVERING PERIOD — FROM 11/26 — THROUGH 12/31/84

SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	(932.92)
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	1,005.00
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	72.08
	9. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	16.54
	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	32,000.61
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 20e Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel — DATE: 1-31-85

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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NOTE: *This report is to be used by an authorized committee of a candidate seeking nomination or election to the Office of President or Vice President of the United States whether or not public funds are used.*

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00181643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
130 Third St., S.E.

CITY: Wash. | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR: ☐ Primary ☐ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)

☐ Amendment for (Month) _____
☐ Monthly Report (month) _____
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year-end Report
☐ Termination Report
☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
☐ Thirtieth Day After Election

TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5. COVERING PERIOD: FROM 1/1/85 THROUGH 3/31/85

SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	-
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
	9. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	-
	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$32,000.61
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 28e Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel
DATE: 4-22-85

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Washington, D.C. 20463

DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS EXCLUDING LOANS

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LINE NUMBER 12

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DATE AND AMOUNT INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRES.				
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Dependable Lists 33 Irving Pl. New York, N.Y. 10003		6/28/84 7/13/84		565.29 2,526.20
Nature of Debt (Purpose): mailing list rental & serv.				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Capitol Hill Assoc. 201 Pa. Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		8/15/84		2,053.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): travel exp.				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Ave. Bethesda, Md. 20814		8/31/84 10/31/84		873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): computer serv.				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Cantwell-Cleary Co. 2100 Beaver Rd. Landover, Md. 20785		8/3/84		118.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): off. supp.				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		7/27/84		12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing list rental				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		7/12/84 8/31/84		5,000.00 8,440.[illegible]
Nature of Debt (Purpose): mailing list rental & serv.				

1) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)	
2) TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)	$32,000.61
3) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C-P (last page only)	
4) ADD 2) and 3) and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only) Att. 4 p. 296	

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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NOTE: *This report is to be used by an authorized committee of a candidate seeking nomination or election to the Office of President or Vice President of the United States whether or not public funds are used.*

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
130 THIRD STREET, S.E.

CITY: WASHINGTON | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR
☐ Primary ☐ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate box and complete if applicable)
☐ Amendment (for Request)
☐ Monthly Report (month)
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year-end Report
☒ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Termination Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
☐ Thirtieth Day After Election

TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5 COVERING PERIOD: FROM 4/1/85 THROUGH 6/30/85

SUMMARY	6 CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7 TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	-
	8 SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
	9 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	-
	10 CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11 DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	-
	12 DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$52,042.77
	13 EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	-
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14 NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	-
	15 NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 20e Column B from 23 Column B)	-

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF TREASURER
Eugene E. Mitchell, Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER | DATE
Eugene E. Mitchell

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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS EXCLUDING LOANS

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LINE NUMBER 12

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full) BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DATE AND AMOUNT INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., S.E. Washington, DC 20003	5.000 8.480.87	6/1 3.040.34		5.000 8.480.87 3.040.34
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Mailing list rentals				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor THE SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Avenue, S.E. Washington, DC 20003	12.364.19			12.364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Mailing list rentals				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible] Systems [illegible] Avenue [illegible] MD 20914	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible] [illegible] Avenue, S.E. [illegible] DC 20003	2.053.00			2.053.
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible]		4/1 13.770.89 4/1 2.142.02		13.77[illegible] 2.142.[illegible]
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible]		6/1 4.29[illegible].40		4.29[illegible].40
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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NOTE: This report is to be used by an authorized committee of a candidate seeking nomination or election to the Office of President or Vice President of the United States whether or not public funds are used.

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00191643

Address (Number and Street)
130 Third Street, S.E.

City: Washington | State: DC | ZIP Code: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR:
☐ Primary ☐ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)
☐ Amendment for (Report) | ☐ Monthly Report (month)
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report | ☐ January 31 Year-end Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report | ☐ Termination Report
☒ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
☐ Thirtieth Day After Election
Type of Election
State | Election Date

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5. COVERING PERIOD: From 7/1/85 Through 9/30/85

SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
	9. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	
	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$67,318.17
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17b Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 28b Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Blayne E. Hirzel, Assistant Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hirzel | DATE: 10/9/85

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Washington, D.C. 20463

DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS
OWED BY OR TO COMMITTEE

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)				
Bob Richards for President				
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34			5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing List Rentals				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	12,364.19			12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing List Rentals				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Computer Services				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Liberty Lobby 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	2,053.00		(Credit Offset) 186.00	1867.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Travel				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Liberty Lobby	13,770.89 2,142.02		(Credit Offset) 86.00	13,684.89 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Personnel and Rent				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Liberty Lobby	4,298.40	7/1 15,547.40		4,298.40 15,547.40
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Books and Printing				
11 SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
21 TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)				$67,318.17
31 TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C-P (last page only)				
41 ADD 21 and 31 and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only)				

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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NOTE: *This report is to be used by an authorized committee of a candidate seeking nomination or election to the Office of President or Vice President of the United States whether or not public funds are used.*

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL	2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT	C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street): 130 Third Street, SE

CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	
Washington	DC	20003	☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR: ☐ Primary ☐ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)

- ☐ Amendment for (Report)
- ☐ Monthly Report (month)
- ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
- ☒ January 31 Year-end Report
- ☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ Termination Report
- ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
- ☐ Thirtieth Day After Election

TYPE OF ELECTION

STATE	ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5. COVERING PERIOD: FROM 10/1/85 THROUGH 12/31/85

SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
	9. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	
	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$67,318.17
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 30a Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel, Assistant Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel DATE: 1/7/86

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Washington, D.C. 20463

DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS EXCLUDING LOANS

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LINE NUMBER 12

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT				
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34			5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing List Rentals				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	1867.00			1867.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Travel				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	13,684.89 2,142.02			13,684.89 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Personnel and Rent				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	4,298.40 15,547.40			4,298.40 15,547.40
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Books and Printing				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	12,364.19			12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Mailing list Rentals				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Computer Services				
11) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
21) TOTAL This Period (last page only)				$67,312.17
31) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C-P (last page only)				
41) ADD 21 and 31 and enter here and on line of Summary, Page 1 (last page only)				

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
130 Third Street, SE

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR
☐ Primary ☐ General

CITY: Washington | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)
☐ Amendment for (Report)
☐ Monthly Report (month)
☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
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TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5 COVERING PERIOD: FROM 1/1/86 THROUGH 3/31/86

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	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12 DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$67,318.17
	13 EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR TO DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	
	15 NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 20e Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Brayne E. Hutzel, Assistant Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER | DATE

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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS EXCLUDING LOANS

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LINE NUMBER 12

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) ROB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DATE AND AMOUNT INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave SE Washington, DC 20003	5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34			5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34
Nature of Debt (Purpose) MAILING LIST RENTALS				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	1,867.00			1,867.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) TRAVEL				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	13,684.89 2,142.02			13,684.89 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose) PERSONNEL AND RENT				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	4,298.40 15,547.40			4,298.40 15,547.40
Nature of Debt (Purpose) BOOKS AND PRINTING				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave. SE Washington, DC 20003	12,364.19			12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose) MAILING LIST RENTALS				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor EXECUTIVE SYSTEMS 4833 Rugby Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) COMPUTER SERVICES				
11 SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
21 TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)				$67,316.37
31 TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS (from Schedule C-P (last page only))				
41 ADD 21 and 31 and enter here and on line 8 of Summary Page (last page only)				

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RECAP OF CASH RECEIVED BY AND DEBT CLAIMED TO BE OWED TO CARTO ENTITIES - 3-1-84 thru 12.31.84

I CASH RECEIVED BY CARTO ENTITIES

From Richards Campaign D.C office	97685 -	
From Populist Party, Inc D.C office	82630	
Total Cash Received by Carto Entities		180315.

DEBTS CLAIMED BY CARTO ENTITIES TO BE OWED THEM

Richard Campaign D.C office	66425.	
Populist Party	299817	
Debts claimed by Carto Entities		366242.

TOTAL OF CASH REC'D BY AND DEBT CLAIMED TO BE OWED TO CARTO ENTITIES	546,557.

II CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Richards Campaign	113.089	
Populist Party	551806	
Total Contributions Rec'd		664895
		118338

PERCENT Carto Entities' Claims & Recupt to Total Contributions 82%

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CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Populist Party, Inc
Bob Richards for President Campaign
(D.C. office)

Richards Campaign (D.C. office)

Period			
6.27.84 thru 9.30.84 (Revised Copy) (Reference "B")		109781.	
10-1-84 thru	10.17.84	1649	
10-18.84 thru	11.26.84	654	
11.26.84 thru	12.31.84	1005	
1.1.85 thru	3.31.85	0	
Total Contributions Received by Richards Campaign			113089

Populist Party, Inc

Period			
3-15-84 thru	6.30.84	196843.	
7-1-84 thru	9.30.84	208445.	
10-1.84 thru	10.17.84	32751.	
10.18.84 thru	11.26.84	108615	
11.27.84 thru	12.31.84	5152	
			551806
Total Contributions Rec'd by Richards + Populist Party			664895.
Less: Total Cash Rec'd By and Debt Claimed to Be Owed to Carto Entities			546557.
Excess of Contributions over Carto Entities' Receipts & Claims			118338
Percentage of Carto Entities' Receipts + Claims to Total Contributions Received			82%

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

Mr. William K. Shearer
8158 Palm Street
Lemon Grove, California 92045

Re: MUR 2176
Populist Party of the
United States and
Faye Miller, as
treasurer

Dear Mr. Shearer:

On May 23, 1986, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients of a complaint alleging violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

The Commission, on , 1986, determined that on the basis of the information available, there is no reason to believe your clients violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b) by filing a Statement of Organization. Also on that date, the Commission found reason to believe your clients violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(f) by improperly reporting a $30,000 receipt. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action and close its file.

The file in this matter will be made part of the public record within 30 days. Should you wish to submit any additional materials to appear on the public record, please do so within ten days.

The Commission reminds you that receipts your clients receive in the form of transfers from other political party committees must be reported as such on FEC financial disclosure reports. Your clients should take immediate steps to insure that their financial activity is properly reported in the future.

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If you have any questions, please direct them to Robert Raich, the attorney assigned to handle this matter, at (202) 376-8200.

Sincerely,

Joan D. Aikens
Chairman

cc: Faye Miller, Treasurer
Populist Party
P.O. Box 377
Dauphin Island, Alabama 36528

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Michael Piper
208 Fourth Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

RE: MUR 2176

Dear Mr. Piper:

The Federal Election Commission has reviewed the allegations in your complaint received at the Commission on May 16, 1986.

Based on the available information, the Commission determined that there is no reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b), and that there is reason to believe Populist Party of the United States and Faye Miller, as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(f). After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action and close the file in this matter. Accordingly, the file in this matter will become part of the public record within 30 days.

Should additional information come to your attention which you believe establishes a violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, you may file another complaint pursuant to the requirments set forth in 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(1) and 11 C.F.R. § 111.4.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

BY: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER)
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v.)
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POPULIST PARTY OF THE)
UNITED STATES, AND)
FAYE MILLER, TREASURER)
)

RE: MUR 2176

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AFFIDAVIT OF FAYE MILLER
IN RESPONSE TO COMPLAINT

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)s.s.
COUNTY OF MOBILE)

I, Faye Miller, being duly sworn state that:

1. I am the duly elected Treasurer of the Populist Party of the United States, having been elected to this office by the National Committee at its first annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985. By virtue of this office, I am a member of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and have served in this capacity continually since March 9, 1985.

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2. I am an accountant by profession, and have engaged in this profession continuously since 1951. I am admitted to represent clients in proceedings before the Internal Revenue Service.

3. I have reviewed the complaint filed with the Reports and Filing Division of the Federal Election Commission on May 2, 1986 by Michael Collins Piper, and this affidavit is made in response to said complaint.

4. At page 1, paragraph 2 of Mr. Piper's letter, he alleges that I have "submitted false, erroneous and incomplete information" to the Federal Election Commission. The alleged "false, erroneous and incomplete information" is insufficiently identified in the paragraph to permit any response, except a general denial to Mr. Piper's unsubstantiated allegation. Said allegation is denied.

5. At page 1, paragraph 4 of his letter, Mr. Piper claims that he served as the "founding executive director of the national headquarters of the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States." I have reviewed the minutes of the various meetings of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, since its formation, and I am unable to find in any of the minutes a record of any action taken by the Populist Party, or anyone authorized by the Populist Party, appointing Mr. Piper to

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the position he claims to have held. Either Mr. Piper was self appointed to this post without authorization, or the title was conferred upon him without authorization by his employer, Willis A. Carto. I am informed and believe that Mr. Carto, without authorization of the Executive Committee, either paid or caused to be paid to Mr. Piper money collected in the name of the Populist Party, and deposited in the account of the Populist Party, Inc., a separate corporation, dominated and controlled by Mr. Carto; and that a review of the account records of said corporation will reveal at least one such transaction.

6. At page 1, paragraph 6 of Mr. Piper's letter, he alleges that I, "and others in leadership positions in the party are taking measures designed to absolve the party of legitimate debts incurred by the party during its 1984 organizational efforts." This allegation is denied. Filed concurrently with this affidavit is a second affidavit which I have prepared in detail describing the record with regard to the alleged "debt" of the Populist Party, and the actions of the Executive Committee taken with regard to said alleged debt. Mr. Piper fails to disclose in his letter that he is an employee of one or more of the alleged creditor corporations, all of which are controlled by Willis A. Carto, and which claim that money is owed to them by the Populist Party.

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7. At page 1, paragraph 7 of his letter, Mr. Piper alleges that he has information " that the registration of the 'Populist Party of the United States' (F.E.C. #C00201343) was done by Mrs. Miller in order to avoid repayment of these debts." Mr. Piper provides no evidence to support his naked allegation, and the allegation is denied. I filed with the Federal Election Commission on behalf of the Populist Party because 2 U.S.C. Section 432 provides that:

> "Every political committee shall have a treasurer....No expenditure shall be made for or on behalf of a political committee without the authorization of the treasurer or his or her designated agent."

At the time that I became treasurer of the Populist Party, it had no bank account under its control, and its financial affairs were entirely in the hands of Willis A. Carto, and certain of his employees, contrary to my understanding of the requirements of the law. The Executive Committee had been unsuccessful in wresting from Mr. Carto an accounting of the funds raised in the name of the party, and control of the expenditure of said funds. Therefore, I established an official identity of the party with the Federal Election Commission. This was done with the support of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, in an effort to assure that the activities of the party would be conducted in

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accord with the requirements of the Federal Election Law. At no time has the Executive Committee attempted to avoid payment of any legitimate obligation of the Populist Party.

8. At page 2, paragraph 1 of Mr. Piper's letter, he describes the initial registration of the Populist Party by one Clara Sandahl, whom he describes as "its then - treasurer." This registration occurred on or about July 2, 1984, at a time prior to the election of officers by the duly constituted National Convention of the Populist Party. That convention was held on August 17-19, 1984 at which time my late husband, Emmett Miller, was elected treasurer of the Populist Party, a position which he held until his death on January 10, 1985. I am informed and believe that at no time after his election did Mr. Carto or any of his agents and employees, who continued to control the funds received in the name of the Populist Party, inform the Federal Election Commission that the party had an elected treasurer, and the Federal Election Commission was thus deceived into believing that Clara Sandahl continued to be the treasurer of the Populist Party until the date that I first made contact with the commission, filed a statement of organization on behalf of the party, and began to file required reports with the F.E.C. At no time after August 18, 1984, at which time Emmett MIller was elected treasurer of the Populist Party by its National Convention, did Clara Sandahl have any claim to be treasurer of

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the Populist Party. Mrs. Sandahl has never been elected to any office in the Populist Party by its National Convention, National Committee, or National Executive Committee. If she served as a treasurer in any capacity after August 18, 1984, it could only have been as treasurer of Mr. Carto's separate Virginia corporation, the Populist Party, Inc., of which I am informed and believe Mrs. Sandahl is still treasurer.

9. With this affidavit, an affidavit is also being filed of William K. Shearer, who has continuously served by election as parliamentarian of the Populist Party since its organization at Nashville, Tennessee on August 17-19, 1984. Mr. Shearer's affidavit outlines the history of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, as well as that of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, the contacts of these organizations with the Federal Election Commission, and the efforts made by the Executive Committee of the Populist Party to bring the finances of the Populist Party under control of the elected treasurer, as required by law.

10. At page 2, paragraph 2 of his letter, Mr. Piper states that "during the 1984 period...the party...handled its financial transactions out of a bank account established at the National Capitol Bank. The account functioned as the only authorized account of the National Committee of the Populist Party of the

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United States until march of 1985 at which time Mrs. Miller, the newly elected national party treasurer, instituted a second account at the Am South Bank N.A. in Mobile, Alabama." The account to which Mr. Piper refers in his letter is apparently the corporate account of the Populist Party, Inc., not an account of the Populist Party of the United States. At no time have the National Convention, National Committee,or Executive Committee of the Populist Party knowingly authorized the deposit of funds collected in the name of the party in an account controlled by a separate corporate entity. Mr. Carto's actions in conducting the party's financial affairs through the account of a separate corporation was not known to the Executive Committee, was not authorized, and the corporate bank account in which he placed funds collected in the name of the party was never authorized in that form by any official body of the Populist Party. The account was certainly never authorized by any elected treasure of the Populist Party as would seem to be required by 2 U.S.C. Section 432 (a). Further, I am informed and believe that Mr. Carto and his employees have operated one or more additional accounts in which they have deposited funds raised in the name of the Populist Party.

11. In response to Mr. Piper's allegations at page 2, paragraph 3 of his letter, I attach hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporate by reference a copy of a letter which I addressed on June 9, 1986

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to Mr. Bill Baber, Reports Analyst, Reports Analysis Division, Federal Election Commission. This letter sets forth the position of the Populist Party with regard to the $30,000.00 transmitted to me, as treasurer of the Populist Party, by Willis A. Carto, for deposit in the party's official account which I opened after my election as treasurer. As the attached exhibit shows, the funds were solicited in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, but were inappropriately deposited by Mr. Carto in the account of his separate corporate entity, Populist Party, Inc. The money, having been raised in the name of the National Committee of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, should never have been deposited to a corporate account. When it was turned over to me and deposited in the account of the Populist Party, the money reached the destination intended by the contributors in accord with the representations made to them in the fund raising communication, a copy of which is attached hereto as part of Exhibit "A".

12. In response to page 2, paragraph 6 of Mr. Piper's letter, I did not list the Populist Party, Inc., as a " connected organization or affiliated committee" because I did not understand it to be such an organization. No action by any official agency of the Populist Party ever established the Populist Party, Inc. as a "connected organization or affiliated committee". In fact, no such action could have been take prior

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to late March, 1985, since I am informed and believe that prior to that date no member of the Executive committee was informed that the financial affairs of the Populist Party were being transacted through the account of a separate corporate entity. I am further informed and believe that the Populist Party, Inc., and its treasurer Clara Sandahl, filed no report of any kind pertaining to its 1985 transactions with the Federal Election Commission. Mr. Carto, and his employees, insisted that I was responsible for filing the report of the transactions from their account. Even had I desired to do so, I was never provided adequate information to permit me to honestly attest to the transactions by Mr. Carto and his employees from the Washington bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. For instance, I have never received a list of the contributors whose contributions were placed in said account, nor have I ever received copies of the cancelled checks for the account, or complete supporting information for the payments made from the account. Under the circumstances, I was not in a position to report on the transactions from the account, I consider this reporting to be the duty of those who administered the account, and control its records. In this view I have been specifically supported by action of the Executive Committee, and the full National Committee of the Populist Party.

13. My response to Mr. Piper's letter at page 2, paragraph 7, is

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fully set forth in my letter of June 9, 1986 to Mr. Bill Baber, Reports Analyst, Federal Election Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to this affidavit.

14. At page 2, paragraph 8 of his letter, Mr. Piper contends that " the Populist Party as initially registered by the first treasurer, Clara Sandahl, and the Populist Party registered by Faye Miller are one and the same." Any authority Clara Sandahl had to function as "treasurer" of the Populist Party, ended on August 18, 1984 when the national convention elected Emmett Miller as treasurer. From that point forward, Mrs. Sandahl could only have served as the treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc., Mr. Carto's separate corporation. Had Mr. Carto, Mrs. Sandahl, and Mr. Carto's other employees intended that the two organizations be "one and the same", then it is my belief that they would have: (a) Notified the F.E.C. of the election of the treasurer by the National Convention of the Populist Party, and substituted the elected treasurer for Mrs. Sandahl on the F.E.C. reports; (b) Turned over to the elected treasurer the control of the bank account being operated in the name of the party, placed control of the party's financial transactions in the hands of the elected treasure, as required by law; and (c) Made a full accounting of the transactions from the Washington account to the elected treasurer and Executive Committee. In spite of repeated efforts, neither the treasurer nor the Executive Committee of the

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Populist Party have ever been able to secure complete financial recorders for the account operated by Mr. Carto and his employees nor, in spite of various demands, have we been able to secure agreement from Mr. Carto to an independent audit of said account.

15. Neither the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, nor I deny that James Tamburro performed certain services as an attorney in an attempt to qualify the Populist Party for the New Jersey ballot in 1984. A dispute arose over the extent of the services properly performed by Mr. Tamburro, and the sum due Mr. Tamburro for his services. Mr. Tamburro placed his claim before the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and threatened suit if his claim was not paid. The Executive Committee agreed to pay Mr. Tamburro a portion of the sum claimed because: (a) He had provided certain of the services for which he claimed payment; and (b) The Executive Committee was willing to compromise the dispute with Mr. Tamburro in order to avoid a law suit which would potentially have cost substantially more than settlement of Mr. Tamburro's claim. At all times in dealing with the financial affairs of the party, I and the Executive Committee have attempted to differentiate between legitimate claims and false claims, paying legitimate claims, and rejecting those which appear to be false or fraudulent.

16. In response to Mr. Piper's letter at page 3, paragraph 5, I

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point out that there is a difference between a claim made by a third party who has dealt with someone having ostensible authority to act for the Populist Party, and an obligation claimed to be due from entities controlled by the ostensible agent with which the agent has dealt, and in which he has purported to represent both the alleged debtors and creditor. The alleged "debts" which Mr. Piper refers to were certainly not arms length transactions, as is set forth in my second affidavit, filed concurrently with this one. The alleged debts and obligations of the Populist Party to which Mr. Piper refers are the debts claimed to be due from the Populist Party to Mr. Carto's corporations, Liberty Lobby, and the Cordite Fidelity Corporation. The documentary evidence pertaining to these alleged debts lends a strong inference that they are a mere post election concoction for fund raising purposes, and not a legitimate debt due and owing by the Populist Party.

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17. At no time have I ever "acknowledged and accepted the previous debts and obligations incurred by the Populist Party headquarters in Washington," as alleged by Mr. Piper in his letter at page 3, paragraph 9. The Executive Committee which was elected to serve from on or about August 18, 1984 through March 9, 1985 did acknowledge the alleged obligations, but only on the basis of incomplete and inaccurate information provided the Executive Committee by Mr. Carto and his employees. The

Executive Committee of the Populist Party which was elected to serve from March 10, 1985 through the National Committee meeting in March, 1989, has specifically rejected the obligations alleged to be due and owing by Mr. Carto, and Mr. Piper in the absence of a complete audit of the accounts administered by Mr. Carto and his employees. No such audit has ever been agreed to by Mr. Carto, or any of the entities which he controls.

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18. At page 3, paragraph 12 of his letter, Mr. Piper states that Clara Sandahl filed her statement of organization with the Federal Election Commission in the name of the National Committee of the Populist Party. Technically, the Populist Party did not have a National Committee until August 18, 1984, at which time the bylaws of the party were adopted as is shown by the affidavit of William K. Shearer which accompanies this affidavit, and the bylaws of the Populist Party, which are attached as an exhibit to the Shearer affidavit. The bylaws established the National Committee. The National Committee of the Populist Party, formed pursuant to the bylaws, held its first meeting on March 9-10, 1985 at Chicago, Illinois, as is reflected in the documents attached to the affidavit of Mr. Shearer. The officers of the party, elected by the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, on August 18, 1984, were authorized to function as the governing body of the party during the interim period between the National Convention and the first meeting of the National

Committee in March, 1985.

19. In response to Mr. Piper's letter at page 4, paragraph 2, Blayne Hutzel, controller of Mr. Carto's corporate entity, first attempted to retain control of all F.E.C. filings of the party in the hands of Mr. Carto and his employees in Washington. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B", and incorporated herein by reference, is a copy of a letter to me from Mr. Hutzel, asking me to regularly transmit to him all of the party's financial records. I refused to do so. Two months later, he changed his tune and took the position that I was supposed to report to the F.E.C. on the transactions of the Washington account of the Populist Party, Inc. Attached hereto as Exhibit "C", and incorporated herein by reference, is Mr. Hutzel's letter to this effect. Some two and a half months later, Mr. Hutzel transmitted to me, with a personal note, an "amended" Statement of Organization which he wanted me to file with the F.E.C. The note and form are attached hereto as Exhibit "D", and are incorporated herein by reference. I declined to file Mr. Hutzel's amended Statement of Organization because I was not provided sufficient information by Mr. Carto and his employees to assume responsibility for the acts performed by Mr. Carto and his employees through the bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. in Washington, D.C. I believed then, and believe now that Mr. Carto and his employees were attempting to cause the Populist Party, and me as its treasurer, to assume

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liability for their acts in soliciting funds in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, depositing these funds in the account of a separate corporation, and the payment of money for unexplained purposes from that separate account. I do not believe that I could ethically or responsibly have assumed for the Populist Party, or for myself, liability for transactions over which neither I nor the elected Executive Committee of the party had control, and as to which we had no full or complete records or explanation

20. I concur with Mr. Piper's statement at page 4, paragraph 3 of his letter, that: "There is one Populist Party of the United States." I further concur with his statement that I am the treasurer of the one and only Populist Party. I deny that the party is "heavily in debt", and further state in response that in addition to the one Populist Party, there is also a separate corporate entity, the Populist Party, Inc., which has solicited funds in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, and has deposited these funds in the corporate account, contrary to the representations of the solicitation mailings, and contrary to the intent of the contributors. I further assert that there are at least two additional corporations, Liberty Lobby and the Cordite Fidelity Corporation, controlled by Willis A. Carto, which have falsely alleged indebtedness to them by the Populist Party, and that this has

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been done for purposes of conducting continuing fund raising activities in the name of the Populist Party, while the funds received from said solicitations are to be diverted to the use of Mr. Carto's other corporate entities.

21. At page 4, paragraph 4 of Mr. Piper's letter, he refers to a letter addressed to the Federal Election Commission by Clara Sandahl. No response is possible to this letter, since a copy was not attached to the complaint as transmitted to me, and I am not aware of the contents of the undisclosed document.

22. At page 4, paragraph 7 of his letter, Mr Piper again fails to disclose that he is an employee of Willis A. Carto and/or the corporate entities controlled by Mr. Carto which allege that they are creditors of the Populist Party.

23. I submit that there is no merit to the complaint filled by Mr. Piper, and that said complaint should be dismissed by the Federal Election Commission.

Executed this 13th day of June 1986.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct; that affiant knows the foregoing facts to her own knowledge, except as to those matters which are set forth on

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information and belief, and as to those matters affiant believes them to be true; and that if called as a witness to testify to the facts contained herein, affiant is competent to do so.

Faye G. Miller

Faye Miller

1921 Summer Place Drive West

Mobile, AL 36618

Subscribed and sworn to me, on June 13, 1986.

County of Mobile State of Alabama

Notary public in and for said county and state.

My Commission Expires 11-1-87

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Exhibit "A"

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June 9, 1986

Mr. Bill Baber, Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Identification Number C00201343: Year End Report (7/1/85 - 12/31/85) and Mid-Year Report (3/10/85 - 6/30/85)

Dear Mr. Baber:

This letter will acknowledge your communication of April 30, 1986, making inquiry about money described in my report, at lines 11 (b) & (c), as "Partial reimbursement of funds collected by Populist Party, Inc." The actual amount subject to this description is $30,000.00 and appears in column B (Calendar Year To Date) at line 11 (c). This sum was received by me on or about March, 1985, and not during the reporting period from July 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985.

I have discussed your communication with the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and the Executive Committee respectfully declines to refund the $30,000.00 to the Populist Party, Inc., since the money was raised in the name of the Populist Party, not that of the corporation; the funds were received in a non-election year and used for administrative purposes, not in an election campaign; the funds should not have been deposited in the corporate account in the first place; and the Populist Party, Inc. does not appear to be a corporation from whom a contribution is prohibited under the terms of 2 U.S.C. Section 441b.

As you may be aware, the Populist Party is now, and has always been an unincorporated association. The Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, was organized, at the direction of Willis A. Carto by certain of his employees, in March of 1984, and a bank account was opened in the name of the corporation.

The Populist Party, an unincorporated association did not elect officers until August, 1984, at the party's first national convention at Nashville, Tennessee. Meanwhile, on or about July, 1984, Mr. Carto's employees filed a statement of organization with the Federal Election Commission in the name of the Populist Party, received an identification number (C00186726), and listed as the party's treasurer one Clara Sandahl, the treasurer of Mr. Carto's Populist Party, Inc.

At the Nashville convention in August, 1984, the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, elected its first officers, including my late husband, Emmett Miller, as treasurer. Nevertheless, Mr. Carto and his employees:

(1) Provided to the elected treasurer no information with regard to the party's accounts;

(2) Continued to deposit contributions, all of which were solicited in the name of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, in the corporate account, and to pay bills from the corporate account;

(3) Made no report to the F.E.C. that the party now had an elected treasurer who was properly responsible for the financial transactions of the Populist Party; and

(4) Concealed from the duly elected officers of the party that the financial affairs of the Populist Party were being transacted from the account of a separate corporate entity.

With this letter, you will find an affidavit by William K. Shearer, who has continuously served by election as an officer (parliamentarian) of the Populist Party since its organization at Nashville in August, 1984. His affidavit outlines the history of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, as well as that of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, the contacts of these organizations with the Federal Election Commission, and the efforts made by the Executive Committee of the Populist Party to bring the finances of the Populist Party under control of the elected treasurer, as required by law.

On or about November 24, 1984, the Populist Party had little operating money with which to conduct its ongoing activities. Mr. Carto proposed to do a fund raising mailing in behalf of the Populist Party, and was authorized to so proceed. The solicitation letter was disseminated on or about the end of January, 1985, over the signature of former Rep. John R. Rarick, an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee. A copy of the fund raising letter, and all matter which accompanied it are attached hereto as Exhibit A. You will note that all references to the Populist Party are to an unincorporated association. At no place does the word "Inc." appear in connection with the name

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Populist Party. Funds received from this mailing accounted for most of the approximately $173,000.00 which Mr. Carto received in the name of the Populist Party during the calendar year 1985. These funds were, to the best of my knowledge, deposited to the account of the Populist Party, Inc., Mr. Carto's Virginia non-stock corporation.

Unfortunately, during the January - February 1985 period, there was no elected treasurer of the Populist Party to attempt to assert authority over Mr. Carto's activities. My husband, Emmett Miller, who was elected treasurer at the August 1984 convention, was hospitalized shortly after the November 24, 1984 Executive Committee meeting in Washington, D.C., and died on January 10, 1985. From that time, until my election as treasurer at the first National Committee meeting of the party, on March 9, 1985, there was no elected treasurer.

At the executive committee meeting on March 10, 1985, which followed my election as treasurer, a demand was made on Mr. Carto that he turn over to the elected treasurer the funds which he had solicited in the name of the Populist Party. At this time, the members of the Executive Committee were still unaware that the funds had been deposited in the account of a separate corporate entity. Mr. Carto agreed to turn over to me, as treasurer of the Populist Party, the sum of $30,000.00, which he did, by check, on or about March 14, 1985. This is the $30,000.00 which appears on the report I filed with the F.E.C. and about which you have made inquiry.

The money was raised in the name of the National Committee of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association. It should never have been deposited to a corporate account, and when it was turned over to me and deposited in the account of the Populist Party, the money reached the destination intended by the contributors in accord with the representations made to them in the fund raising communication. It would be totally inappropriate to require the Populist Party to return the $30,000.00 to a corporate entity which had no right to the money in the first place, and which, under the kindest assumption, incorrectly deposited the money in a corporate account. Another possible assumption is that the money was deliberately solicited by Mr. Carto under false pretenses with the intent to divert contributions to the separate corporation.

As is set forth in the affidavit of William K. Shearer, which accompanies this letter, Mr. Carto's Populist Party, Inc. does not meet the definition of a "political party" or the definition of a "national committee" of a political party as contained in 2 U.S.C. section 431, subsections (m) and (k).

Further, the $30,000.00 was received, and expended by the Populist Party solely for administrative purposes during the

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calendar year 1985. None of the money was used in connection with an election, either Federal or State. The kind of contributions barred by 2 U.S.C. Section 441b (a) would seem to be a corporate "contribution or expenditure in connection with any election at which presidential and vice-presidential electors or a Senator or Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, Congress are to be voted for, or in connection with any primary election, or any political convention or caucus held to select candidates for any of the foregoing offices...."

Finally, 2 U.S.C. section 441b (b) (2) excludes from the term "contribution or expenditure" the "solicitation of contributions to a separate segregated fund to be utilized for political purposes by a ... corporation without capital stock." The Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia corporation, is a nonstock corporation.

Therefore, for the foregoing reasons, and each of them, the Populist Party will not refund any portion of the $30,000.00 to the Populist Party, Inc.

Trusting that this response will satisfy your inquiry, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Faye Miller
Treasurer

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If your Country has a future as an independent nation, that future is Populist . . .



From the desk of
JOHN R. RARICK

BUT, if America is to be submerged into an international swamp, with our precious, blood-bought Constitution canceled by a world economic-political government, the Republican Party and the Democratic Party will be GUILTY of that crime.

Both major parties strongly support internationalism. "America First" is now virtually a dirty name to leaders of the "two" parties.

Now I have been a Democrat all my political life. I served in the House of Representatives for eight years from the Sixth District of Louisiana and before that five years as an elected state judge.

As a Democrat I did all I could to work for Constitutional principles and for American sovereignty.

My record shows it. I am very proud of that record.

Unfortunately, I learned the hard way that as a member of either party you must either "play ball" with the powers that be . . . or else.

The Democrats took away my seniority in 1969, making me a "freshman" in the committees I served. They did this because I persisted in voting and acting according to my conscience instead of the party line.

I was punished for political heresy. For standing up for America.

WHY I AM NOT A REPUBLICAN

Do I hear you ask me, "Then why don't you join the Republican Party?" If that is your question, let me give you only two (out of many) very recent reasons why I'm not joining the Republicans.

Do you remember what Bob Dole--the Republican leader of the Senate and one of the most powerful Republicans in America--had to say right after the Republican Platform Committee brought in their report during the GOP convention in Dallas, last year?

If you watched television, you will recall that a large group of patriotic, mainstream Americans had worked long and hard to hammer out a platform. Since they pretty much represented the Republican grassroots, it was conservative, reflecting the party membership, not David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations or the Trilateral Commission.

Dole was asked by a liberal reporter how long it would take the Republican leadership to forget about the platform.

"About as long as it takes to pack our bags," he sneered.

If that doesn't make you see red, what will?

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It beats me how any self-respecting American can support the Republican Party after Dole's contemptuous comment.

Dole, remember, is one of the most powerful men in Washington. He is a vigorous proponent of higher taxes. For YOU. Even as thousands of farmers in his state--Kansas--are going bankrupt, thanks to the Republican free trade and high-interest banker-dictated policies he promotes, Dole demands higher taxes to pay for increased foreign aid and the interest on the so-called "national debt."

(As you know, the "national debt" has been created by bankers literally out of nothing. But you are forced to pay exorbitant interest on it out of your earnings. You should read Don Kimball's new book on this subject.)

Because the newspapers in Kansas are controlled by the banks and the liberals, the voters in that state aren't told the truth about Dole. They think he is "conservative"!

THE GREAT "CONSERVATIVE" FLIM-FLAM

The horrifying fact is that, under a "conservative" banker-controlled president, the Republican Party is dropping all pretense that it is nationalistic and in tune with the Republican mainstream. Just the other day, 35 "conservative" Republican congressmen signed an inflammatory letter to the ambassador from South Africa which could well have been written in Moscow. Joining the most liberal of the Democrats, like Rep. Steven Solarz and Sen. Teddy Kennedy, they threatened dire consequences unless that country immediately does away with apartheid.

One of the signers, Vin Weber, of Minnesota, later explained. Writing in the liberal Washington Post, he said: "WE MUST ESTABLISH THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AS AMERICA'S NEW INTERNATIONALIST PARTY."

Weber said that many Republicans might think this is "treason."

You can forget about the Republicans as you can forget about the Democrats. Both are totally controlled puppets of the internationalists.

I AM A POPULIST

Like so many thousands of former Republicans and Democrats who put their country ahead of their traditional party loyalty, I am now a proud member of the Populist Party.

It took the rebirth of the one and only party which has always stood for American principles to make me realize that I have been a populist all my life.

> I HAVE ALWAYS REVERED THE CONSTITUTION. I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AN AMERICAN FIRST. I HAVE ALWAYS OPPOSED COMMUNISM AND SOCIALISM. I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE SHOULD BE SERVED AHEAD OF THE BANKS AND THE MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND THE LISPING "INTELLECTUALS."

And I plan to devote all of the time and money I can spare from now on supporting and helping to build the Populist Party.

(Have you noticed many politicians suddenly calling themselves "populist" since our party has re-appeared? Don't let them fool you. Only one party stands for the Jeffersonian principles of populism.)

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A POLITICAL MIRACLE

Last year you and I witnessed one of the great political miracles of our time. Almost entirely unnoticed by the press, the Populist Party was reborn and, in a mere eight months, had become an organized and permanent presence on the American scene.

Starting its organizing in March, the party had its first convention since 1896 in September. It nominated candidates and--considering the limited time and funds at its disposal--did far better than any other "third" party, including some which have been active for many years and spent millions.

I'll include a reprint of an article which appeared in The SPOTLIGHT giving the incredible vote. This is an astounding performance. This is the most encouraging thing to happen in years.

Starting to organize in March, the party held its first national convention since 1896 in September and nominated two outstanding candidates for president and vice-president. By October party organizations were functioning in 49 states and the party was on the ballot in 14.

On election day the party received almost as many votes as other "third" parties which have been active for years, and which raised millions of dollars.

This is an astounding record for a fledgling party. I'll enclose reprints from The SPOTLIGHT which detail this historic achievement.

I don't know about you, but to me, this is the most encouraging thing to happen in years! All is NOT lost. We have built a solid foundation for a major new party. Now we must go forward and build that party. We need three things: ORGANIZATION, LEADERSHIP, and FUNDING.

ORGANIZATION

Although the future of the Populist Party is very bright, there are also immediate and pressing problems. There is no time to lose.

Enormous strides have been made setting up state committees and gaining ballot position. Now we must begin the task of organizing the party down to the local level. We have to set up party committees in every county, every precinct.

WE MUST BEGIN NOW. WE CANNOT WAIT. WE MUST PREPARE TO RUN CANDIDATES FOR LOCAL, STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES NEXT YEAR--1986. AND THERE WILL BE A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN 1988!

LEADERSHIP

Leadership is another pressing and urgent need. We need hard workers and leaders. We need candidates. We need fundraisers. We need to get more young people involved. So please get in touch with your chairman of the party in your state if you haven't already. GET ACTIVE WITH YOUR POPULIST PARTY!

FUNDING

This brings me to our greatest weakness, our lack of funds. Our potential is almost unlimited but our means available are pathetic. But this is natural. The strength of populism is also its weakness. Populism stands for the people but in politics today the money comes from the special interests. Obviously,

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David Rockefeller and his Big Buck Banking Cabal are not standing in the background with their checkbooks. Their money is for the Republicrats and the smaller parties which promote their interests, such as free trade and higher taxes. They will do all they can to frustrate us.

The money to support populism must come from the people it benefits, not the special interests.

That's why we need your help desperately if the Populist Party is to grow --if it is to survive. We must pay off the party debt (almost $200,000) and move forward.

In addition to paying off the debt we need at least a million dollars to finance our activities this year of 1986--this critical year when there is so much to be done!

The Populist Party offers Hope. It may be the last chance you and I have to save America--to painfully pull it back from the brink of the final plunge into the fetid swamp of national destruction. The internationalists --who are very near to dissolving our national independence and our Constitution in a capitalist/Marxist world economic union--must be stopped before it is too late!

AND IT IS NEARLY TOO LATE!

This is why I appeal to you to meet this challenge the only way it can be met--with a new party--the Populist Party.

PLEASE help in every way you can. Otherwise, George Orwell's "1984" will be delayed no longer.

Yours, for the Constitution

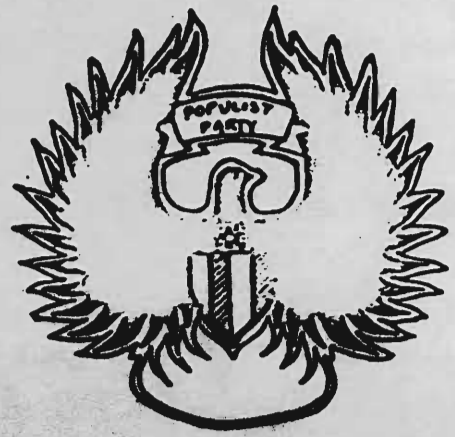
JOHN R. RARICK

P.S. I almost forgot. Don Kimball, our Central States Coordinator and secretary of our Executive Committee, has just written a truly great book, The Money and the Power. You must have this 160-page book; it is truly outstanding. I've never read any book which explains the historic money question so well, so clearly, so persuasively. It is truly a superb primer, perfect to give to someone who doesn't understand the total fraud of our dishonest money system. If you contribute $20 or more I will send you a free copy of this $6 book.

Contribute to the party and get up to a $50 tax credit on your 1985 return — $100 for a joint return!

POPULIST PARTY
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POPULISM—

the Wave of the Future.

☐ Please send me further information about the Populist Party.

☐ Yes, I want to become a supporting member of the Populist Party National Committee. I'm enclosing $15 in annual dues.

☐ I wish to contribute to the Populist Party's national campaign fund. I am enclosing $_____.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Send to:
POPULIST PARTY NATIONAL COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 76737
Washington, D.C. 20013
Telephone: (202) 546-5530

The Populist Party platform is based on the simple premise:

Power to the People—
Not to the Special Interests

The Populist Party Places AMERICA First

The principles of Populism are as fresh today as they were when America's first populist, Thomas Jefferson, penned the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

The new Populist Party was established in Washington, D.C. on February 29, 1984 and is organized in every state. In the recent presidential election the party's candidates for president and vice president were on the ballot in 14 states. By 1988 the party expects to have ballot status in every state.

If you want to help the Populist Party in this state contact:

Local Populist Party units may put their own address here.

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Are YOU a Populist?

Check your positions on the issues against those of the various political parties as listed on the chart inside and see where you stand.

Are you a Populist?

Find out.

WHERE DO *YOU* STAND ON THE ISSUES?

MAJOR ISSUE	COMMUNIST PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	REPUBLICAN PARTY	POPULIST PARTY	YOUR POSITION
REPEAL THE FEDERAL INCOME TAX on the wages of the working middle class, which currently bears most of the tax burden.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT AMERICAN JOBS AND INDUSTRY from foreign competition. Institute fair tariff laws to equalize production costs at the water's edge. Promote domestic enterprise. Restrict immigration to protect employment for American workers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP INFLATION, BRING DOWN INTEREST RATES, AND PREVENT NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY by abolishing the private banking monopoly known as the Federal Reserve System which maintains a profitable deadlock on our economy at the expense of America's workers, farmers and small businessmen.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE. Establish a military which is second-to-none. Cease shipments of advanced technology and military equipment to enemy nations. Defend America, not the world.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT THE RIGHT OF LAW-ABIDING HOMEOWNERS AND SPORTSMEN to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Constitution.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REVITALIZE THE FAMILY FARM. Establish an immediate moratorium on all foreclosures against farmers, homeowners, and small businessmen. Provide parity for family farmers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP MEDDLING IN FOREIGN WARS. Restore America's traditional non-interventionist foreign policy as laid down by President George Washington. Stop sacrificing American boys in wars fought to benefit the special interests.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REINVIGORATE THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRINCIPLE: "Equal Rights for All; Special Privileges for None." End all forced racial busing, quotas and affirmative action programs.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE FREEDOM OF CHOICE in health care and education. End government restrictions which interfere with medical freedom and the right of parents and local school districts to guide their children's education.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REPUDIATE THE NATIONAL DEBT except that held by lenders who have invested their earned money in government securities. This will cut the artificially inflated debt and interest by at least one-half.	NO	NO	NO	YES	

ARE YOU A POPULIST?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The National Committee of the Populist Party, composed of the official delegates from all states having a recognized Populist Party, will be held according to the bylaws.

The meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph St., Chicago. Reservations are available at a special rate to Populist Party members. Dial 800-643-1500.

All Populist Party supporting members are cordially invited to attend.

Registration will begin at noon, Friday, March 8. Business meeting will convene at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 9. A Populist Rally will begin immediately after the business meeting. Following a social event Saturday evening will be a Gala Banquet.

Sunday will feature a very important School of Politics. Experts in the fields of state organization, selection of candidates, ballot qualification, petitioning, use of issues, getting out the vote, etc. will speak and answer questions. The period will include panel discussions, questions and answers and confrontational situations.

Most events will be open to Supporting Members without charge. An appropriate charge will be made for the Populist Rally and Gala Banquet.

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I fully support the POPULIST PARTY. You can count on me to help in this crucial fight for America's survival as a free and independent nation. Please send me a 1985 Supporting Membership card for a minimum donation of $15. And if my contribution is $20 or more, also send me a FREE copy of Don Kimball's book, The Power and the Money. I enclose:

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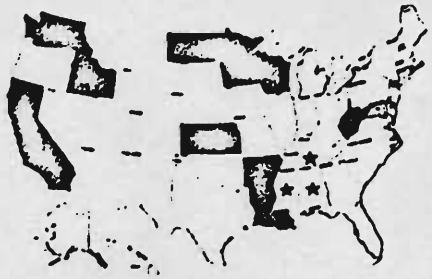
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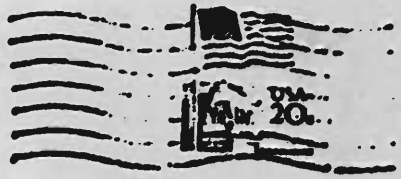


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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
(202) 546-5530

Ms. Faye Miller
P.O. Box 377
Dauphin Island, Al. 36528

April 30, 1985

Ref: Populist Party

Dear Ms. Miller:

As per our recent telephone conversation, please forward the following to my attention:

1. Bank reconciliation.
2. Copy of check stubs used.
3. Copy of paid invoices.

The above items should be sent each month as soon as the bank reconciliation is completed.

In addition, each quarter ending March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31, please complete the accounts payable work paper (sample attached) and forward to me. This should be done on or about the 15th day of the month following the quarter ending.

Your kind cooperation is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

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POWER TO THE PEOPLE

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HEADQUARTERS OFFICE:
300 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
PHONE: 202-LIBERTY 6-5611

WEST COAST OFFICE:
P.O. BOX 45302
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90045

Ms. Faye Miller
P.O. Box 377
Dauphin Island, AL. 36528

June 28, 1985

Dear Ms. Miller:

Yesterday, I was informed that all financial records from Januaryl, 1985, for the Populist Party are to be sent to your attention for the purpose of centralizing the accounting and F.E.C. reporting.

As soon as our outside accountants complete their annual review, I will forward these records and advise you of the financial activity from this office on a monthly basis.

Your cooperation and understanding is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

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please sign & Date
and send to FEC
1325 K St N.W.
Wash. D.C. 20463

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Bill

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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

(see reverse side for instructions)

DRAFT

1. Name of Committee (in Full) — ☐ Check if name or address is changed.	2. Date
POPULIST PARTY	SEPTEMBER 19, 1985
(b) Address (Number and Street)	3. FEC Identification Number
6055 MISSION GORGE RD. BOX 211	C00186726
(c) City, State and ZIP Code	4. Is this an amended Statement? ☒ YES ☐ NO
SAN DIEGO, CA. 92120	

5. TYPE OF COMMITTEE (check one):

☐ (a) This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

☐ (b) This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate	Candidate Party Affiliation	Office Sought	State/District

☐ (c) This committee supports/opposes only one candidate _____ and is NOT an authorized committee.
(name of candidate)

☒ (d) This committee is a NATIONAL committee of the POPULIST Party.
(National, State or subordinate) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)

☐ (e) This committee is a separate segregated fund.

☐ (f) This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate and is NOT a separate segregated fund nor a party committee.

6. Name of Any Connected Organization or Affiliated Committee	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Relationship
NONE		

If the registering political committee has identified a "connected organization" above, please indicate type of organization:

☐ Corporation ☐ Corporation w/o Capital Stock ☐ Labor Organization ☐ Membership Organization ☐ Trade Association ☐ Cooperative

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number – optional) and position, the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
JOHN COUTURE	13131 WEST JANESVILLE RD. HALES CORNERS, WI. 53130	CHAIRMAN

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number – optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
MS. FAYE MILLER	P.O. BOX 377 DAUPHIN ISLAND, AL. 36528	TREASURER

9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.	Mailing Address and ZIP Code
THE NATIONAL CAPITAL BANK OF WASHINGTON Am SOUTH BANK N.A.	316 PENNSYLVANIA AVE. S.E. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003 P.O. DRAWER 1628 MOBILE, AL. 36629

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

FAYE MILLER — Type or Print Name of Treasurer

X _____ — SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

_____ — Date

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

For further information contact: Federal Election Commission, Toll Free 800-424-9530, Local 202-523-4068

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER)
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v.)
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POPULIST PARTY OF THE)
UNITED STATES, AND)
FAYE MILLER, TREASURER)
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RE: MUR 2176

AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM K. SHEARER
RE: ORGANIZATION AND HISTORY OF
THE POPULIST PARTY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)s.s.
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

I, William K. Shearer, being duly sworn state that:

1. I am the Parliamentarian of the national Populist Party, having been elected to this office by the National Convention held in Nashville, Tennessee on August 17, 1984, and having been re-elected by the National Committee of the Populist Party at its meeting in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985. By virtue of this

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office I am a member of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and have served in this capacity continuously since August 17, 1984.

2. I am, at present, the Parliamentarian, and a member of the State Executive Committee of the California American Independent Party, the California affiliate of the national Populist Party. I have been active in the American Independent Party and the national organizations with which it has been affiliated since on or about 1967, and have, in past, served as both state and national chairman of the American Independent Party.

3. I am an attorney by profession, duly admitted to practice before all courts in the state of California and various Federal courts including the United States Supreme Court.

4. This affidavit is made to describe the organization and history of the Populist Party.

5. I am informed and believe that the Populist Party had its origin on or about October 23, 1982, when three persons describing themselves as founding members, Willis A. Carto, Lois Petersen, and Clara Sandahl, executed a document called the "Constitution of the Populist Party of the United States". The organization formed was an unincorporated association, and a

copy of the constitution is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporated herein by reference. My source for this information is Willis A. Carto, who, on or about the time of the National Convention of the Populist Party in August, 1984, provided me with a copy of the Constitution, and described its execution. In a letter addressed to me, dated February 27, 1986, at page 2, Mr. Carto states:

> "The beginning of the Populist Party (of course I do not refer to the original party of the 19th century) was October 25, 1982 when the constitution was signed by me, Clara Sandahl, and Lois Petersen in Washington, D.C."

A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by reference.

6. No further action was taken to organize the Populist Party until on or about February and March, 1984. On March 24, 1984, Mr. Carto appeared at a meeting of the State Executive Committee of the American Independent Party, held in Millbrea, California at which time he informed the Committee that it was his intent to launch the national Populist Party for purposes of nominating a presidential candidate in the 1984 election, and invited the California American Independent Party, which had continuously maintained a ballot qualified status since 1968, to participate

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in the new Populist Party. On March 25, 1984, the State Executive Committee of the American Independent Party voted to cooperate with the newly organizing Populist Party for purposes of participation in the 1984 presidential election.

7. From March 25, 1984 through the national convention on August 17-18, 1984, Mr. Carto made most major decisions pertaining to the Populist Party, completely controlled all of its finances, named interim national chairmen, selected Bob Richards of Waco, Texas to seek the presidential nomination of the Populist Party, and made the physical arrangements for the Nashville convention. Prior to the convention, he prepared a set of bylaws for the Populist Party which he submitted to me for my review and approval. These bylaws specifically refer to the constitution of the Populist Party, previously executed by Mr. Carto, et al. The bylaws state:

> "Following are the Bylaws for the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States under the authority of the Constitution of the Populist Party National Committee as done in Washington, D.C. on October 23, 1982."

A copy of said bylaws is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated herein by reference.

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8. At the convention in Nashville, I served as parliamentarian and a member of the Bylaws Committee. The Bylaws, attached hereto as Exhibit "C", were presented to the Bylaws Committee by Flemming Lee, Mr. Carto's attorney. The Bylaws were unanimously recommended for approval by the Committee and adopted by the full membership of the National Convention.

9. At the Nashville convention, the party elected officers for a term from the date of the convention until the first meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party, which was scheduled for March, 1985, at which time officers would be elected for a full four year term. The officers elected by the convention included: William W. Baker of Nevada, Chairman; James Yarbrough of Georgia, Vice-chairman; Donald R. Kimball of Iowa, Secretary; Emmett E. Miller of Alabama, Treasurer; and William K. Shearer of California, Parliamentarian. The convention nominated Bob Richards of Texas for President of the United States, and Maureen Kennedy Salaman of California for Vice-president. Attached hereto as Exhibit "D" and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of the agenda for the national convention. Attached hereto as Exhibit "E", and incorporated herein by reference, is a copy of a newsletter which I publish, "The American Independent", which describes in detail the actions taken by the Populist Party while assembled in national convention. In the letter attached hereto as Exhibit "B", at page 3, Mr. Carto admits:

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"The legal and official existence of the structured party began the instant Flemming Lee, at the party's first national convention in Nashville, on August 18, 1984, read the bylaws, took a vote and proclaimed their adoption."

10. The newly elected officers of the national Populist Party met briefly as an Executive Committee on August 19, 1984, but solely for the purpose of adding two additional members to the Executive Committee, one of whom was Mr. Carto. No further meetings of the Executive Committee were called by the chairman until November 24, 1984, following the presidential election. In the interim, Mr. Carto continued to transact all financial business of the party without consultation with the Executive Committee. I was aware that Mr. Carto was soliciting contributions in the name of the party, depositing the contributions in a bank account which he maintained in Washington, and was paying bills from the account. I was further informed by Mr. Carto that, on the advice of Flemming Lee, he had made necessary arrangements to file the required reports of campaign receipts and expenditures with the Federal Election Commission. I was not aware of the corporate nature of the account in which contributions to the party were being deposited.

11. On November 24-25, 1984, the national Executive Committee met in Washington, D.C., and began to function in its official

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capacity. The meeting was primarily concerned with the financial condition of the party, and the minutes state:

> "Treasurer Miller reported that he had not been kept totally informed as to the status of the party's funds. It was agreed without a motion that the treasurer be kept completely informed."

A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "F" and incorporated herein by reference.

12. Unfortunately, Mr. Miller became ill shortly after the Washington meeting, was hospitalized in December 1984, and died on January 10, 1985. As a consequence, the party had no elected treasurer until the meeting of the National Committee on March 9, 1985. During this interim period, Mr. Carto continued to conduct the financial transactions of the party in the same manner which he had done during the 1984 campaign period.

13. In late January 1985, Mr. Carto conducted a major fund raising mailing in the name of the Populist Party. A copy of the mailing is attached hereto as Exhibit "G" and incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Carto informed the Executive Committee that he was placing the receipts from the mailing in the party's Washington bank account.

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14. On March 9-10, 1985, the National Committee of the Populist Party held its first annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois. On March 9, 1985, the National Committee elected party officers for a full four year term as required by the Bylaws. Those elected were Fred Seipold of Idaho, Chairman; James Yarbrough of Georgia, Vice-Chairman; Donald R. Kimball of Iowa, Secretary; Mrs. Faye Miller of Alabama, Treasurer; and William K. Shearer of California, Parliamentarian. A copy of the official call to the meeting, and supporting documents, including the agenda, are attached hereto as Exhibit "H", and incorporated herein by reference. Attached hereto as Exhibit "I", and incorporated herein by reference is a report which I prepared for my newsletter, "The American Independent", describing the actions taken at the meeting.

15. On March 10, 1985, the newly formed Executive Committee of the Populist Party met. For the first time since the death of Emmett Miller, the party had an elected treasurer. At the Executive Committee meeting I offered a motion that the chairman, as legal counsel, be instructed to do such research as necessary to determine how the Committee's accounts should be structured and administered to meet all requirements of Federal and other applicable law; to report his findings in writing within 30 days; and that his findings be implemented without the necessity of further Executive Committee action, to assure that the National

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Committee was functioning in conformity to the requirements of law. This motion was adopted. Attached hereto as Exhibit "J" and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of a March 27, 1985 letter which I addressed to Chairman Fred Seipold setting forth in detail the motions which I made at the Executive Committee meeting pertaining to the party's financial affairs, and each of which motions was adopted by the Executive Committee.

16. Chairman Seipold did not take the steps directed by the Executive Committee action. However, Mrs. Miller, as Treasurer, opened a bank account in the party's name, and Mr. Carto caused to be transmitted to her $30,000.00 of the money which he had raised in the party's name through the January 1985 mailing.

17. Approximately a week following the National Committee meeting in Chicago, I participated in an informal meeting with Chairman Seipold, and Mr. Carto in San Diego, California, at which time party affairs were discussed. At this meeting I learned, for the first time, that Mr. Carto had established a separate corporate entity and bank account through which he had been conducting what I had understood to be the party's financial affairs. I subsequently made inquiry as to this corporation, and am informed and believe that on or about March 6, 1984, Mr. Carto, acting through employees of Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight", incorporated the Populist Party, Inc. in the state of

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Virginia as a non-stock corporation, with John Tiffany, an employee of Mr. Carto, as the registered agent; that a bank account was established by Mr. Carto and his employees in the name of the Populist Party, Inc.; that many of the contributions received in the name of the Populist Party were deposited by Mr. Carto and his employees in this account; that the corporation was reorganized on or about July 17, 1985, with Clara Sandahl as the registered agent; and that funds contributed to the Populist Party are still being deposited by Mr. Carto and his employees in this account; and that the corporation continues to function as an entity separate and distinct from the Populist Party, an unincorporated association.

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18. From March, 1984, until March , 1985, Mr. Carto did not inform me that he was conducting the financial affairs of the Populist Party from a bank account established in the name of a separate corporate entity; and I am further informed and believe that no other member of the Executive Committee was privy to this information. Mr. Carto has subsequently attempted to explain this corporation in a number of ways. On January 21, 1986, he addressed to me a wire in which he states:

> "As I have told you, the Virginia corporation is and always has been the Virginia state party."

A copy of said wire is attached hereto as Exhibit "K" and incorporated herein by reference. I have personally investigated this assertion by Mr. Carto, and know it to be untrue. The corporation has not at any time functioned as the Virginia state affiliate of the Populist Party. On February 27, 1986, in the letter attached hereto as Exhibit "B", at pages 2-3, Mr. Carto states that "this incorporation was never activated, either by myself or the Virginia state chairman, Steve Giles. I have always considered it to be 'on the shelf' -- property of the Executive Committee to give to whoever formed a viable state party. In fact, it died after the state notified John Tiffiny-- the registered agent for the state -- that no annual report had been filed." Mr. Carto's assertions in the February 27, 1986 letter are also untrue. The corporation was activated on or about March 6, 1984, functioned during that year, and filed a Virginia tax return for 1984. It was specifically reorganized and reactivated on July 17, 1985, when Clara Sandahl became its registered agent. From sometime in March, 1984, through the present time, the corporation has had a bank account through which Mr. Carto transacted business in the name of the Populist Party.

19. On or about July 2, 1984, Mr. Carto caused to be filed with the Federal Election Commission a statement of organization in the name of the Populist Party, listing William W. Baker as

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chairman, and Clara Sandahl as treasurer. This filing preceded the national convention at Nashville, Tennessee at which officers of the party were elected. A copy of said statement of organization is attached hereto as Exhibit "L" and incorporated herein by reference.

20. Following the Nashville convention, held on August 17-19, 1984, at which time the party elected a treasurer, Mr. Carto continued to retain control of the party's financial affairs. I am informed and believe that neither he nor his employees notified the Federal Election Commission that Emmett Miller had been elected treasurer. The F.E.C. continued to address correspondence to Clara Sandahl as treasurer. See, for example, the letter of December 13, 1984 attached hereto as Exhibit "M" and incorporated herein by reference. From the date of the election of Mr. Miller to the post of treasurer by the National Convention on August 18, 1984, Clara Sandahl had no further claim to be treasurer of the Populist Party. If anything, she could only have been the treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc., Mr. Carto's separate non-stock Virginia corporation. I am informed and believe that reports made to the F.E.C. in the name of the Populist Party during 1984 were made by Clara Sandahl, and Lois Petersen, another Carto employee, neither of whom was elected to any office by the National Convention, and reflected transactions from the bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. I am further

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informed and believe that no reports to the F.E.C. reflecting transactions from the bank account of the Populist Party, Inc. have been made by the corporate officers to the F.E.C. during the calendar years 1985 and 1986.

21. In September, 1985, Populist Party Chairman Fred Seipold, resigned, and John M. Couture became chairman. Thereafter, the Executive Committee took further steps to place the control of the party's financial affairs in the hands of the elected treasurer and Executive Committee. On September 29, 1985 a motion was adopted providing, among other things, that all funds or checks of any kind are to be forwarded to Mrs. Miller, the national treasurer, in Alabama, for deposit only in the Populist Party account there. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "N" and are incorporated herein by reference.

22. On October 20, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion instructing the treasurer to direct a letter to Willis Carto requesting a complete accounting of the Washington, D.C. account, including statements of deposits, and cancelled checks. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "O" and are incorporated herein by reference.

23. On January 18, 1986, motions were adopted by the Executive Committee which:

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(A) Demanded that the Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia, or, that the name of the corporation be changed so as to differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States, making this differentiation clear to the public; that all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and that any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease, along with any other reference to the Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

(B) Approved the position of the treasurer, Mrs. Faye Miller, that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission, or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp. or "The Spotlight".

A copy of said minutes is attached hereto as Exhibit "P" and incorporated herein by reference as though set forth in full.

24. On March 1-2, 1986, the annual meeting of the Populist Party National Committee was held in Los Angeles, California. At said meeting a resolution was unanimously adopted commending national

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treasurer Faye Miller and the Executive Committee for all actions taken to assure lawful and fiscally responsible management of the Populist Party's finances; ratifying the actions of the treasurer and the Executive Committee with regard to party finances and instructing said officers to continue the policies expressed in the fiscal motions already adopted by the Executive Committee. A copy of the official call to the 1986 National Committee meeting is attached hereto as Exhibit "Q" and incorporated herein by reference. Attached hereto as Exhibit "R" and incorporated herein by reference is a report of the business transacted at the National Committee meeting as reported in my newsletter, "The American Independent".

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25. On March 8, 1986, the Executive Committee of the Populist Party adopted a motion stating the conditions under which the Executive Committee would not insist on an audit of Mr Carto's Washington accounts. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto as Exhibit "S" and incorporated herein by reference as though set forth in full.

26. On March 17, 1986, Mr. Carto directed a letter to Populist Party Chairman John Couture in effect informing Mr. Couture that Mr. Carto intended, as he had in the past, to continue to conduct party business from his Washington office and account. A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "T" and incorporated

herein by reference.

27. On March 21, 1986, Chairman Couture addressed to Mr. Carto a letter demanding that Mr. Carto comply with the fiscal motions previously adopted by the Executive Committee. A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "U" and incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Carto ignored these demands.

28. On April 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a motion, which I offered, removing Mr. Carto from the Executive Committee of the Populist Party for his refusal to comply with the demands of the Executive Committee. A copy of said motion is attached hereto as Exhibit "V" and incorporated herein by reference.

29. At the April 18, 1986, meeting of the Executive Committee, I further offered a motion instructing the treasurer to file a formal complaint with the Federal Election Commission, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. Section 437g, requesting a complete investigation of the activities of Mr. Carto, the Populist Party, Inc., and the other entities which he controls, and which appear to be in violation of various sections of the Federal Election Laws. A copy of said motion is attached hereto as Exhibit "W" and is incorporated herein by reference. Said complaint is now in preparation.

30. Attached hereto as Exhibit "X" and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of my letter to Mr. Carto in response to his letter to me attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

31. I have personally reviewed the definitions of National Committee and Political Party which appear in 2 U.S.C. Section 431 (k) and (m). Subsection (k) defines National Committee as "the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day to day operation of such political party at the national level, as determined by the commission." Political party is defined by subsection (m) as "an association, committee, or organization which nominates a candidate for election to any federal office, whose name appears on the election ballot as a candidate of such association, committee, or organization."

32. Based upon these definitions, it is my belief that the Populist Party, Inc. does not qualify either as a political party, or the national committee of a political party as defined in 2 U.S.C. Section 431. The Populist Party, an unincorporated association, which held its national convention in Nashville, Tennessee on August 17-19, 1984 is the organization which nominated the candidates of the Populist Party for President and Vice-president of the United States. The Bylaws of the Populist Party, adopted by the delegates to the Nashville convention

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provide that the National Committee, the officers, and Executive Committee of the Populist Party are responsible for the day to day operation of the political party at the national level. No such authority has ever been lawfully bestowed upon Mr. Carto's Virginia corporation, the Populist Party, Inc.

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Executed this 12th day of June 1986.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct; that affiant knows the foregoing facts to his own knowledge, except as to those matters which are set forth on information and belief, and as to those matters affiant believes them to be true; and that if called as a witness to testify to the facts contained herein, affiant is competent to do so.

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William K. Shearer

8158 Palm Street

Lemon Grove, CA 92045

OFFICIAL SEAL
MICHAELLE C. MURPHEY
NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA
PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN
SAN DIEGO COUNTY
My Commission Exp. Apr. 1, 1987

Michaelle C. Murphey

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on June 12, 1986.

San Diego County, California

Notary public in and for said county and state.

Exhibit "A"

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CONSTITUTION OF THE POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

The name of this committee shall be the National Committee Populist Party of the United States.

It is the intent of the Populist Party to establish state committees in every state and to work for the election of populists to office on a local, state and federal level.

The principles of the Populist Party shall be those of Thomas Jefferson and the great populists of American history.

The Populist Party shall have exclusive use of the name, Populist Party.

This committee shall consist of such members as shall be provided in the Bylaws.

This committee shall meet at a time and place to be provided in the Bylaws.

Members of this committee shall be Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer plus such other officers as may be designated in the Bylaws or established by the National Committee.

This Constitution shall become effective when it is subscribed by three Founding Members.

This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds of the voting members of any national convention providing that the proposed amendment, signed by at least 50 Members, is submitted to the National Committee at least 120 days prior to a national convention.

DONE this 23rd day of October, 1982, at Washington, D. C.

Founding Members: [signature]

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February 27, 1986

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Dear Bill:

I am in receipt of your open letters to the executive committee of January 14 and 16 and to me of January 27 in reply to my wire to you of January 21. It is with genuine regret that I am forced to write this letter, not only because of the totally unnecessary waste of time but because it means essentially that I have to play your game, the only result of which must be to add to the mistrust, disorganization and paralysis of the national office of the Populist Party.

From the time that Bob Weems and I set the party in motion back in February of 1984 I have received warnings too numerous to cite that involving you in the party would inevitably lead to the state of affairs now evident.

Despite these warnings I moved forward believing that this time--my second attempt to work with you over the years--we would establish a relationship of candor and trust in pursuit of what I believed was a goal you shared with me: to build a viable and powerful third party.

This conviction was emphasized by the fact that you and I have never had the slightest disagreement over political philosophy and the party platform Bob and I drew up two years ago. Nor have we had any conceptual difference to amount to anything over strategy. Indeed, numerous times when there appeared to be a difference between us I always capitulated to you in the interests of unity. In fact, I told a number of people in confidence that it was my intention to play "second fiddle" to you whenever necessary, to give the responsible and stable leadership populists have a right to expect. I feel I have walked the extra mile with you to try to avoid this dispute. It is entirely your actions, not mine, which have resulted in the present impasse.

You have created a confused and complex situation which is impossible to understand without patiently going through developments from the beginning and this is the purpose of this letter, copies of which I shall send to interested parties. I have no other choice than to publicly lay out the following; otherwise those sincerely interested in the party will have insufficient and false information from you as a basis for action at the upcoming national committee meeting.

(Incidentally, your marking your two letters of January 14 and 16 as "PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL" was a hypocritical attempt to piously avert your eyes from the problems which you yourself created. You knew very well that some of the people you sent these letters to are temperamentally incapable of keeping a confidence and that within hours after receipt of these letters these gossips would see to it that their contents would be public knowledge).

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The beginning of the Populist Party (of course, I do not refer to the original party of the 19th century) was October 25, 1982 when the constitution was signed by me, Clara Sandahl and Lois Petersen in Washington, D.C. For some before that it had been my hope to organize a new party and by establishing the name we would have a claim on it should certain promoters, such as Richard Viguerie, try to start a Populist Party merely for the purpose of fundraising.

In February of 1984 it appeared to me that if prompt and decisive action was taken a new party could use the balance of the year organizing and might, if we were able to get a decent candidate, get a significant vote in the presidential election only nine months away.

Further, I was confident that many thousands of Spotlight subscribers would enthusiastically welcome the call for a new party founded on the best of American principle (as indeed they did, supplying virtually all of the membership and money) although I did not realize that so many others--Republican loyalists--would reject the new party and, in fact, cancel or fail to renew their subscriptions to The Spotlight.

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But our loss of subscribers is not the point because I did not found the party for business reasons. I felt that by getting started in early 1984--as late as it was for the upcoming presidential election--we would be in a position to field congressional candidates in 1986 and then, in 1988, could make a significant attempt to elect a president. Nothing is more sad to me than to see that the inaction of the executive committee over the past 14 months--mostly due to your obstruction of every positive plan set forth--has laid these plans to rest.

Of course, we have had other setbacks. The selection of Bob Richards as our candidate in 1984 was a serious blunder, and there is no one to blame for that but me. I also selected Bill Baker, another blunder. These two mistakes were my fault completely and I offer no excuses. But they were the only ones I made, and both were recoverable, not mortal. The blame for the present paralysis, which can only result in the total eclipsing of the party unless it is promptly healed, is certainly not mine; it is yours and yours alone.

To get back to the beginning, in February of 1984 I asked Bob Weems to help get the party under way and to serve as chairman until we could give legal and permanent form to the party. He--one of the most dedicated and honest men I know--came to Washington and cooperated in every way. In a few days we together worked out the platform for "The Populist Party of the United States" which I believe to be the finest statement of political principle of our day.

On February 24 we opened post office box 76737 and on March 5 we established the bank account. Note that all this was done by LIBERTY LOBBY and Spotlight personnel. Neither this nor anything else which followed would have been possible without the full backing--including financial--of these entities.

On March 6, Bob made an emergency trip to Richmond to formally lay legal claim to the name by incorporating. The purpose of this--as you know very well from previous discussions--was to shortstop Viguerie who newspaper accounts at the time hinted was thinking about setting up a "Populist Party" as a fundraising gimmick. As you also know, this incorporation was never activated, either by

myself or even by the Virginia state chairman, Steve Giles. I have always considered it to be "on the shelf"--property of the executive committee to give to whoever formed a viable state party. In fact, it died after the state notified John Tiffany--the registered agent for the state--that no annual report had been filed.

The legal and official existence of the structured party began the instant Fleming Lee, at the party's first national convention in Nashville, on August 18, 1984, read the bylaws, took a vote and proclaimed their adoption. Later that day the national committee elected the first executive committee: Bill Baker as chairman, Jim Yarbrough as vice chairman, Don Kimball as secretary, Emmett Miller as treasurer, you as parliamentarian and John Couture, Tom Goodloe and Fred Seipold as members. Maureen Salaman and I were asked to serve and Eileen also as ex-officio.

The first meeting was held in Washington on November 24, 1984, immediately after the election. At that time the committee audited the party's books and arrangements were made to send all business records to Emmett Miller. After thorough discussion, the committee voted to accept the debt then existing of $264,888.80. I attach a copy of Emmett's audit written in his own hand.

I recall vividly the lecture you gave in which you emphasized your personal integrity and concern for clear and accurate business records in every respect. You said that you did not realize how much the debt was but that you were satisfied that it was all accounted for but from thenceforth you demanded total control.

This was to become a constant theme of yours: how important it was for the executive committee to review each and every detail of business and approve literally every dime spent. Until very recently I interpreted this as resulting from your pettifogging instincts as a lawyer and an inexplicable blindness of being unable to see the forest for the trees.

Obviously, attempting to run a successful political campaign pay-as-you-go is totally unrealistic and can be productive of nothing but infinite impotence. As I have told you and the executive committee many times, the important thing is to think about growth, organization, membership, planning ahead and raising funds. If we do this, all debts can easily be repaid.

Your novel theory that there have been two parties ever since you secretly--and without approval of the executive committee--registered something called "The Populist Party of the United States" with the FEC on August 5, 1985 is hard to understand, coming from a man who has for so long and very loudly declaimed to anyone and everyone his praise for his own honesty, integrity, responsibility and strict "old fashioned morality."

Frankly, Bill, this sneaky act not only makes you look like a deadbeat (and I am sure you are not) but it would be clearly illegal according to federal election laws even if the national committee or the executive committee had approved it, which they did not. Hence, your unauthorized registration is invalid because it was done on your own and has no effect whatsoever because the party has been fully and properly registered with the FEC since early 1984.

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This is very odd. I know of no one more a stickler for legalistic detail and due process than you. You have defeated many suggestions for positive action I and others made on the executive committee because of minor, technical details. Indeed, this is your typical modus operandi. But you took the huge step--or rather told Faye Miller to do so--of re-registering the party with the FEC without any authority to do so, creating a very serious problem which can only result in federal interference in our internal affairs, the loss of much time and probably thousands of dollars in legal fees.

On January 21 I sent you the following wire in response to your two open (so-called "confidential") letters of January 14 and 16:

> Please rethink your position very carefully or you will open a real can of worms. As I have told you, the Virginia corporation is and always has been the Virginia state party. If your thesis is correct the contributions made to the national committee by D.C. have been illegal and must be repaid, including at least $15,715.72 disbursed to you and Eileen. The total of illegal contributions would be far more than the existing debts. Your thesis makes you liable for fines. It will result not only in massive confusion for supporters and loss of support but expensive federal investigations and suits, all in all a tremendous setback for the party. I suggest we work out a reasonable settlement before too late. I am sure you are not trying to destroy the party. I am perfectly willing to let neutral parties decide.

After thinking this over for five days you replied on January 27 in a far more conciliatory vein, but rejecting my proposal for arbitration by neutral persons, the only method that can be used to settle this outside of litigation. I can understand that as a prosperous lawyer you feel at home in the courts but other people have reason to intensely dislike the delay, expense and waste of litigation, especially when it is totally unnecessary.

Bill, the more I think of your truly indefensible actions the more I suspect that you have been innocently misled. You state that party records have not been sent to Faye Miller. Perhaps you are unaware of the volume of material Blayne Hutzel has sent to your treasurer, each one via certified or registered mail, and we have the return receipts to prove it. She has been supplied with literally everything yet we have yet to receive the courtesy of even an acknowledgement. For example, time after time we have been forced to pay party bills rather than see our credit with printers and other suppliers go down the drain and we have asked her to return the invoice so that we could cancel it: she has never done so. To give a complete recap of all of the papers we have sent her, including copies of our filings with the FEC and even, on one occasion, a form she only had to sign and post to the FEC in the envelope we provided, would take too much time and this letter is already too long.

I could take many pages citing inaccuracies and outright misstatements in your letters. For example, you state: "The fact that the Populist Party, Inc. is a separate entity from the Populist Party, the unincorporated association, is confirmed by a letter from the FEC dated August 22, 1985, to Clara Sandahl, treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc." Your statement is untrue. The letter is addressed not as you state but to, "Treasurer of the Populist Party."

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Contrary to your numerous misstatements, there is and has been only one Populist Party. I am sure that the membership of the party will agree with me. Your attempt to change the record can result only in grave harm to the party.

I have neither the time nor the interest to seek to dominate the Populist Party. On the contrary, my aim from the start has been to create strong state and national leadership. I want the party to become a viable political entity, not a debating club or a forum through which one individual can exert his own authority as though he were a two-bit Chicago machine politician.

I could abandon the party and allow it to self-destruct under its present leadership. However, I do not wish to do that. I shall not sit by and allow the many thousands of members of LIBERTY LOBBY's board of policy and readers of The Spotlight who have spent much of their own time, energy and financial resources helping build the party at both the state and national level to be abandoned. I feel a personal responsibility to these many people who have supported LIBERTY LOBBY and The Spotlight (some for as long as thirty years) and I do not intend to permit them to be exploited by any organization or group of individuals.

The Populist Party, by its very nature, is, and should be, a grassroots movement. There is no way it can ever succeed if its executive committee refuses to work toward developing the party at the state level, and this is exactly what is happening. This is an impression shared by many party members who have, in calls and letters to me personally and to LIBERTY LOBBY and The Spotlight, expressed their dissatisfaction with the failure of the executive committee and its national administrative office to expedite efforts to build the party.

Inexplicably, Bill, you have denounced state party leaders who have waged successful fund-raising and organizational efforts. I refer specifically to your amazing proposal that Baron Eickhoff, the young and energetic state chairman of the Florida party, be removed from his position.

In your letter of January 14 you charge that Eickhoff "actively attempts to persuade party members not to support the national party." You charge in your letter that "With control of the party and its funding no longer in Mr. Carto's hands, we find his associates actively attempting to divert funds away from the national Populist Party."

First of all, to suggest that he is one of my "associates" more so than any other party leader is stretching a point. Secondly, and more importantly, I find it hard to understand why you object to Eickhoff's efforts to raise funds at the state level where the funds are needed most. There can be no successful national party if there are no strong, well-funded and effective state parties.

I would think that many state party organizations would be more than happy to be able to set in place in their states the kind of successful fundraising drive that Eickhoff has waged in Florida. It is my hope that many more state party organizations will do as well as Eickhoff has done, not just in raising funds, but in producing party literature, winning publicity for the state party's efforts, and in building party unity within party ranks, all of which Eickhoff has done successfully.

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At this time, I'm sorry to say, contributions to the national Populist Party by good-hearted patriots seem to be going down a rathole. I find it hard to cite any party-building activities on the part of the national administrative office of the executive committee during the past six months. I contrast this with Baron Eickhoff's efforts in Florida and with those of other party leaders in the various states. All of this has been done without the help of the executive committee, and apparently against its wishes.

There is no other word but sabotage to describe the shameful rejection of a national organizer by vote of the executive committee on December 30, 1985. This is so important I shall lay down the incredible succession of events here.

It was in October or November when I was contacted by a young and successful businessman who wished to work for the party full time. Having first met this man at the Nashville convention, and being even then impressed by his undoubted abilities, although his political experience was limited, I was extremely pleased. In discussing the matter with him--including a special trip I made to meet him in a distant town--I became even more convinced that he could be just what was needed to get the party back in motion after you fired Fred Seipold.

This man agreed to take the position of national director working under the executive committee and would spend his full time traveling around the country working with state organizations, finding candidates and raising funds. He would be paid only if he could raise the money. The most we could have lost would be a mere $6,000 for a six-month trial period and we could fire him in 30 days or 60 days if we wanted to.

This seemed to me like an answer to a prayer. I asked him for some resumes to send to you and John Couture and I checked him out myself. He seemed almost perfect for the job.

I then persuaded him to fly at his own expense to Los Angeles from the east coast to meet you and John during the meeting you had November 8 and 9, 1985 at the Viscount Hotel. He did so and we all had a full and complete opportunity to evaluate him personally. At that time you and John led us to expect that the matter would be brought to a vote by the executive committee immediately. At no time did you express any objections about him, although it was evident to me that you were definitely not enthusiastic about the thought of someone whom you did not totally control having any authority.

As you know, absolutely nothing happened until I finally forced a vote on December 30 during the telephone conference then. Both you and John offered amendments to my motion which I accepted. I made it clear that I would accept any amendments just to get him started. Finally, unable to think of anything better, you gave the transparently insincere excuse that you had to have a copy of the motion before you so that you could study it before you could vote favorably and you accused me of acting hastily. You, John, Miller and Rolland Victor voted against it; Maureen, Don Kimball, Jerry Pope and I voted for it. A tie so the motion was rejected.

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It was patently obvious that your and John's opposition was personally motivated and was contrary to the interests of the party. Neither of you want anyone else to have any authority even if means the continued immobility of the party. Apparently, you do not want any young, new blood in a leadership position, unless it's Nancy Shearer.

You will recall that after I left the line in disgust on December 30 Faye Miller accused me behind my back of stealing money from the party. If she were not the party treasurer (thanks entirely to you, who have sought to keep her in this position for which she is not qualified) no one would listen to her. (Incidentally, her failure to apologize is still an open issue which I shall not drop, nor do I appreciate your part in encouraging her slander, which you know is totally unjustified).

Another matter which you have addressed in a manner which indicates that you are clearly suggesting impropriety in the handling of party funds deals with the question of disbursement of funds to various individuals whom you say "are not now nor have they ever been on the Populist Party payroll, and whose travel was unauthorized by the executive committee."

You cite, among others, Velma Blekeberg who received $132.90. Mrs. Blekeberg, it so happens, is a loyal Populist Party member who came to the convention in Nashville, having contributed to the Bob Richards for President campaign, expecting her hotel costs to be covered during her trip to Nashville, as was promised by the Richards campaign to all who contributed $250 or more to the fund.

Unfortunately, due to an administrative foul-up at the hotel where she stayed, Mrs. Blekeberg was charged, on her credit card, $132.90 for her lodging, even though it should have been charged to the Richards campaign. Mrs. Blekeberg brought the matter up with the Washington office, and when the funds were available, I authorized her reimbursement so as to avoid having a loyal party member unfairly charged for an error of the Richards campaign. Only a deadbeat would object to this disbursement.

As for the $90 disbursed to Mrs. Isabel Taylor, these funds were made in payment to Mrs. Taylor who provided lodging for, among others, Bill Baker, the party's national chairman, when he was visiting Washington. Mrs. Taylor operates a clean, inexpensive rooming house close to LIBERTY LOBBY headquarters, and in an attempt to save the party from having to provide expensive hotel lodging for Mr. Baker, Lois Petersen of the LIBERTY LOBBY staff arranged for Baker to stay at Mrs. Taylor's guest house during his stay in Washington.

I might note, as an aside, that I suggested that you and Eileen stay at Mrs. Taylor's guest house during your Washington visit for the executive committee meeting in November of 1984, but you summarily rejected this, preferring to take quarters at the vastly expensive Capitol Hill Hotel, at the party's expense, of course.

Your condemnation of Peter Polkiewicz for designing and manufacturing party emblems and paraphernalia is grotesque and contemptible. The deal with him would have brought not only profit to the party but a long list of items to improve party identification and morale. Thanks to your criticism, Peter has thrown up his hands in disgust. He thought he was helping us. I did, too.

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I cannot help but recall, in this context, that you told me in 1968, and that you have told others, that you fully expected to make plenty of money out of the American Independent Party, and that your political experience had taught you how money could be made out of the game. Although you never explained to me what you meant, I have from time to time wondered, as I do now.

It seems to me that others might also wonder about this to the point that it could well be a cause of concern among everyone in the party who senses that someone or something seems to keep the party in turmoil (much as the American Independent Party always seemed to be in turmoil), thereby preventing effective action. I have often noted that when a troublemaker accuses someone else of an evil act, he is usually guilty of what he accuses others of.

The history of your perennial, perpetual squabbles with others in the third party movement is too deep and too murky to go into here, but those with long memories cannot help but be reminded by current events of the troubles which plagued the AIP from the very start. I regret that the Populist Party is, unfortunately, falling prey to these same difficulties. I do not regret, though, that I made an honest personal effort to help set the Populist Party in motion, throwing the resources of LIBERTY LOBBY and The Spotlight behind this effort. It is sad to see, however, that a good thing is going sour before the very eyes of the many Americans who gave the party's efforts their all.

You have brought me to the point where I would like to get out and leave the mess to you, who deserve it. Unfortunately, I cannot. You have contrived a tortured situation with the FEC which will require hours of work by someone and probably thousands of dollars in legal fees. You have disaffected the strongest supporters of the party. You have tried to set up a party to "compete" with the real Populist Party. You have set back our progress more than a year. You have made many populists throughout the nation and my associates on The Spotlight disgusted with the whole concept of a third party. Finally, there is the matter of the personal insult and lie Faye Miller is guilty of in accusing me--who has given far more to the party than anyone else and who has not received a dime for it--of stealing money--and this lie left uncontroverted by you and some of the other dignitaries on the executive committee.

These matters must be worked out. I hereby renew my suggestion that it be done speedily. This coming weekend the national committee will elect a new executive committee. If you and any of your puppets are not part of it I invite either the whole committee or its designees to Washington to inspect our records, straighten out the mess with the FEC and work out a solution that will make it possible for me to continue backing the party, as I so want to do. These matters must be addressed this coming weekend to avoid complete suffocation by them.

It is just a damn shame that your mishandling of party affairs has brought on these totally avoidable, time-wasting problems.

I also hope that this coming weekend will see some improvement in the dismal California picture. You deserve credit for founding the AIP and keeping it on the ballot but can be given no credit at all for your consistently negative

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attitude toward fielding the best possible candidates--one example of which is the decision of Maureen Salaman not to run for the governorship because of your refusal to supply her with the minimum possible support--a secretary. Fortunately, the very able and dedicated Gary Miller has agreed to run. He deserves support--including financial support--from the AIP.

At this time we have tremendous opportunities in California. With the great influx of new blood by Spotlight people you should have candidates running for every congressional seat. Is it that you fear that strong candidates or too many "outsiders" would threaten your control of the party?

Many people feel that the AIP is not a political party--it is a cocktail party for you and your cronies to have fun at, a hobby and to provide you with a captive audience for your filthy jokes. Yes, the AIP is a joke to the Republicans and Democrats. Seriously, is the AIP a means to an end or the end in and of itself?

If the Populist Party can get itself straightened out and begin putting first things first: leadership (always first), organization, candidates and fundraising rather than groveling in the political gutter in the sport of character assassination, rumor mongering, jockeying for meaningless titles and seeking personal advantage at the expense of the party, we may still make some progress this year and in 1987 and 1988. But the time to put away childish things and get moving is now. Right now.

Sincerely,

Willis A. Carto
Treasurer

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Summary of Obligations

- Populist Party 11/24/84

OBLIGATIONS		RESOURCES	
Liberty Lobby + Spotlight	264,883.80	Cash on Hand	27,442.03
Expense Reimbursement	28,467.53		
Payables	15,404.52		
	308,760.85		
Less - Cash on Hand	27,442.03		
Party Deficit	281,318.82		

Exhibit "C"

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Unanimously approved 8/17/84

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BYLAWS

I. IDENTIFICATION

Following are the Bylaws for the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States under the authority of the Constitution of the Populist Party National Committee as done in Washington, D. C. on October 23, 1982.

II. MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATION

Membership in the Populist Party is limited to one political party organization recognized by the National Committee from each state, the District of Columbia and any other area specified by the National Committee.

Representation on the National Committee shall be determined as follows:

(1) When a member state political party is qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, the state party is entitled to three representatives plus one additional representative for each five electoral votes of the subject state or major fraction thereof.

(2) When a member state political party was qualified in the most recent general election to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the ballot, but is not so qualified for the next general election ballot, the state organization is entitled to three representatives.

(3) When a member political organization is not qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, and was not so qualified in the immediately preceeding general election, the state organization is entitled to two representatives.

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No state political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessments as established by the National Committee.

The Credentials Committee shall be chosen by the Executive Committee and shall have power to seat a state party organization in any National Convention or on the National Committee. Each ballot-qualified state committee shall have at least one person on the Credentials Committee.

Prior to each National Committee meeting each state political party shall file with the Credentials Committee a list of its representatives and alternates signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the member party. The most recent list so filed shall be presumed to express the intent of the state party.

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III. MEETINGS

The National Committee shall hold one regular meeting each year on the first Saturday of March and such special meetings as may be required.

Special meetings may be called by the Chairman or by a majority of the Executive Committee.

Notice of all meetings shall be given in writing to all representatives of record at least 30 days prior to such meetings unless an emergency requires less notice. The order of business shall be stated in the call.

A quorum for business shall be at least one representative, credentialled by the state party, from a majority of the member state parties.

Meetings of the National Committee shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised, except that the Constitution of the

National Committee, these Bylaws or any special rules adopted by the National Committee, shall take precedence in the event of conflict therewith.

Each representative of a member political party shall be entitled to one vote in all meetings of the National Committee. A representative may vote by proxy but no person may cast more than one vote.

There shall be no solicitation of funds at any National Committee meeting or Convention except as authorized by the National Committee or the Executive Committee. There shall be no sale nor circulation of literature except as so authorized.

IV. OFFICERS

The officers of the National Committee shall be elected at the first regular meeting of the National Committee following each presidential election, and the officers so elected shall be immediately installed and shall serve a term of four years.

Officers may be removed by majority vote of the National Committee.

The National Committee shall elect the following officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian plus such assistant officers as may be required.

Officers need not be representatives to the National Committee but must be registered voters in the Populist Party in their state.

The National Committee may establish permanent or temporary committees at its pleasure.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chairman the Vice-Chairman shall immediately succeed to that office. In the event

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of a vacancy in any other office the Chairman shall appoint a qualified person to fill that office for the remainder of the term.

V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The Chairman shall be the chief administrative officer of the National Committee. He shall administer the affairs of the National Committee between meetings of the Executive Committee; establish an office and communications for the National Committee; appoint members of committees subject to approval of the National Committee; preside at all meetings of the National Committee or the Executive Committee and do all other things incumbent upon the Chairman to do to prosecute the interests of the Populist Party.

The Vice-Chairman shall preside at meetings in the absence of the Chairman and shall perform the other duties of the Chairman in his absence or incapacity.

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the National Committee and the Executive Committee, shall sign documents as required by the office and do all other things required in general of a Secretary.

The Treasurer shall account for all funds received and expended by the National Committee. Pursuant to action of the National Committee or Executive Committee the Treasurer shall make available to the Chairman such funds as may be required for the operating expenses of the National Committee, to be replenished upon presentation of valid receipts for the funds expended, and provided funds are available in the National Committee treasury.

The Parliamentarian shall advise on points of order at meetings of the National Committee and Executive Committee. The Parlia-

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mentarian shall advise on all procedural matters.

VI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the National Committee plus whatever other persons may be selected by the officers. The Executive Committee shall manage the affairs of the Party between meetings of the National Committee and has all powers of the National Committee.

VII. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Each member state party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of the sum of twenty dollars every four months for each representative to the National Committee it is entitled to under these Bylaws. Such payments shall be made to the National Committee and shall be received by the National Committee no later than April 30, August 31 and December 31 of each calendar year.

The National Committee is authorized to conduct additional fundraising activities in support of its program and operations.

VIII. NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Committee shall, during each presidential election year, call a nominating meeting or convention of the member state parties for the purpose of nominating presidential and vice presidential candidates, adopting a Platform and transacting appropriate business. The National Committee shall set the fees required of member state organizations to participate.

IX. POWERS

The National Committee has power to transact business in the name of the national Populist Party, to open a bank account or accounts, to contract for services, equipment, goods or personnel, to borrow money in the name of the national Populist Party, to recognize any group as the official party organization in each

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state and to do all other things necessary to conduct the business of the National Committee. Except when the National Committee is in session, the affairs of the National Committee shall be conducted by the Executive Committee and its powers exercised thereby.

The National Committee recognizes the autonomy of member state parties and their right to conduct and control their own internal affairs.

X. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Bylaws may be adopted by majority vote at any meeting of the National Committee provided that the amendment be stated in the call for the meeting and circulated to the chairman of each state party organization at least 30 days prior to such meeting.

ADOPTED by the Delegates to the Populist Party National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee this 18th day of August, 1984.

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Chairman

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Secretary

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Exhibit "D"

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11:20 a.m.	Report of Nominations Committee	Chairman, EMMETT MILLER
11:30 a.m.	Recess for lunch	
12:00 noon	DEADLINE FOR ALL RESOLUTIONS IN WRITING	
12:15 p.m.	Rules and Bylaws Committee meeting	
1:00 p.m.	Convention Reconvenes	WILLIAM W. BAKER
	Further report of Credentials Committee Further report of Rules Committee	
1:15 p.m.	Nomination of Presidential Candidates	
2:00 p.m.	Vote on Presidential candidates	
2:45 p.m.	Nomination of Vice Presidential Candidates	
3:30 p.m.	Vote on Vice Presidential Candidates	
4:15 p.m.	Acceptance speeches by Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees	
5:00 p.m.	Campaign kick-off	National Campaign Coordinator, EILEEN M. SHEARER
8:00 p.m.	Buffet dinner and celebration party, honoring our candidates and party workers	
	Addresses by candidates and Parade of Populists	
10:00 p.m.	Resolutions Committee meeting	
SUNDAY, August 19	CONVENTION	(Nashville Civic Hall)
8:00 a.m.	Meeting of Resolutions Committee and Rules and Bylaws Committee	
9:00 a.m.	Convention reconvenes	WILLIAM W. BAKER
	Invocation	Rev. DALE CROWLEY
9:15 a.m.	Report of Resolutions Committee	Iowa State Chairman, DON KIMBALL

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THURSDAY, August 16	(Convention headquarters, Best Western Capitol Park Inn)
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2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Lobby. Registration of officers, speakers, candidates, delegates
FRIDAY, August 17	PRE-CONVENTION
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration of delegates and press in lobby, Best Western Inn
9:00 a.m.	Executive Committee meeting. Chairman, WILLIAM W. BAKER
All day	State caucus meetings
10:30 a.m.	Rules and Bylaws Committee meeting. Chairman, FLEMING LEE
1:00 p.m.	Nominations Committee meeting. Chairman, EMMETT MILLER
3:30 p.m.	Resolutions Committee meeting. Chairman, DON KIMBALL
5:00 p.m.	Poolside Patio. Welcome reception and social get-together. Dress: Populist Country & Western or casual
8:00 p.m.	Grand Ole Opry (optional)
8:30 p.m.	Credentials Committee meeting. Chairman, TOM GOODLOE
SATURDAY, August 18	CONVENTION (Nashville Civic Hall)
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Continuing Registration
9:00 promptly	Convening of Convention. National Chairman, WILLIAM W. BAKER

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RICHARDS, SALAMAN HEAD POPULIST TICKET

Bob Richards of Waco, Texas, winner of two Olympic gold medals, was the choice of Populists for President of the United States at the party's historic convention in Nashville, Tennessee, on August 18, 1984.



Bob Richards

Maureen Kennedy Salaman of San Francisco, California, president of the National Health Federation, was acclaimed as Richards' Vice-Presidential running-mate.

The convention vote on the two candidates was advisory, being contingent upon ratification of the nominations by the state convention of California's American Independent Party, the largest state affiliate of the Populist Party. The two nominations were confirmed by the A.I.P. on August 25, 1984.

At the Nashville convention, Richards defeated his closest challenger Charles Glenn of Pennsylvania by a vote of 469 to 7.



Maureen Kennedy Salaman

Salaman defeated six opponents by a vote of 351 to the opposition's combined total of 122.

Forty-seven states and the District of Columbia were represented at the Populist Party convention. Total registered delegates numbered 651.

Richards, who won the Populist presidential nomination, is a nationally known speaker and author, with an outstanding record of athletic accomplishments. He was a member of three U. S. Olympic teams, and won gold medals in 1952 and 1956 in pole vault competition. One of the top motivational speakers in the country, he has addressed over 12,000 audiences.

The nomination of Richards represents the first time since its formation in 1967 that the American

Independent Party has nominated a candidate for President outside the field of politics.

Salaman, the Populist Vice-Presidential nominee is an outstanding speaker with national recognition who has been an active participant in the health movement and various humanitarian causes since 1964. In addition to her work as president of the National Health Federation, she serves as associate editor of "Health Freedom News," and is a well known radio personality in San Francisco, where she hosts two talk shows.

Among her other activities, Salaman has traveled to the Far East on behalf of the M.I.A. program to locate and free American servicemen unaccounted for in the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

In a major address to the convention, Richards pledged to campaign on a platform including reform of the economy and reduction of U. S. involvement in foreign lands. He said that if elected, he will abolish the Federal Reserve system, reduce federal spending, eliminate income taxes, and raise $750 billion by taxing 50 percent of the $1.5 trillion that the banks earn each year in interest charges to their customers.

Richards said that by eliminating the Federal Reserve, he would restore to the government, instead of private bankers, the power to issue money.

He also said he would place a tariff on all foreign products entering the U. S. and revitalize American industries such as steel, gas, and heavy equipment.

Richards, promised to stop U. S. commitments to fight foreign wars, and to take the profit out of war. He strongly condemned making profit at the expense of the slaughter of American servicemen.

Salaman, too, pledged to support repeal of the personal income tax and abolition of the Federal Reserve.

"I have one goal in life," she said, "to leave America free. I have a duty to see that my fellow Americans are free. If we are to enjoy the fruits of liberty emblazened with sacrifice in our Constitution and Declaration of Independence, paid for by the man in uniform, purchased by the Man on the Cross, then we have a duty and responsibility to see that those who gave their lives might rest in peace, knowing that the land that they defended is still free."

Salaman said that when she was a young child, her father was killed in World War II in the Pacific. "I was always forbidden to pray, 'God keep Daddy safe.' I was admonished that I must always pray, 'God make Daddy brave and keep him true.'

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For two days of sessions, the enthusiastic Populist delegates cheered their candidates and other speakers. They greeted with particular excitement the announcement that Richards and Salaman will probably be on 31 or more state ballots in 1984. The American Independent Party now affiliated with the Populists, has not had this number of ballot positions in a presidential election since 1972.

In support of their candidates, the Populist delegates adopted a "Statement of Critical Issues" which sets forth the main thrust of the party in the 1984 campaign. The six issues selected include:

"1. Abolish the privately owned Federal Reserve system.

"2. Repudiate the national debt.

"3. Repeal the Federal income tax on individuals.

"4. Enact tariff laws which will rejuvenate American industry and protect the living standard of our working men and women.

"5. Restrict immigration to protect employment for American workers.

"6. Restore the America First tradition of non-involvement in foreign wars."

In addition, the Populists adopted resolutions in support of American farmers, a balanced budget, honest elections, and the Monroe Doctrine.

National Committee bylaws were adopted, providing for a board of officers with four year terms commencing in March, 1985, and representation for participating state parties in the National Committee. Following the example of the American Independent Party, the Populst bylaws recognize "the autonomy of member state parties and their right to conduct and control their own internal affairs."

Five officers were elected by unanimous vote to serve the term from August 1984 to March 1985. They include: William W. Baker of Nevada, Chairman: Jim Yarbrough of Georgia,

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vice-chairman; Don Kimball of Iowa, secretary; Emmett Miller of Alabama, Treasurer; and William K. Shearer of California, parliamentarian.

Subsequently, as permitted by the bylaws, the officers unanimously named two additional members of the executive committee: Willis A. Carto, founder of the Populist Party; and Thomas M. Goodloe, chairman of the American Independent Party's National committee.

In conjunction with the Populist convention, the American Independent Party's national executive committeee met in Nashville, and voted unanimously to: (1) suspend operation of the committee; (2) urge support of the candidates and "statement of Critical Issues" adopted by the Populist Party; and (3) make a $1,000 financial contribution to the national Populist Party. It was agreed by the A.I.P. leaders that there was no need for a separate National Committee duplicating the unified effort of the Populist Party's National Committee.

Former Rep. John R. Rarick of Louisana, the American Independent Party's 1980 presidential nominee, was the keynote speaker at the Nashville Populist convention. In a stirring address, Rarick emphasized that the Populists can win by stressing three major issues: money, jobs, and taxes.

The convention concluded with a "School of Politics" which included talks on "breaking the media barrier" by Vice-Presidental candidate Maureen Salaman; "student recruitment" by Victor Marchetti and Andrew Russo; an exposure of "computer vote fraud" by Kenneth and James Collier; "successful petitioning" by Trisha Katson; "party structure" by Don Kimball; "Federal election law compliance" by Fleming Lee; "the propaganda war" by Lois Peterson; "basic public relations" by Ed Shaw; and "practical public psychology" by National Committee Chairman William W. Baker.

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BOB RICHARDS
PRESIDENT

MAUREEN KENNEDY SALAMAN
VICE-PRESIDENT





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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

of the

POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C.

November 24th & 25th, 1984

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The Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States met in Washington, D. C. in the Liberty Lobby Building, 300 Independence Avenue, S. E., on Friday and Saturday, November 24th and 25th, 1984.

The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by National Chairman William W. Baker who presided. Those Present were the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, James H. Yarbrough, the Secretary, Willis A. Carto, Thomas L. Goodloe, Emmett Miller and William K. Shearer.

Others present with the sanction of the Executive Committee were John Couture, Maureen Salaman, Fred Seipold and Eileen Shearer. Present at the request of the Chairman was Matthew Balik.

Chairman Baker presented an agenda by which he suggested the Executive Committee proceed to consider the following:

1. Current Status of the Party
2. Goals of the Party
3. Necessities of the Party
4. Financial Independence of the Party
5. Results of the 1984 voting and ballot status
6. State Chairmen and State Structures
7. Planning for the March meeting
8. Agenda for the National Committee meeting

The Executive Committee proceeded to discuss the first point of the Chairman's agenda.

There was a motion by William K. Shearer to admit to full Executive Committee membership the Honorable John Couture from Wisconsin and (Mrs.) Maureen Salaman, the Party's recent Vice Presidential candidate. The motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held on party membership and who were the members of the party, what groups, what economic strata.

Chairman Baker reported on his interview with Braden and Buchanan on "Crossfire" and offered to show the film of it to anyone who wanted to see it during the lunchbreak. He also reported on his 'Klan-Watch' activities and suggested that "we do not have to be too defensive."

Discussion was held on the location of the National Convention for 1988, the apportionment of delegates. The Secretary reported that the party had been invited to hold its 1988 convention in Minneapolis.

It was moved by Willis Carto and seconded by Thomas Goodloe to discuss the financial situation of the party. It was reported that between March and October of 1984 the party had received $ 235,512.03. Other receipts and disbursements were discussed for various periods of time the final totals were as follows:

Total Received for year	$ 648,833.40
Total Disbursements	621,121.37
Cash on Hand	24,712.03

Obligations over cash on hand were discussed to include out-of-pocket and other obligations; also the encumbered debt of the party. There was also debts of the Richards campaign to be considered.

Treasurer Miller reported that he had not been kept totally informed as to the status of the party's funds. It was agreed without a motion that the Treasurer be kept completely informed.

Financial obligations continued to be discussed. A figure of $ 275,073.92 was finally agreed upon as the total for which the party was obligated.

Revised obligations after additional ones were brought to light bringing the total obligations to $ 317, 390.17. It was reported that some of the obligatory debt was due the SPOTLIGHT for services rendered and the use of personal on a pro rata basis. Otherdiscussions showed obligations for the Richards campaign to be around $ 60,000 for a debt owed Park Lane Press and another $ 16,000 yet outstanding. It was also reported that Bob Richards owes the travel bill and also rental money for Dependable Mailing Lists.

The Executive Committee recessed at 10:40 and reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

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Members of the Executive Committee returned from the recess with $ 21,809.19 in additional obligations and bills due. It was discussed that most of the expenses had gone for attorney's fees and field obligations expenses. It was also reported that no substantial payments of the amount of $ 621,121.37 had gone to Liberty Lobby. At that time Chairman Baker recognized Fred Seipold to report on the legal bills. It was reported that in Alaska there was a bill for $ 654 additional and in Indiana $ 500.00 additional and another $ 225 due in New Jersey.

The conduct of John Armor was discussed.

Reports were received about Maine, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Texas. Further reports were made on the activities of Fippen and Long, attorneys and their bringing a law suit against the party for $ 3,900.

Payments were authorized to attorneys as follows:

Alaska	$ 654.00
New Jersey	975.90
Wyoming	510.00
South Dakota	25.15
Utah	900.00
Virginia	495.08
Plus $ 500 to answer a lawsuit	500.00
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The Executive Committee adjourned for lunch after 1:00 p.m. and reconveneed at 2:40 p.m. There was a further examination of bills which amounted to "a large total with an inability to cover outstanding obligations among which were 1. payroll, 2. functions, 3. litigation, 4. party-building and other."

Chairman Baker recognized Fleming Lee, the General Counsel, to address the Executive Committee about litigations and the F.E.C. He reported that the basic difficulty the party faced in this area was the activities of Bob Richards who recognized a committee to help him. He then gave a history of the Richards efforts and the funds raised through mailing. He reported that candidate Bob Richards had started another committee in Texas. Mr. Lee said that a candidate should have only one campaign committee and that Mr. Richards had organized one which "was improper." Attention was given to the expenses made on Richards's behalf and money given directly to him.

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Mr. Lee reported that virtually all the funds for the Richards campaign came to the original committee but that Mr. Richards disavowed the original committee itself. The F.E.C. advised Richards to merge what resulted in two campaign committees. He reported that Richards said "no compromise." Richards also reportedly complained of "no control" over the committee set up for him. He also reported that the F.E.C. reported that there were "many violations." Also, that Mr. Richards had written a letter to the F.E.C. but that the Populist Party to date had received no notice of a compaint from the F.E.C. The outcome of it all was that Bob Richards had refused to participate in the campaign and a question remained as to whether or not he must return $ 73,000 to the Populist Party.

Mr. Lee reported that the F.E.C. can bear down hard when put under pressure and that Mr. Richards may be investigated by that agency. The F.E.C., he said, has the information but no complaint has been filed. Mr. Lee advised that the Populist Party would have no obligations to Mr. Richards.

There followeddiscussion on the Richards for President campaign and that the deadline for matching funds has not necessarily passed.

Mr. Carto asked Mr. Lee if the Populist Party should sue Bob Richards personally and Mr. Lee advised that "there is no present basis for a Populist Party suit. Discussion then centered around Libertarian activities. Mr. Shearer said that we should consider costs at all time. He referred to "acrimonious philosophical discussion." Mr. Carto moved and Emmett seconded that discussion on this area be postponed until the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee.

The Executive Committee recessed at 4:20 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Committee members expressed concern over the financial situation and discussion followed on that subject. The committee agreed to go on record as accepting the figure of $ 301,887.04 as the total obligation of the party. The Maureen Salaman for Vice President Committee had outstanding credits of $ 9,500 and it was pointed out that the committee for the vice presidential nominee spent less than the amount budgeted.

It was agreed that Emmett Miller and Jim Yarbrough would meet with Blayne Hutzel on Sunday morning to go over more figures.

Mr. Shearer observed that funds will always be short and made some points regarding the party's financial situation.

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Further discussion ensured in re the party's finances and it was reported that allocating personnel costs for services rendered to the Populist Party by both Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT began June 11th. Liberty Lobby services were reported to be separate from The SPOTLIGHT and also Populist Party expenses were separate from those of Bob Richards. The cost accounting procedures would be explained by Blayne Hutzel.

Mr. Carto concluded that the selection of Bob Richards as a Presidential candidate had been a mistake and that the use of the Wendy Fairfield organization had likewise been a mistake. He reported that between the Populist Party and Bob Richards nearly $ 1,000,000 was raised.

Emmmett Miller addressed the committee about the Populist Party and referred to "well-organized elements in California, Wisconsin and the South." He suggested that the party debt be liquidated by an appeal for funds from party members. Mr. Miller also discussed the need for a uniform national ballot qualification law and suggested further that the Populist Party join in such a lobbying effort in concert with other "third" parties.

Chairman Baker then guided the discussions to the establishment of a second bank account for the party and expressed his desire to bring "external funds into the party." He began discussion centering around the Secretary's refusal to arbitrarily sign bank authorization cards whereupon the Secretary referred to the Uniform Commerical Codes prevalent in most of the states and insisted likewise that Executive Committee action was necessary before any such cards were signed.

At that point Counsel Seipold backed up the Secretary's judgment and said that his action in refusing to sign the cards at Chairman Baker's request was exactly proper.

Chairman Baker alluded to the fact that only now had the Executive Committee been getting knowledge of the party's indebtedness. Mr. Shearer spoke to the legal exposure. Mr. Carto rendered his judgment that one of our goals should be to get the Populist Party out of the "SPOTLIGHT orbit."

Mr. Shearer thereupon discussed the responsibility for funds and suggested that a program of disbursements and control of funds should be a matter of procedure. He suggested that the party had obligations to meet all indebtedness and proposed:

1. The Executive Committee has to have oversight.
2. An active Treasurer with two persons signing checks.
3. A monthly report to the Treasurer.
4. The possible establishment of a sinking fund.

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5. That there be no open-ended expenditures.

The Executive Committee showed itself unanimously in agreement with Mr. Shearer's thoughts. No motions were made.

Chairman Baker offered some thoughts on his ideas for a national Populist Party headquarters, a new building. There was some little discussion and the committee adjourned for dinner.

The Committee came back into session following dinner and immediately decided to put all financial questions on hold.

Chairman Baker then called for discussion on the situations in the various states. Reports were heard on all the states from Mr. Yarbrough, Mr. Seipold and the Secretary.

Discussion was held on what the national party was going to be in 1985 and 1986. It was concluded that the party's aims for 1985 & '86 be centered around:

1. Building organizations.
2. Getting petition drives started for 1988.
3. Seeking and running good candidates, and,
4. Weeding out the "creepy crawlers."

It was added that early organizational meetings be held with subsequent meetings and that an emphasis be made to get young people into the party.

Fred Seipold discussed the state party assessment structure.

The meeting recessed at 10:40 p.m. and was scheduled to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. the next day, Sunday the 25th.

The second day of the Executive Committee meeting began at 8:05 a.m. on Sunday, November 20th all members present or appearing shortly thereafter.

Mr. Carto suggested leaving consideration of the states' situations and moving back into financial discussions and the ratio work done by Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT for the Populist Party.

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The Chair recognized committee member Tom Goodloe of California who announced that in view of the financial situation and the indebtedness of the party he felt moved to tender his resignation. He departed the meeting after his announcement and there was no time allowed for discussion of it.

Mr. Shearer spoke to the resignation of Mr. Goodloe and the duties of the Executive Committee and nominated Mr. Fred Seipold of Idaho who was present at the meeting to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Goodloe.

The nomination was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Yarbrough and carried 7-0.

Discussion then ensued in re the costs of office personnel and it was reported that in April of 1984 71% of the time and efforts of certain persons were devoted to the Populist Party; in May the figure was 57%. Mr. Carto explained the bills for advertising.

Mr. Emmett Miller addressed himself to the expenses of the Populist Party with The SPOTLIGHT and discussed "going-in expenses" and "organizational expenses." John Couture emphasized that the party has "got to move forward."

The Chair called for resumption of the discussion of the states individually and suggested that the national office direct a letter to each state chairman.

Mrs. Salaman suggested that no one be present at the meetings of the Executive Committee except resource people and only when needed. The reference was made to Mr. Balik who included himself in the meetings evidently at the sufferance of the Chair and who participated in the discussions of the committee. No motion was offered or acted upon.

It was explained that the two Populist Party telephone lines were paid for by Liberty Lobby and that The SPOTLIGHT had provided printing and other services to the party.

At 11:55 Mr. Shearer moved the Committee recess until 1:15 and it was so ordered and without objection.

The Executive Committee reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

Mr. Shearer suggested that first we must know all of the party's obligations and then spoke to putting everything in context and then proceed with formal motions. The committee seems in agreement with such a procedure.

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Discussion was held about establishing a finance committee to watch day-to-day expenses; also the establishment of a debt fund. It was suggested that a sinking fund be established and supported by assessments upon members. It was thought unlikely that such an action would prove feasible. It was suggested that there be an account known as the 'debt retirement account' and another to be the 'operating account.'

Suggestions were made for establishing spending formulae and a budget. Emmmett Miller spoke about making final decisions on the party's financial situation.

Mr. Shearer offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party accept obligations of $ 264,888.80 (due Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation) as the valid and binding debt to be repaid to creditors through fund-raising campaigns to be commenced at the option of the creditors with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the Populist Party establish an operating account with the Security National Bank, Washington, D. C., which fund shall be used for day-to-day administration of the party; and,

"Resolved, that the current account at the Capitol National Bank, Washington, D. C., be used as a debt retirement account and that all expenditures other than debt retirement be approved by the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the individual members of the Executive Committee be absolved of any liability for debt; that all current bills be paid with existing monies as recommended by Mr. Miller's Expense Statement Memo as items #1 thru #24 of 21 November 1984, and, further, that items #31 and #32 and the remainder of the obligations be paid when the funds become available with the meeting of the obligations to be contingent upon each of the creditors providing each member of the Executive Committee with a written absolution of personal liability and/or obligation; and,

"Resolved, that all current bills be paid with existing funds as per the Expense Statement Memo lines 21-24 and lines 31 and 32 with the remainder of the obligations to be paid as the funds become available specifically lines 27-30, line 33, and line 35 on the aforesaid memo and on Mr. Miller's second sheet, lines 1-12.

Mr. Shearer moved the adoption of his resolution which was seconded by Mr. Couture and it was adopted 9-0.

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The Secretary prepared a proper resolution that the Chairman could use to open a bank account for the new operating account. It was read by the Secretary to the Committee and Mr. Seipold moved its adoption; seconded by Mrs. Salaman. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 9-0.

Mrs. Salaman introduced and led discussion on a "Populist Patriotic Pledge Program" calling for $ 10.00 per month from participating members. It was suggested that the program be implemented by The SPOTLIGHT and that Mrs. Salaman handle the mechanics of establishing such a program. It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Seipold that the committee give its approval to the plan. The vote was 7 with two abstentions.

The meeting was recessed by a vote of 8-0 and called back into session at 3:20 p.m. in Executive Session.

The location of the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee was discussed. The By-laws dictated that the meeting be held the second Saturday in March and that a quorum of 26 states would be required to transact business. The plan for proxies was discussed.

It was moved by Mr. Carto and seconded by Mr. Miller that the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee be held in Nashville, Tennessee. There was some discussion to include comments upon the treatment of the Populist Party by the Nashville press. The motion was withdrawn.

The meeting date was mandated to be March 9th, 1985, and it was moved by Mr. Couture and seconded by Mr. Shearer that the meeting be held in Chicago, Illinois. The motion was adopted 8-0 and the Secretary was directed to move forward securing people in the Chicago area to make further arrangements for the said meeting of the National Committee.

Vice Chairman Yarbrouhg presided in the absence of Chairman Baker. The Secretary offered a resoluvtion as follows:

> "Resolved that at all subsquent meetings of the Executive Committee that no person shall sit in on the meetings except members of the Executive Committee and any necessary staff or resource personnel and only at the specific request of the Committee with such staff or resource personnel remaining present only during the necessity of their presence."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his resolution and it was seconded by Mrs. Salaman and adopted 8-0.

The Secretary offered another resolution as follows:

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"Resolved, that Mrs. Eileen Shearer be made an Ex Officio member of the Executive Committee with all the privileges of regular membership except the voting privilege, to include participation in discussion and with a perpetual invitation to attend any meetings of that body."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his motion and it was seconded by Mr. Couture and was adopted 8-0.

Discussion reverted to the March meeting of the National Committee and March 9th was mandated upon a motion adopted 8-0 by Mr. Couture and second by Mr. Shearer directing that the national office send forth the official call and that notice be not less than 30 days before the meeting, and that a statement of assessment be included.

The 1988 Populist National Convention was considered again and the Secretary reiterated the invitation by the Populists of Minnesota to have the convention in the Minneapolis and/or St. Paul, MN, area. No action was taken at this early date.

There was discussion on future programs and objectives. It was approved that there be a distribution of the By-Laws.

The Executive Committee then returned to discussion of the finances. An austerity program would have to be adhered to for the ensuing months, it was agreed. Until March, the committee concluded, there would have to be a "caretaker condition," in the words of Mr. Shearer. The committee dealt with projected necessary expenses such as office, phone and necessary salaries.

The idea of a separate national office as offered for consideration by the Chair was dispensed with and a more realistic approach considered. The Secretary suggested that survival is the first law of nature. Mr. Carto suggested that the 546-5530 number for the Populist Party be retained and offered the gratis services of (Mrs.) Lois Petersen to answer the calls and refer them to coordinators around the nation. That way there would be maintained a national number which would have the unifying effect of a national office.

The Executive Committee unanimously agreed upon the following procedure for a "caretaker situation:"

1. Keep the national office technically in the Liberty Building and accept the offer of Mr. Carto for answering and coordination communication by Mrs. Petersen.

2. Divide the nation into three areas, the eastern, the central and the western, retaining three area coordinating chairmen, and,

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3. That the area coordinating chairman be paid $ 1,000 per month and allowed expenses up to $ 500.

It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Carto that the foregoing conditions acquiesced in by the committe be put into a formal motion and it was adopted 8-0 with the further stipulation that all such payments be made with the approval of the major creditor.

The Secretary then offered the suggestion that if the coordinating chairmen who carried the brunt of the party's work were to be reduced by 1/3rd in their salaries that it seemed logical that the National Chairman be also cut. He put it into the form of a motion which was seconded by Mr. Yarbrough. The motion passed 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining. According to the motion the Chairman would be paid$ 2,000 per month and allowed $ 500 in expenses and further that the Chairman's salary and expenses were ordered to be paid from and out of the independent operating account for which he would henceforth raise his suggested "external funds" and over which he would have control with checks to be signed by himself and the comptroller, Mr. Hutzel.

Mr. Shearer then offered a similar motion stating that "the foregoing motion further constitutes notice to all now in the employ of the party that this is a three-month deal subject to action by the National Executive Committee and ending March 9th and contingent upon the ability to pay future salaries."

The Shearer motion was seconded by Mr. Couture and adopted by a vote of 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining.

There was a motion by Mr. Shearer that the assessments by the national party upon the states (for 1/3d of a year) and the registration fees for the National Committee meeting in March be deposited in the operating account; it was seconded by Mr. Couture and passed 9-0.

The committee then went to discussion of Emmett Miller's idea for a national uniform ballot-qualifcation law. He suggested that such an effort could be coordinated by the Council of State Governments and with Washington State Sen. Jack Metcalf. After discussion the motion was withdrawn temporarily.

The committee then considered a motion by Mr. Carto, seconded by Mr. Shearer that"any majority of the members of the Executive Committee may convene the Executive Committee, with proper notice being given." It was adopted 9-0.

The Chair then recognized Mr. Carto who led a discussion of various groups who should be courted for their potential interest in and possible support of the Populist Party.

The committee recessed for dinner at 7:15 p.m.

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The committee reconvened at 9:20 p.m. with the Vice Chairman presiding, the Chairman having had to leave to appear on a radio talk show.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough called the meeting to order and discussion returned to the Miller Resolution for a national uniform ballot access law and Mr. Miller offered the following resolution:

> "Resolved, that the Executive Committee authorize the drafting of a Uniform Political Party Ballot Qualification Law for adoption by the various states of the Union in cooperation with other political parties in lobbying efforts, such proposed law to have targeted requirements of certification of national candidates by a national convention attended by delegates from at least one-half (1/2) the states and by petition in statewide situations of 500 qualified electors distributed by congressional districts.

Mr. Miller then spoke to his motion. Mr. Shearer suggested the motion be amended to include that the proposed law be drafted by Mr. Miller and suggested the assistance of Mr. Richard Winger of San Francisco, California, and further suggested that the motion "not be eroded with other ideas." The amendments were so stipulated and Mr. Miller moved its final adoption with the second by Mr. Shearer and it passed 8-0.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough then recognized Mr. Couture who spoke to the necessity of having an organized basis for starting the party's work. He explained his six-tier program which was/is a proposed program for large party membership and leadership expansion. The committee was very receptive to Mr. Couture's remarks and agreed it was needed to improve the membership numbers and the organization andactivities of the Populist Party.

Other short discussions were held and after 11:00 p.m. the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn and to reconvene on March 9th or 10th in Chicago, Ills., 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. KIMBALL
National Secretary

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If your Country has a future as an independent nation, that future is Populist . . .



From the desk of
JOHN R. RARICK

BUT, if America is to be submerged into an international swamp, with our precious, blood-bought Constitution canceled by a world economic-political government, the Republican Party and the Democratic Party will be GUILTY of that crime.

Both major parties strongly support internationalism. "America First" is now virtually a dirty name to leaders of the "two" parties.

Now I have been a Democrat all my political life. I served in the House of Representatives for eight years from the Sixth District of Louisiana and before that five years as an elected state judge.

As a Democrat I did all I could to work for Constitutional principles and for American sovereignty.

My record shows it. I am very proud of that record.

Unfortunately, I learned the hard way that as a member of either party you must either "play ball" with the powers that be . . . or else.

The Democrats took away my seniority in 1969, making me a "freshman" in the committees I served. They did this because I persisted in voting and acting according to my conscience instead of the party line.

I was punished for political heresy. For standing up for America.

WHY I AM NOT A REPUBLICAN

Do I hear you ask me, "Then why don't you join the Republican Party?" If that is your question, let me give you only two (out of many) very recent reasons why I'm not joining the Republicans.

Do you remember what Bob Dole--the Republican leader of the Senate and one of the most powerful Republicans in America--had to say right after the Republican Platform Committee brought in their report during the GOP convention in Dallas, last year?

If you watched television, you will recall that a large group of patriotic, mainstream Americans had worked long and hard to hammer out a platform. Since they pretty much represented the Republican grassroots, it was conservative, reflecting the party membership, not David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations or the Trilateral Commission.

Dole was asked by a liberal reporter how long it would take the Republican leadership to forget about the platform.

"About as long as it takes to pack our bags," he sneered.

If that doesn't make you see red, what will?

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It beats me how any self-respecting American can support the Republican Party after Dole's contemptuous comment.

Dole, remember, is one of the most powerful men in Washington. He is a vigorous proponent of higher taxes. For YOU. Even as thousands of farmers in his state--Kansas--are going bankrupt, thanks to the Republican free trade and high-interest banker-dictated policies he promotes, Dole demands higher taxes to pay for increased foreign aid and the interest on the so-called "national debt."

(As you know, the "national debt" has been created by bankers literally out of nothing. But you are forced to pay exorbitant interest on it out of your earnings. You should read Don Kimball's new book on this subject.)

Because the newspapers in Kansas are controlled by the banks and the liberals, the voters in that state aren't told the truth about Dole. They think he is "conservative"!

THE GREAT "CONSERVATIVE" FLIM-FLAM

The horrifying fact is that, under a "conservative" banker-controlled president, the Republican Party is dropping all pretense that it is nationalistic and in tune with the Republican mainstream. Just the other day, 35 "conservative" Republican congressmen signed an inflammatory letter to the ambassador from South Africa which could well have been written in Moscow. Joining the most liberal of the Democrats, like Rep. Steven Solarz and Sen. Teddy Kennedy, they threatened dire consequences unless that country immediately does away with apartheid.

One of the signers, Vin Weber, of Minnesota, later explained. Writing in the liberal Washington Post, he said: "WE MUST ESTABLISH THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AS AMERICA'S NEW INTERNATIONALIST PARTY."

Weber said that many Republicans might think this is "treason."

You can forget about the Republicans as you can forget about the Democrats. Both are totally controlled puppets of the internationalists.

I AM A POPULIST

Like so many thousands of former Republicans and Democrats who put their country ahead of their traditional party loyalty, I am now a proud member of the Populist Party.

It took the rebirth of the one and only party which has always stood for American principles to make me realize that I have been a populist all my life.

> I HAVE ALWAYS REVERED THE CONSTITUTION. I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AN AMERICAN FIRST. I HAVE ALWAYS OPPOSED COMMUNISM AND SOCIALISM. I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE SHOULD BE SERVED AHEAD OF THE BANKS AND THE MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND THE LISPING "INTELLECTUALS."

And I plan to devote all of the time and money I can spare from now on supporting and helping to build the Populist Party.

(Have you noticed many politicians suddenly calling themselves "populist" since our party has re-appeared? Don't let them fool you. Only one party stands for the Jeffersonian principles of populism.)

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A POLITICAL MIRACLE

Last year you and I witnessed one of the great political miracles of our time. Almost entirely unnoticed by the press, the Populist Party was reborn and, in a mere eight months, had become an organized and permanent presence on the American scene.

Starting its organizing in March, the party had its first convention since 1896 in September. It nominated candidates and--considering the limited time and funds at its disposal--did far better than any other "third" party, including some which have been active for many years and spent millions.

I'll include a reprint of an article which appeared in The SPOTLIGHT giving the incredible vote. This is an astounding performance. This is the most encouraging thing to happen in years.

Starting to organize in March, the party held its first national convention since 1896 in September and nominated two outstanding candidates for president and vice-president. By October party organizations were functioning in 49 states and the party was on the ballot in 14.

On election day the party received almost as many votes as other "third" parties which have been active for years, and which raised millions of dollars.

This is an astounding record for a fledgling party. I'll enclose reprints from The SPOTLIGHT which detail this historic achievement.

I don't know about you, but to me, this is the most encouraging thing to happen in years! All is NOT lost. We have built a solid foundation for a major new party. Now we must go forward and build that party. We need three things: ORGANIZATION, LEADERSHIP, and FUNDING.

ORGANIZATION

Although the future of the Populist Party is very bright, there are also immediate and pressing problems. There is no time to lose.

Enormous strides have been made setting up state committees and gaining ballot position. Now we must begin the task of organizing the party down to the local level. We have to set up party committees in every county, every precinct.

WE MUST BEGIN NOW. WE CANNOT WAIT. WE MUST PREPARE TO RUN CANDIDATES FOR LOCAL, STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES NEXT YEAR--1986. AND THERE WILL BE A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN 1988!

LEADERSHIP

Leadership is another pressing and urgent need. We need hard workers and leaders. We need candidates. We need fundraisers. We need to get more young people involved. So please get in touch with your chairman of the party in your state if you haven't already. GET ACTIVE WITH YOUR POPULIST PARTY!

FUNDING

This brings me to our greatest weakness, our lack of funds. Our potential is almost unlimited but our means available are pathetic. But this is natural. The strength of populism is also its weakness. Populism stands for the people but in politics today the money comes from the special interests. Obviously,

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David Rockefeller and his Big Buck Banking Cabal are not standing in the background with their checkbooks. Their money is for the Republicrats and the smaller parties which promote their interests, such as free trade and higher taxes. They will do all they can to frustrate us.

The money to support populism must come from the people it benefits, not the special interests.

That's why we need your help desperately if the Populist Party is to grow --if it is to survive. We must pay off the party debt (almost $200,000) and move forward.

In addition to paying off the debt we need at least a million dollars to finance our activities this year of 1986--this critical year when there is so much to be done!

The Populist Party offers Hope. It may be the last chance you and I have to save America--to painfully pull it back from the brink of the final plunge into the fetid swamp of national destruction. The internationalists --who are very near to dissolving our national independence and our Constitution in a capitalist/Marxist world economic union--must be stopped before it is too late!

AND IT IS NEARLY TOO LATE!

This is why I appeal to you to meet this challenge the only way it can be met--with a new party--the Populist Party.

PLEASE help in every way you can. Otherwise, George Orwell's "1984" will be delayed no longer.

Yours, for the Constitution

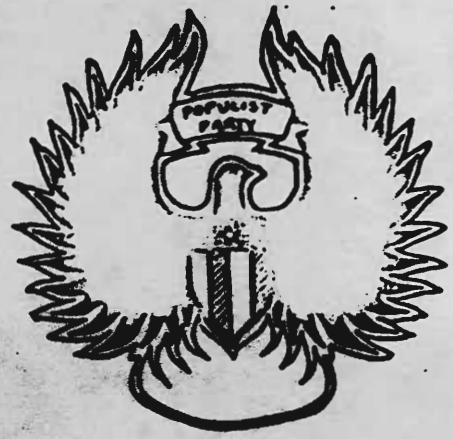
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P.S. I almost forgot. Don Kimball, our Central States Coordinator and secretary of our Executive Committee, has just written a truly great book, The Money and the Power. You must have this 160-page book; it is truly outstanding. I've never read any book which explains the historic money question so well, so clearly, so persuasively. It is truly a superb primer, perfect to give to someone who doesn't understand the total fraud of our dishonest money system. If you contribute $20 or more I will send you a free copy of this $6 book.

Contribute to the party and get up to a $50 tax credit on your 1985 return — $100 for a joint return!

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POPULISM—

the Wave of the Future.

☐ Please send me further information about the Populist Party.

☐ Yes, I want to become a supporting member of the Populist Party National Committee. I'm enclosing $15 in annual dues.

☐ I wish to contribute to the Populist Party's national campaign fund. I am enclosing $_____.

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Send to:
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Washington, D.C. 20013
Telephone: (202) 546-5530

The Populist Party platform is based on the simple premise:

Power to the People—
Not to the Special Interests

The Populist Party Places AMERICA First

The principles of Populism are as fresh today as they were when America's first populist, Thomas Jefferson, penned the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

The new Populist Party was established in Washington, D.C. on February 29, 1984 and is organized in every state. In the recent presidential election the party's candidates for president and vice president were on the ballot in 14 states. By 1988 the party expects to have ballot status in every state.

If you want to help the Populist Party in this state contact:

Local Populist Party units may put their own address here.

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Are YOU a Populist?

Check your positions on the issues against those of the various political parties as listed on the chart inside and see where you stand.

Are you a Populist?

Find out.

WHERE DO *YOU* STAND ON THE ISSUES?

MAJOR ISSUE	COMMUNIST PARTY	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	REPUBLICAN PARTY	POPULIST PARTY	YOUR POSITION
REPEAL THE FEDERAL INCOME TAX on the wages of the working middle class, which currently bears most of the tax burden.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT AMERICAN JOBS AND INDUSTRY from foreign competition. Institute fair tariff laws to equalize production costs at the water's edge. Promote domestic enterprise. Restrict immigration to protect employment for American workers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP INFLATION, BRING DOWN INTEREST RATES, AND PREVENT NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY by abolishing the private banking monopoly known as the Federal Reserve System which maintains a profitable deadlock on our economy at the expense of America's workers, farmers and small businessmen.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE. Establish a military which is second-to-none. Cease shipments of advanced technology and military equipment to enemy nations. Defend America, not the world.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
PROTECT THE RIGHT OF LAW-ABIDING HOMEOWNERS AND SPORTSMEN to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Constitution.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REVITALIZE THE FAMILY FARM. Establish an immediate moratorium on all foreclosures against farmers, homeowners, and small businessmen. Provide parity for family farmers.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
STOP MEDDLING IN FOREIGN WARS. Restore America's traditional non-interventionist foreign policy as laid down by President George Washington. Stop sacrificing American boys in wars fought to benefit the special interests.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REINVIGORATE THOMAS JEFFERSON'S PRINCIPLE: "Equal Rights for All; Special Privileges for None." End all forced racial busing, quotas and affirmative action programs.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
RESTORE FREEDOM OF CHOICE in health care and education. End government restrictions which interfere with medical freedom and the right of parents and local school districts to guide their children's education.	NO	NO	NO	YES	
REPUDIATE THE NATIONAL DEBT except that held by lenders who have invested their earned money in government securities. This will cut the artificially inflated debt and interest by at least one-half.	NO	NO	NO	YES	

ARE YOU A *POPULIST*?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The National Committee of the Populist Party, composed of the official delegates from all states having a recognized Populist Party, will be held according to the bylaws.

The meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph St., Chicago. Reservations are available at a special rate to Populist Party members. Dial 800-643-1500.

All Populist Party supporting members are cordially invited to attend.

Registration will begin at noon, Friday, March 8. Business meeting will convene at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 9. A Populist Rally will begin immediately after the business meeting. Following a social event Saturday evening will be a Gala Banquet.

Sunday will feature a very important School of Politics. Experts in the fields of state organization, selection of candidates, ballot qualification, petitioning, use of issues, getting out the vote, etc. will speak and answer questions. The period will include panel discussions, questions and answers and confrontational situations.

Most events will be open to Supporting Members without charge. An appropriate charge will be made for the Populist Rally and Gala Banquet.

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I ALSO WANT TO HELP THE PARTY PASS THE WORD . . .

☐ **I WANT TO PURCHASE:**

_____ copies of the brochure **Are YOU a Populist?** (100 for $5; 200 or more, 4¢ each) ..... $_____

_____ copies of the Official Platform of the **Populist Party** (100 for $5; 200 or more, 4¢ each) ..... $_____

_____ Official **Populist Party** lapel pin(s) ($5 each) ..... $_____

_____ **Populist Party** bumper sticker(s) ..... $_____

_____ **Abolish I.R.S.** bumper sticker(s) ..... $_____

_____ **Populist Party** button(s) ..... $_____

(All bumper stickers and buttons are $1 each. If you order a dozen or more of a particular item, the price is 35¢ each.)

D.C. residents add 6% sales tax. **GRAND TOTAL** $_____

(Return this card with your order and contribution.) S-2

POPULIST PARTY CONTRIBUTION CARD FOR AMERICA FIRST



YES JUDGE RARICK,

I fully support the POPULIST PARTY. You can count on me to help in this crucial fight for America's survival as a free and independent nation. Please send me a 1985 Supporting Membership card for a minimum donation of $15. And if my contribution is $20 or more, also send me a FREE copy of Don Kimball's book, The Power and the Money. I enclose:

☐$15 ☐$25 ☐$50 ☐$100 ☐$_____Other

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(See reverse side to order POPULIST PARTY items.)

NOTE: Your contribution up to $50 is fully deductible dollar-for-dollar as a tax credit against your 1985 income tax. If you file jointly, you may deduct $100 from the tax you would ordinarily pay. Make check or money order out to POPULIST PARTY and mail to P.O. Box 76737, Washington, D.C. 20013.

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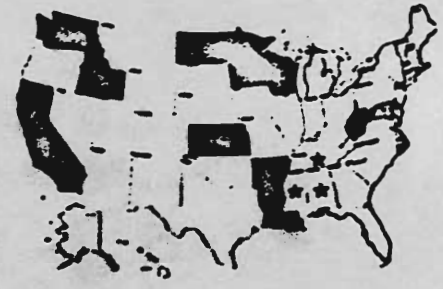
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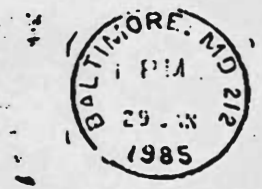
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January 28, 1985

To: All Members of the National Committee, Populist Party

From: National Executive Committee

Subject: CALL OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 9-10, 1985 IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

This letter will serve as your official notice of the meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party to be held Saturday and Sunday, March 9-10, 1985, in Chicago, Illinois. You, and all supporting members of the Populist Party, are cordially invited to attend.

All sessions of the National Committee Meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, 171 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601. Each party member is responsible for making his or her own room reservations and a handy registration card is enclosed for this purpose. Room rates are: $35 for singles; $45 for doubles; and suites are available at special rates. Room reservations may also be made by calling the Bismarck's toll free number: 1-800-643-1500. If your reservation is made by telephone, be sure and inform the hotel that you are with the Populist Party, so that you will qualify for the special room rates quoted above.

Transportation to the hotel is available from Chicago's O'Hare Airport by airport bus at a price of $6.75 one way.

Individual registration fee for the meeting will be $55, payable to the Populist Party. This fee includes National Committee supporting membership for 1985 ($15), ticket to the gala banquet which will be held on Saturday evening, March 9, 1985, and admission to all of the meetings of the National Committee and its sub-committees. This registration fee should be mailed to:

Fred Seipold, Credentials Chairman
P.O. Box 7173
Boise, Idaho 83707

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For further information about meeting arrangements, you are invited to contact Mr. Seipold at 208-336-4335 (office), or 208-343-5049 (residence); or Eileen M. Shearer, National Arrangements Chairman, 619-460-4484.

The Chicago gathering will be the first meeting of the National Committee since the party was formally organized at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee in August, 1984.

Principal business of the meeting will be the election of the party's national officers for the 1985-89 term. Officers to be elected include the National Chairman, National Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian.

In addition to the election of officers, the National Committee will formulate policies for the future growth and development of the Populist Party. Among the topics to be considered are:

1. Organizational structure during the next 4 years;

2. Participation of the party in State and Congressional elections in 1986;

3. Party finances;

4. Campaign techniques and practical applications; and

5. Suggestions by National Committee members with regard to the platform of the Populist Party.

The subject of the platform has attracted much interest among party members. While the bylaws provide that the National Convention, not the National Committee, shall adopt the platform, the National Committee can receive input from the party's membership on this subject. Consequently, it is the intention of the National Committee to establish a sub-committee to hold hearings and take testimony on the platform for purposes of making recommendations to the 1988 National Convention. The first of these platform hearings will be held in conjunction with the Chicago National Committee Meeting. Party members who have platform suggestions are invited to present their views at the hearing.

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Featured speakers at the National Committee's Saturday evening Banquet will be:

- Honorable John R. Rarick of Lousiana, former member of Congress, keynote speaker at the Populist Party's 1984 National Convention, and the American Independent Party's Presidential Nominee in 1980. Rarick is widely recognized for his courageous advocacy of constitutional government and patriotic causes.

- Maureen Kennedy Salaman, the Populist Party's dynamic 1984 Vice-Presidential nominee. Mrs. Salaman, one of the Nation's outstanding speakers, is President of the National Health Federation, is the star of several radio talk shows, and is a nationally recognized author of books on nutrition and freedom of choice in health care.

In addition to addresses by John Rarick and Maureen Salaman, there will be reports by party officers and executive committee members on all aspects of party affairs.

Voting representation at the National Committee meeting will be in accord with the formula for such representation set forth in the Party's National Bylaws. Section II of the Bylaws states in pertinent part:

"Membership in the Populist Party is limited to one political party organization recognized by the National Committee from each State, the District of Columbia, and any other areas specified by the National Committee.

"Representation on the National Committee shall be determined as follows:

"(1) When a member state political party is qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, the state party is entitled to three representatives plus one additional respresentative for each five electoral votes of the subject State or major faction thereof.

(2) When a member state political party was qualified in the most recent general election to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the ballot, but is not so qualified for the next general election ballot, the state organization is entitled to three representatives.

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(3) When a member political organization is not qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, and it was not so qualified in the immediately preceding general election, the state organization is entitled to two representatives."

Under this formula the States will be entitled to the following number of votes in the National Committee meeting: California, 12; Kansas, 4; Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, 3 each; all other states and the District of Columbia, 2 each.

The Bylaws further provide that:

"No State political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessments as established by the National Committee."

Section VII of the Bylaws provides that each member State party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of $20 every 4 months for each voting representative to the National Committee. Two such payments will be due at the National Committee meeting (one for the August-December 1984 period, and one for the January-April 1985 period). Thus, in order to vote in the meeting, a State with two voting members will be required to pay an assessment of $80; a State with three voting representatives will be required to pay an assessment of $120; a State with four voting representatives will be required to pay an assessment of $160; and a State with 12 voting members will be required to pay an assessment of $480. These assessments are in addition to the meeting's registration fee. The National Committee will strictly enforce the rule requiring state parties to be current in their assessments to the National Committee as a condition to voting in the Chicago meeting.

Under the Bylaws of the Populist Party, proxy voting in the National Committee meetings is permitted. However, the Bylaws state that:

"A representative may vote by proxy but no person may cast more than one vote."

This provision insures maximum individual participation in the National Committee meetings and precludes any individual from attempting to control a meeting through accumulating numerous proxies made out to a single individual.

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A proxy form, for your use, is included with this official notice of the National Committee meeting.

The importance of the Chicago meeting can not be overemphasized. You will not want to miss this historic event.

Please mail your registration immediately upon receipt of this notice.

We look forward to seeing you in Chicago on March 9-10, 1985.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

by:
Jim Yarborough
Vice-Chairman

by:
Donald L. Kimball
Secretary

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PROXY FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING

OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE POPULIST PARTY,

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS,

MARCH 9-10, 1985.

I, _____, a duly qualified member of the National Committee representing the State of _____, do hereby designate _____ whose Post Office address is _____.
(Address, City, State, Zip Code)

as my proxy, with full power to vote and act for me in every respect as a duly-qualified member of the National Committee of the Populist Party, meeting in Chicago, Illinois on the 9th and 10th days of March, 1985.

Executed this _____ day of _____, 1985 at _____

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(City & State)

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Member, National Committee, Populist Party

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YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE IMPORTANT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE POPULIST PARTY

IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

MARCH 9-10, 1985

Meeting Place:	Bismarck Hotel 171 West Randolph Street Chicago, Illinois 60601
Meeting Times:	Sessions begin at, 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9, and throughout the day. At 7:30 p.m., there will be a gala banquet. Principal speakers at the banquet will be honorable John R. Rarick of Louisiana, 1980 Presidential candidate of the American Independent Party, and Maureen Kennedy Salaman, 1984 Vice Presidential nominee of the Populist Party. The National Committee will reconvene at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10, and will continue its meeting until its business is completed.
Registration Fee:	Registration fee of $55 includes National Committee supporting membership ($15), ticket to the gala banquet, and entry to all meetings of the National Committee and its sub-committees.
Hotel Reservations:	You must make your own hotel reservations. Send in the registration card which accompanies this announcement, or call the Bismarck Hotel at 1-800-643-1500. If you make your reservations by

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January 28, 1985

To: All State Parties and Members of the National Committee

From: National Executive Committee

Subject: ASSESSMENTS

This letter will constitute notice that your State Party's assessments to the National Committee for the last four months of 1984 and the first four months of 1985 are now due. These assessements must be paid in order for your State Party representatives to vote in the National Committee meeting to be held in Chicago, Illinois on March 9-10, 1985.

Section II of the Populist Party's National Bylaws states:

"No State political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessements as established by the National Committee."

Article VII of the Bylaws provides that each member State party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of $20 every 4 months for each of the State Party's voting representatives in the National Committee.

Section II of the Bylaws sets forth the formula under which representation in the National Committee is determined.

Under this formula, California has 12 votes in the National Committee; thus its assessments, now due, total $480. Kansas has 4 votes in the National Committee; thus its assessments, now due, total $160. The States of Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin each have 3 votes in the National Committee, thus each of these States now has assessments due in the amount of $120.

All other state parties have 2 votes in the National Committee; thus each of these States now has assessments due in the amount of $80.

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The check for your State's assessments should be made payable to the Populist Party, and transmitted to:

Fred Seipold, Credentials Chairman
National Committee, Populist Party
P.O. Box 7173
Boise, Idaho 83707

These assessments must be paid before your States' representatives will be permitted to vote in the National Committee meeting. If you have questions with regard to your assessments, you may contact Mr. Seipold by telephone at 208-336-4335 (office) or 208-343-5049 (residence).

Thank you for your support of the National Committee.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

by: Jim Yarborough
Jim Yarborough
Vice-Chairman

by: Donald L. Kimball
Donald L. Kimball
Secretary

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POPULIST PARTY
BISMARCK HOTEL CHICAGO, ILL. NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING
Saturday, March 9, 1985

7:30 a.m.	Registration opens, Lobby
	YARBROUGH:
9:00	Invocation. Darlene Sartori
	Pledge of Allegiance. Col. Tom McCrary
	Appointment of Sargeants-at-Arms (Brayshaw, Egan)
9:15	Introduction of Dr. John Roche (Chmn., Taxpayers' Party)
	ROCHE. Welcome to Illinois
9:30	YARBROUGH. Introduce Keynote speaker, Wm. K. Shearer
	SHEARER. Keynote
10:10	YARBROUGH. Appointment of Committees
	Credentials Committee. Fred Seipold
	Nominations Committee. Ed Kaiser
	Resolutions Committee. Joe Birkenstock
	Platform Committee. Don Kimball
	Agriculture Committee. Bruce Rutan
10:25	YARBROUGH. Reports of area coordinators
	YARBROUGH (15 min.)
	SEIPOLD (10 min.)
	KIMBALL (15 min.)
11:00	National news conference, SHEARAR
	Farmers our guests. RUTAN
12:00 noon	Recess
	Committee meetings Credentials
	Nominations
	Resolutions
	Agriculture
2:30 p.m.	YARBROUGH. National Committee reconvenes
	Special presentation (Moment of silence for unborn)
2:35	YARBROUGH. Introduce John Couture
	COUTURE. Organization for Victory Plan. Six Tiers, Six Months.
3:05	YARBROUGH introduce Willis Carto.
	CARTO. Financial report.
3:25	YARBROUGH introduce Fred Seipold
	SEIPOLD.Report of Credentials Committee
3:35	YARBROUGH. Introduce Ed Kaiser
	KAISER. Report of Nominations Committee.
3:45	YARBROUGH. Election of officers.
4:05	YARBROUGH. Introduction of new chairman. Acceptence and response by new chairman.

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4:25 p.m. Recess

4:30-6:30 Platform Committee

7:00 Friendship hour

8:00 Banquet, Pavillion Room. New Chairman presiding.
Invocation
JOHN RARICK
MAUREEN SALAMAN

Sunday, March 10, 1985

8:00 a.m. WALNUT ROOM Prayer meeting.

9:00 National Committee reconvenes.
CHAIRMAN.
Pledge of Allegiance, GARY NUNES

9:05 DR. FLOYD PARKER, Medical Care for the Elderly

9:20 CHAIRMAN introduces party candidates for 1986

9:30 SHEARER. School of Politics. Panel discussion
A. State organization & structure
Organization for Victory Plan (SHEARER, YARBROUGH)
B. Fundraising (CARTO, SALAMAN,
C. News media (KIMBALL, N.SHEARER)
D. Ballot Qualification (SEIPOLD, YARBROUGH, E.SHEARER)
E. Candidates & Candidate selection (RARICK, W.SHEARER)
Issues & Issue selection

12:00 noon Agriculture Committee report RUTAN

12:20 Resolutions Committee Report BIRKENSTOCK

12:40 CHAIRMAN. Closing remarks

1:00 p.m. Benediction

1:15 State party caucuses

2:30 Executive Committee

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April, 1985

FRED SEIPOLD ELECTED POPULIST PARTY NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

Fred Seipold of Boise, Idaho, was elected national chairman of the Populist Party at the first meeting of the party's National Committee in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985.

Formally organized at a convention in Nashville, Tennessee in August, 1984, the Populist party then elected a temporary slate of officers to serve until the March 1985 meeting in Chicago when officers were elected for a full, four-year term.



Fred Seipold

Elected in Chicago to serve with Seipold were: Jim Yarbrough of Gainesville, Georgia, vice chairman; Donald L. Kimball of Fayette, Iowa, secretary; Faye Miller of Dauphin Island, Alabama, treasurer; and William K. Shearer of Lemon Grove, California, parliamentarian.

Yarbrough, Kimball, and Shearer were re-elected at Chicago, having been among the original officers selected at Nashville. Mrs. Miller, an accountant, succeeds her late husband, Emmett E. Miller, as treasurer. He was elected in Nashville, but died in January, during his term in office.

Seipold, an attorney in private practice in Boise, Idaho, has served as a member of the Populist Party's national executive committee and as Western States Coordinator since November, 1984. During the presidential campaign, he supervised the litigation portion of the party's ballot access effort, and was the attorney who won the case in the Ninth Circuit Court of appeal which placed the Populist Party on the Idaho ballot.

Born in San Francisco, Seipold was reared in the Pacific Northwest. He received a B.S. degree in English and an M.S. degree in Administration at the University of Idaho, followed by a law degree (Juris Doctor) at Gonzaga School of Law, Spokane, Washington.

Prior to attending law school, Seipold spent five years in education as a teacher, coach, and high school principal.

Now 38, Seipold has had a lifelong interest in populist politics. In 1968, he supported Governor George Wallace of Alabama for the presidency.



John Couture



Maureen Salaman



John R. Rarick

Seipold is married, and his wife, Doris is an active supporter of his political endeavors.

Named at Chicago to serve with the officers on the Populist national executive committee were John Couture of Hales Corner, Wisconsin, articulate, long-time populist activist; Maureen Kennedy Salaman of San Francisco, California, president of the National Health Federation and the Populist Party's 1984 Vice-Presidential nominee; and Rolland Victor of Wayne, Nebraska, who was named vice-chairman for agriculture.

Former Rep. John R. Rarick of Louisiana, and Eileen M. Shearer, chairman of the California American Independent Party, were elected by the executive committee to serve as ex-officio members.

Host for the National Committee meeting in Chicago was the Taxpayer's Party of Illinois, whose chairman, Dr. John Roche, welcomed the committee members at the opening session.

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Keynote speaker was William K. Shearer who devoted much of his address to the current plight of American agriculture. He was highly critical of President Reagan's veto of legislation providing debt relief for farmers.

"The Populist Party is strongly in favor of a moratorium on farm foreclosures," Shearer said, "and recognizes that government has the power to reduce interest rates for farm and other borrowers.

"In 1950," he said, "farm income was $19 billion, and farm debt only $12.5 billion. In 1983, in terms of constant dollars, farm income had fallen to $5.4 billion while farm debt had risen to over $216 billion.

"During the last four years, equity in agricultural land has fallen $150 billion. The number of farms is declining as family farmers are forced out, while the size of farms increases as giant corporations take over more and more of agriculture. Family farmers are now forced to make 62 percent of their income away from the farm," he said. "These trends must be reversed."

Shearer said that the Populist Party supports the principle of "full parity" for farmers, and that "the specific manner in which this policy is implemented should be recommended by the farmers themselves, not foisted on the farmers by the politicians."

On behalf of the Populist Party, Shearer invited representatives of all farm organizations to sit down with the party's leadership to inform us of the provisions farmers want in a parity bill. The Populist Party will then join in leading the fight for legislation which will really resolve the farm crisis on terms satisfactory to the farmers."

A number of working committees functioned at the National Committee meeting. These included credentials, chaired by Seipold; nominations, chaired by Dr. Edmon V. Kaiser of California; resolutions, chaired by Joseph Birkenstock, chairman of the Wisconsin Constitutional Party; and agriculture, chaired by farmers Rolland Victor of Nebraska and Bruce Rhutan of Michigan.

A committee to make recommendations on the platform was chaired by Kimball. The committee began the process of taking testimony on the various subjects included in, or to be considered for the 1988 platform.

Resolutions approved by the National Committee:

- Authorized the executive committee to establish a close working relationship with farm organizations in order to build the party and to promote the cause of America's farmers;

- Endorsed the pro-life position on abortion; and

- Affirmed the Populist Party's recognition of the Republic of South Africa as an anti-communist country with which the United States should maintain friendly economic and political ties.

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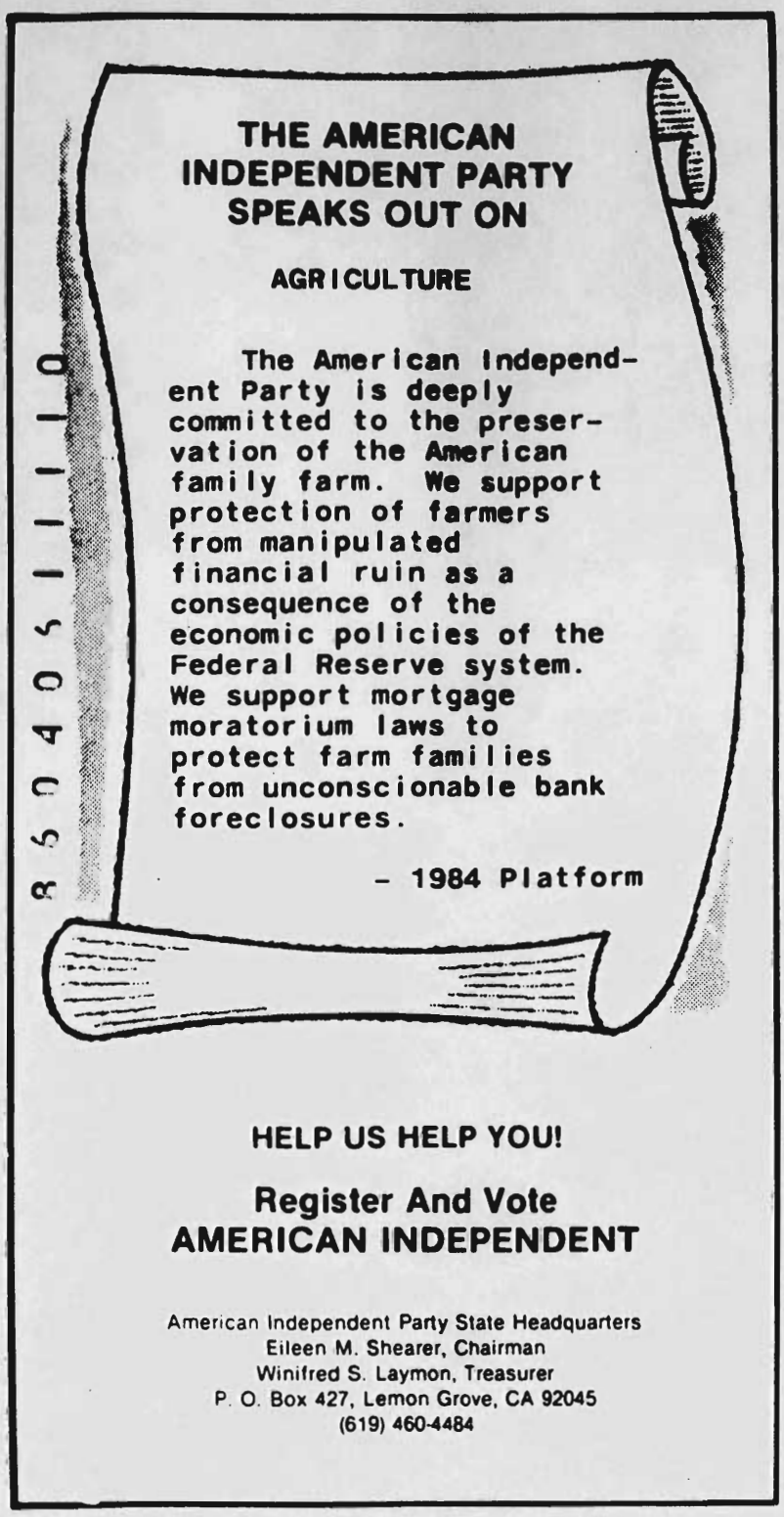
The National Committee adopted an organizational program prepared by Executive Committee member John Couture known as the "six-tier, six-month" plan. The plan describes in detail an organizing procedure whereby a state party can organize from the top to the precinct level in six months time. The National Committee intends to implement the plan in a number of states in 1985.

Saturday evening, March 9, following the National Committee business, a gala banquet was held at the Bismarck Hotel. Principal speakers were John R. Rarick and Maureen Salaman.

Both Rarick, the American Independent Party's 1980 presidential candidate, and Mrs. Salaman, the Populist Party's 1984 vice-presidential candidate, gave inspiring and enthusiastic speeches filled with optimism for the party's future.

On Sunday, March 10, the National Committee sponsored a series of panels on practical politics which included discussions of state organization, precinct work, fund raising, ballot access problems, and effective contact with the news media. Participating in the panels were Seipold, Yarbrough, Salaman, Willis A. Carto, Kimball, Eileen, Bill, and Nancy Shearer.

Following the National Committee meeting, the executive committee met, under Seipold's leadership, to deal with the party's finances, and make plans for the party's future. During the next 60 days, Seipold will make recommendations to the executive committee on establishment of a permanent national headquarters. Meanwhile, he, Yarbrough, and Kimball will continue to coordinate party activities in their respective areas of the country.



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WILLIS CARTO

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
William W Baker, Chairman
James Yarborough, Vice Chairman
Donald L Kimball, Secretary
Emmett E Miller, Treasurer
William K Shearer, Parliamentarian
Willis A Carto
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March 27, 1985

Mr. Fred Seipold, Chairman
Populist Party National Committee
373 West Fort Street
Boise, Idaho 83701

Dear Fred:

To assist in keeping an accurate record of the transactions of the Executive Committee, I am providing to you, and each member of the Executive Committee, this summary of the financial motions which I offered at the meeting on Sunday, March 10, 1985, and each of which was adopted by the Executive Committee. I have provided explanation of the motions where elaboration will be helpful.

1. Motion instructing the treasurer to pay the following attorneys: Steiner, $510.00; Longacre, $654.00; and Drake, $495.08.

These payments were previously authorized by the Executive Committee at the November, 1984 meeting, but the payments were not made at that time because of shortage of funds.

2. Motion to pay expense accounts of coordinators as follows: Seipold, $2,214.95; Yarbrough, a sum not to exceed $700.00; Kimball, a sum not to exceed $800.00. These were the amounts stated by the coordinators as due for past work, in accord with authorizations of the Executive Committee. Payments to be made promptly by the treasurer upon presentation of proper accounting by the coordinators.

3. Motion to pay all expenses in connection with the Chicago National Committee meeting, including the sum of $1,294.48 advanced by W. K. Shearer. Itemized statement was submitted to treasurer.

An additional $129.65 has since been submitted for payment, with approval by the chairman.

4. Motion to pay remaining bills from the Maureen Salaman Vice-Presidential Campaign as follows: Visa (W. K. Shearer card), $2,649.84, Maureen Salaman, $900.00.

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Itemized Visa bill presented to treasurer by Shearer. Maureen reported that she had submitted her bill to Washington, but did not keep copy. Apparently, the statement has been lost, so it is not possible to present itemized receipts for the $900.00.

5. Motion to pay trade payable bills submitted by W. A. Carto, in total sum of $27,684.86, on a payment schedule to be worked out between the Chairman, Treasurer, and Willis.

The total was arrived at by adding six sets of receipts and/or bills in the folder presented by Carto as follows: (a) $709.00; (b) 3,744.21 (c) $1,042.55; (d) $716.55; (e) $3,330.05; and (f) $18,142.50.

6. Motion that the Chairman, as legal counsel, be instructed to do such research as necessary to determine how the Committee's accounts should be structured and administered to meet all requirements of Federal and other applicable law; to report his findings in writing within 30 days; and that his findings be implemented without the necessity of further board action, to assure that the National Committee is functioning in conformity to the requirements of law.

7. Motion that the following salaries and expense accounts be approved for a period of 60 days commencing March 1, 1985: Seipold, salary $4,000.00 per month, expense account, $2,000.00 per month; Yarbrough, salary, $1,500.00 per month, expense account, $1,000.00 per month; Kimball, expense account, $1,000.00 per month. The same salaries and expense accounts to be continued for an additional 30 days if available funds permit.

8. Motion that the Chairman, as legal counsel, be instructed to draft and secure signatures of necessary parties on legal documents releasing all members of the Executive Committee (past and present) from individual liability on the indebtedness of the Populist Party to Liberty Lobby, the Cordite Corporation, etc., which was, by vote of the Executive Committee in November, 1984, made a condition precedent to the assumption of said debt.

9. Motion that the Chairman be instructed to present recommendations for the location of the national office of the Committee, and a proposed budget for the operation of the National Committee for the remainder of 1985; said recommendations to be presented in writing within 60 days.

Trusting that this will be helpful, I remain

Sincerely yours,

William K. Shearer
Parliamentarian

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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

(see reverse side for instructions)

1 (a) Name of Committee (in Full) — (b) Check if name or address is changed — 2 Date

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(b) Address (Number and Street) — 3 FEC Identification Number

130 Third St., S.E.

(c) City, State and ZIP Code — 4 Is this an amended Statement? YES X NO

Washington, D.C. 20003

5 TYPE OF COMMITTEE (check one)

(a) This committee is a principal campaign committee (Complete the candidate information below.)

(b) This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate — Candidate Party Affiliation — Office Sought — State (if any)

(c) This committee supports (opposes) only one candidate _____ and is NOT an authorized committee
(name of candidate)

X (d) This committee is a national committee of the POPULIST Party,
(National, State or subordinate) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)

(e) This committee is a separate segregated fund

(f) This committee supports (opposes) more than one Federal candidate and is NOT a separate segregated fund nor a party committee

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Name of Any Connected Organization or Affiliated Committee	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Relationship
NONE		

If the registering political committee has identified a "connected organization" above, please indicate type of organization

Corporation — Corporation w/o Capital Stock — Labor Organization — Membership Organization — Trade Association — Cooperative

7 Custodian of Records (Identify by name, address (phone number - optional) and position the person in possession of the committee books and records)

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
William H. Baker	Box 11134, Las Vegas, Nev. 89111	Natl. Chairman

8 Treasurer (List the name and address (phone number - optional) of the treasurer of the committee. If any other individual is authorized to sign checks, specify his or her name and address)

Full Name	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Title or Position
Mark Randall	6903 Nesbitt Pl., McLean, Va. 22101	Treasurer

9 Banks or Other Depositories (List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds. Funds also may be held in, transferred to, and withdrawn from certain depositories by an agent or agents not listed here. Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.	Mailing Address and ZIP Code
National Capital Bank	316 Pennsylvania Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003

10 I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Mark Randall — [signature] — 4-21-84

Type or Print Name of Treasurer — SIGNATURE OF TREASURER — Date

NOTE: Any change in the information previously submitted must be reported within 10 days.

For further information contact: [illegible]

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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December 13, 1984

Clara Sandahl, Treasurer
Populist Party
130 Third Street, S.E.
Washington, DC 20003

Identification Number: C00186726

Reference: October Quarterly (7/1/84-9/30/84) and 12 Day Pre-General (10/1/84-10/17/84) Reports

Dear Ms. Sandahl:

This letter is to inform you that as of December 12, 1984, the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated November 21, 1984. Those notices requested information essential to full public disclosure of your Federal election financial activity and to ensure compliance with provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act). Copies of our original requests are enclosed.

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Paul Kolesa on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 523-4048.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on September 29, 1985 at 6:30 pm Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members, John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, Willis Carto and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Couture requested that Miss Shearer give a report on the new office.

Miss Shearer reported that she had found an office in San Diego for $264.00 on a month to month basis and had retained it. She said she rented a post office box for $53.44 which was paid for thru January 1, 1986 and that she had a phone installed with a $100.00 deposit which went toward the first month's bill. The new office address 3435 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 318, San Diego, CA 92108; the new mailing address 6065 Mission Gorge Road, Box 211, San Diego, CA 92120 and the new phone number is (619) 282-5614. She further reported that she had returned to Phoenix and was released from the lease on her apartment, had the party mail forwarded to the new mailing address, and made sure that the Populist Party was not being held responsible for a lease on a Phoenix office.

Mrs. Miller reported that there is approximately a $1,200.00 balance in the party account in Alabama.

Mr. Carto reported that the Washington account had been drained to pay an outstanding Printers II bill of $3,981.64. He asked that Mrs. Miller return the invoice for that bill to him to avoid double payment.

Maureen Salaman was added to the conference call at this time.

Mr. Shearer made a motion that:

1) There are to be no more expenditures on obligations incurred, and no new bills are to be incurred without specific authorization of the executive committee;

2) All Populist Party mail and or contributions are to be forwarded to the new San Diego administrative office for processing; and

3) All funds or checks of any kind are to be forwarded to Mrs. Miller, the National Treasurer, in Alabama, for deposit only in the Populist Party account there.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion.

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Befor a vote could be taken Mr. Kimball moved to table the above motion until fund raising could be discussed. Mr. Carto seconded the motion and the vote was 4 to 4 with Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Pope, and Mr. Carto voting for the motion, and Mr. Shearer, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Victor, and Mr. Couture voting against it.

Mr. Shearers original motion was then discussed and approved by a vote of 6 to 0 with Mr. Pope, Mr. Victor, Mr. Shearer, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Salaman and Mr. Couture for the motion, and Mr. Carto and Mr. Kimball abstaining.

The next matter to be discussed was fund raising. Mr. Couture said that he thought the proposed 20K mailing concerning membership dues, should take a very positive stand and that he as chairman wouls sign it. All agreed to this approach.

Mr. Couture then asked about the billing of the state assesments. Miss Shearer said she had it on her calendar of things to do as soon as the new letterhead was ready. She also said she was getting a bulk mailing permit for the party.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Carto a question about Mr. Kimball's books, but Mr. Carto had left the conference call.

Mr. Kimball went on to address the committee about his book offer in which he would sell copies of his book to the Populist Party for $4.00 each including postage and handling, and that the party could give his book to every $25.00 contributor.

Mr. Couture made a motion to proceed with Mr. Kimball's book offer one month after the membership fundraiser is out. The motion was seconded by Mr. Victor and was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Couture reported that he had mailed a letter to the New York Times requesting a retraction of its attack on the party and that he had sent copies to the statewide leadership. He further reported that he would be sending a letter to the state leaders asking for information on their goals and timetables for state organizational plans. Mr. Couture also gave a brief description of the Video plan he had been working on, to follow the six month six tier plan or whatever plan was implimented in a particular state.

Mr. Kimball brought up the financial dificulties of Van Loman's campaign in Ohio and asked for input as to what could be done.

Mr. Shearer said that under the circumstances the party could not afford to spend any money, but that committee members who wanted to help out Mr. Loman's campaign should either donate or raise $100.00 to send to Mr. Loman's campaign committee.

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Mr. Kimball said it should be sent ot the Loman for Council Campaign Committee, Box 5112, Cincinatti, Ohio 45205, Attn: Harry Bertram, Jr., Treasurer.

Miss Shearer reported that she really needed some assistance in the office, and offered as a solution the hiring of a secretary for 25 hours a week at $6.00 an hour for a total of $150.00 a week.

Mrs. Salaman moved that Nancy Shearer be allowed to get office help for a maximum of 25 hours at $6.00 an hour for a total of $150.00 a week. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Kimball made a motion for the committee to meet again by conference call on October 20, 1985 at 6:30 pm Pacific time. Mrs. Salaman seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

The meeting was then adjourned by Mr. Couture.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer
National Administrator

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on October 20, 1985 at 6:30 pm Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members, John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

It was moved by Jerry Pope that dues notices be sent out to the approximately 22 thousand members on the list from Washington, and that the money for this mailing, approximately $8,000.00, be borrowed from William K. Shearer A.P.C. to be paid back to William K. Shearer A.P.C. out of the first available funds from the return on the mailing at 10% interest. The motion was seconded by Faye Miller and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Faye Miller that an IBM PC computer be rented from William K. Shearer A.P.C. at $100.00 a month starting October 1, 1985. Don Kimballl seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

William Shearer moved that the party pay $1,180.00 rent on the copy machine used in Arizona which includes a $130.00 repair bill on that machine in return for a complete release from any further obligation to David Sasser and the lessor of the equipment, and further that the amount paid be offset against anything further owed to Fred Seipold. The motion was seconded by Faye Miller and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Willim Shearer that the chairman direct a letter to Willis Carto asking him to pay the Populist Party the approximately $500.00 still due on the rental of the Populist Party mailing list used by the Spotlight for its July fundraiser and that the $1,000.00 already paid to Fred Seipold for that rental be offset against anything found to be owing to Fred Seipold. The motion was seconded by Faye Miller and carried unanimously.

At this time Maureen Salaman was added to the conference call.

William Shearer moved that the treasurer direct a letter to Willis Carto requesting a complete accounting of the Washington DC account including statements of deposits and canceled checks. Also the treasurer was to direct a letter to Printers II asking for copies of the work done by Printers II to back up invoices already received from them. Rolland Victor seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There was some discussion of Van Loman's campaign in Ohio. It appeared that he was in need of financial backing. Due to the fact that the Populist Party did not have funds available to help his campaign at this time the committee members decided to try to send $100.00 each for his campaign or to raise the money

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to send him if they did not themselves have funds available at the time.

Faye Miller made a motion to send a direct representative to Atlanta, Georgia to represent the party in the matter of securing improved ballot access in that state. Don Kimball seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Don Kimball moved to adjourn the conference call meeting and the motion was seconded by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer, National Administrator

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on January 18, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, Richard Weimer, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Kimball asked for unanimous consent to change his vote at the previous meeting on adding Mr. Weimer to the executive committee from "no" to "yes".

Mr. Shearer objected to going back in the records and changing votes, but said Mr. Kimball's statement should be added to the record of this meeting.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That a demand be made upon the corporation officers of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia corporation, to do the following:

(1) The corporation chartered in the state of Virginia and known as Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia; or, in lieu of the charter being returned that the corporation change it's name, purpose and intent so as differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States, and make this differentiation clear to the public.

(2) That all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and

(3) That any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease; along with any other reference to Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs Miller moved that:

Based upon the information available to the executive committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships stating that the

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Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or 2nd or 3rd party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party of the United States or its representative.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Shearer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the executive committee support Mrs. Miller in her position that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp. or The Spotlight.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That any and all solicitation of funds, sales of merchandise, or use of logo by any entity without express approval of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States cease immediately and that Graphic Productions be required to account for its unauthorized promotional activities, secure authorization from the Executive Committee, share revenues with the committee, and regularly account for the income from its sales of party materials.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Pope moved that any state party that tells its people not to contribute to the national be removed, and new officers installed with implementation of the motion to be handled by the chairman.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the treasurer make a demand for the $1,500.00 owed to the Populist Party by the Spotlight for use of the mailing list, all money collected by the Populist Party, Inc. since September 29, 1985, and any balance presently in the Populist Party, Inc. account.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Weimer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the party take all steps necessary to see that the Populist Party mailing list is not used by any one but the Populist Party without consent of the executive committee.

Mrs. Miller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Shearer moved that $2,500.00 be alloted for the printing of new literature.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that Mr. Couture be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred for travel while doing Populist Party work, and that Miss Shearer be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred on trips to Oregon and Colorado to organize state parties there, under the supervision of the chairman.

Mr. Kimball seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Kimball moved that Mr. Victor be allotted $500.00 for travel on Populist Party business, to be accounted for to Mrs. Miller.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The possible employment of Howard Carson was discussed, but no motion was offered and the matter was dropped.

The meeting was adjourned with the option of another meeting left to call of the chairman if needed before the National Committee meeting on March 1st and 2nd in Los Angeles, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer, National Administrator

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January 10, 1986

To: All State Parties and Members of the National Committee

From: National Executive Committee

Subject: CALL OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 1-2, 1986 IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

This letter will serve as your official notice of the National Committee Meeting of the Populist Party to be held Saturday and Sunday, March 1-2, 1986, in Los Angeles, California. You, and all supporting members of the Populist Party, are cordially invited to attend.

All sessions of the National Committee Meeting will be held at the Los Angeles Airport Hilton, 5711 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, 90045-5631. Each party member is responsible for making his or her own room reservation and a handy registration card is enclosed for this purpose. Room rates are: $55 for single or double rooms. Room reservations may also be made by calling the Los Angeles Airport Hilton at (213) 410-4000. If your reservation is made by telephone, be sure to inform the hotel that you are with the Populist Party, so that you will qualify for the special room rate quoted above.

Transportation to the hotel from Los Angeles International Airport is available via the Hilton Hotel Shuttle at no charge.

For your further convenience, full travel arrangements, including hotel and airline reservations can be made at no charge by calling Taylor Travel at (619) 268-4106. Ask for Clay Taylor and be sure to let him know you are with the Populist Party. The earlier you make your reservation the better the fare you can obtain.

Individual registration fee for the meeting will be $50, payable to the Populist Party. This fee includes admission to all of the meetings of the National Committee and its sub-committees and your ticket to the Festive Saturday Evening Banquet.

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This registration fee along with the enclosed registration form should be sent in the enclosed return envelope to:

Populist Party Administrative Office
6065 Mission Gorge Road, Box 211
San Diego, CA 92120

For further information about meeting arrangements, you are invited to contact Nancy Shearer or Donna Layton at (619) 282-5614.

The Los Angeles gatthering will be the second meeting of the National Committee since the party was formally organized at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee in August, 1984.

Principal Business of the meeting will be consideration of the patry's participation in the 1986 elections in the various States, and continued developement of the Populist Party at the national level.

Featured speaker at the National Committee's Festive Saturday Evening Banquet will be:

- Maureen Kennedy Salaman, the Populist Party's dynamic 1984 Vice-Presidential nominee. Mrs. Salaman, one of the Nation's outstanding speakers, is President of the National Health Federation, is the star of several radio and television talk shows, is a nationally recognized author of books on nutrition and freedom of choice in health care, and is the American Independent Party/Populist Party candidate for Governor of California in the upcomming state election.

Voting representation at the National Committee meeting will be in accord with the formula for such representation set forth in the Party's National Bylaws. Section II of the bylaws states in pertinent part:

"Membership in the Populist Party is limited to one political party organization recognized by the National Committee from each State, the District of Columbia, and any other areas specified by the National Committee.

"Representation on the National Committee shall be determined as follows:

(1) When a member state political party is qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, the state party is entitled to three representatives plus one additional representative for each five electoral votes of the subject State or major faction thereof.

(2) When a member state political party was qualified in the most recent general election to place statewide candidates or

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presidential electors on the ballot, but is not so qualified in the next general election ballot, the state organization is entitled to three representatives.

(3) When a member political organization is not qualified to place statewide candidates or presidential electors on the next general election ballot in the state, and was not so qualified in the immediately preceding general election, the state organization is entitled to two representatives.

Under this formula the States will be entitled to the following number of votes in the National Committee meeting: California, 12; Kansas, 4; Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, 3 each; all other states and the District of Columbia, 2 each.

The bylaws further provide that:

"No State political organization shall be a member of the National Committee unless it pays its assessments as established by the National Committee."

Section VII of the Bylaws provides that each member State party shall pay to the National Committee an assessment of $20 every four months for each voting representative to the National Committee. Two such payments will be due at the National Committee meeting in March (one for the August-December 1985 period, and one for the January-April 1986 period). Thus, in order to vote in the meeting, a State with two voting representatives will be required to pay an assessmant of $80; a State with three voting representatives will be required to pay $120; a State with four voting representatives will be required to pay $160; and a state with 12 voting representatives will be required to pay $480. These assessments are in addition to the meeting's registration fee. The National Committee will strictly enforce the rule requiring state parties to be current in their assessments to the National Committee as a condition to voting in the Los Angeles meeting.

Under the Bylaws of the Populist Party, proxy voting in the National Committee is permitted. A proxy form, for your use, is included with this official notice of the National Committee meeting. The Bylaws state that:

"A representative may vote by proxy but no person may cast more than one vote."

This provision insures maximum individual participation in the National Committee meeting and precludes any individual from attempting to control a meeting through accumulating numerous proxies made out to a single individual.

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The importance of the Los Angeles meeting cannot be overemphasized. Your participation at this national meeting is of the utmost importance to you, your state party, and your country.

Please mail your registration immediately upon receipt of this notice.

We look forward to seeing you in Los Angeles on March 1-2, 1986, and to important Populist victories in the 1986 election.

Sincerely,

John M. Couture

John M. Couture, Chairman

MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

(1) Yes, I plan to attend the Los Angeles meeting of the Populist Party National Committee.

Enclosed find $_____for_____registrations at $50 per registration.

(2) I will be unable to attend the Los Angeles meeting, but I want to contribute toward the outstanding party building work of the National Committee.

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WILLIAMS KEYNOTES POPULIST NATIONAL COMMITEE MEETING

Lindsey Williams, popular author and minister, was the keynote speaker at the 1986 annual meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party, held in Los Angeles, California, on March 1-2.

Williams received an enthusiastic response from the Committee members as he denounced the Federal Reserve system, and exposed the untruths connected with the so-called "energy crisis."



Lindsey Williams

Williams is the author of two books, "The Energy Non-Crisis," and "To Seduce a Nation." A dynamic speaker, he is a strong supporter of the Populist Party and its crusade to restore representative government in America.

In 1974, Williams became Chaplain on the Trans-Alaska oil pipeline. As a result of his executive status with the nine major oil companies, he became privy to first-hand knowledge of the phony nature of the so-called energy crisis.

Principal business before the National Committee was a review of the past year's progress, and reports on various actions taken by the officers and Executive Committee. During 1985, the Populist Party went through a number of crises, including a necessary change in national chairman, but came through the problems with strong new leadership in Chairman John Couture, an efficient national office, reform of party finances to prevent abuses, and a favorable bank balance which enables the party to go forward with optimism in 1986.

At the Los Angeles meeting, the National Committee unanimously adopted the following motion offered by State Chairman Richard Weimer of Indiana:

> "Be it resolved that the National Committee of the Populist Party...having reviewed the conduct of the party's business for the past year:

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"1. Commends national Chairman John Couture for the outstanding leadership he has provided to the Populist Party during his term as chairman, and rejects the contention of any contrary claimant to the chairmanship as unsupported in law or fact;

"2. Commends national Treasurer Faye Miller and the national Executive Committee for all actions they have taken to assure lawful and fiscally-responsible management of the Populist Party's finances; ratifies the actions of the Treasurer and the Executive Committee, taken during the 1985-86 term, with regard to party finances; and instructs the Treasurer and Executive Committee to continue the policies expressed in the fiscal motions already adopted by the Executive Committee;

"3. Commends National Administrator Nancy Shearer for her capable and efficient administration of the Populist Party's national administrative office."

Responding to concerns expressed by party members that the Populist Party does not have an adopted national platform, Chairman Couture appointed a committee, headed by Wisconsin State Chairman Joseph Birkenstock, to gather proposals for a membership-approved platform.

With regard to the so-called platform document in circulation, the National Committee unanimously adopted the following statement, upon recommendation of Birkenstock's committee:

"The document which has been circulated as the 1984 platform of the Populist Party of the United States has never been adopted by any representative body of the party and is not, in fact, the party platform.

"While it contains many statements which are in conformity with the philosophy of the members, it also contains some statements which many members find unacceptable.

"The document has the status of only a submission by its authors of a recommended platform, and will be considered in due course along with all other submissions for action by the party through its representative bodies."

In order to assure full participation in Executive Committee meetings, the National Committee unanimously adopted a standing rule, recommended by

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the Rules Committee, which states:

> "Any member of the National Executive Committee who has three consecutive unexcused absences from meetings of the Executive Committee shall be deemed to have resigned from the National Executive Committee."

Six committees functioned at the National Committee meeting: Credentials, chaired by Faye Miller of Alabama; Rules, chaired by Richard Weimer of Indiana; Platform, chaired by Joseph Birkenstock of Wisconsin; Resolutions, chaired by Dr. Edmon V. Kaiser of California; Agriculture, chaired by Don Kimball of Iowa; and Campaign, chaired by Kile Daylong, state chairman of the Utah Populist Party.

The resolutions committee reported five resolutions which were adopted by the National Committee. The resolutions:

1. Endorse H.R. 2320, introduced in the House of Representatives, which provides for a reasonable uniform national procedure by which new political parties may qualify for the ballot in the several states, and urge the prompt enactment of this legislation by the Congress.

2. Express opposition to cities, counties, or states providing sanctuary to illegal aliens in violation of Federal immigration laws.

3. Support the right of the states to set their own highway speed limits.

4. Encourage state organizations of the Populist Party to establish telephone information numbers, and print such numbers on party literature.

5. Call on the National Committee to provide each state chairman a list of all state chairmen of the Populist Party, with their addresses, and telephone numbers.

At the opening session of the National Committee, members were welcomed by Eileen M. Shearer, chairman of California's American Independent Party. The American Independent Party is the official California affiliate of the National Populist Party.

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During the course of the meeting, candidates of the state parties for the 1986 election were introduced including California's full slate for statewide partisan office. The California candidates include: Gary Miller of Los Angeles County for Governor; Jim Griffin of Riverside County for Lt. Governor; Ed Vallen of San Bernardino County for U.S. Senator; Gary Odom of Los Angeles County for Attorney General; Theresa Dietrich of Contra Costa County for Secretary of State; Nicholas W. Kudrovzeff of San Mateo County for Controller; and Merton Short of Butte County for Treasurer.

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Speakers at the National Committee meeting included Populist Party Vice-Chairman Maureen Salaman, who described the battle for "health freedom" now going on in Congress and the state legislatures, and Betty McConkey, state chairwoman of the Populist Party of Iowa, who described the lawsuit the Iowa party has initiated against KWWL-TV in Waterloo, Iowa, in response to the station's defamatory attack on the party, entitled "Harvesting Fear."

McConkey said that individuals in left-wing organizations find left-wing individuals in the media who collaborate to smear conservative individuals and organizations. This is exactly what happened, she said, to the Populist Party of Iowa, "the fastest growing conservative third party organization in the state."

McConkey said the unjust attacks on the Populist Party were a result of the party's suit against the Federal Reserve Board on behalf of the party's farm members.

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"The supreme issue . . . is the encroachment of the powerful few upon the rights of the many. This mighty power has come between the people and their government."
- Sen. Robert La Follette

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on March 8, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

On line for the conference call were executive committee members, John Couture, Maureen Salaman, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Richard Weimer, Jerry Pope, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Shearer made a motion that Mr. Couture was to write Mr. Carto and inform him that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party does not consider an audit of accounts maintained in Washington DC in the name of the Populist Party necessary if:

1. Other demands previously made are complied with;

2. Any claim of indebtedness by the Populist Party to The Populist Party, Inc., Cordite Fidelity Corporation, The Spotlight, and Liberty Lobby is abandoned; and

3. The Corporate entity which created the Washington DC accounts, reports and accounts to the Federal Elections Commission for all transactions out of said accounts from start to finish.

If these conditions; are not met an audit by an independent accounting firm,selected by the Executive Committee, will be required, with the expense to be borne by those who established the accounts in Washington DC.

Mr. Weimer seconded the motion.

Mrs. Salaman offered an amendment to the motion to include in the letter to Mr. Carto an apology for any derogatory statements made by any member of the executive committee about Mr. Carto.

Mr. Pope seconded the amendment.

The vote on the amendment was as follows:

Voting yes: Mr. Pope and Mrs. Salaman. Voting no: Mr. Kimball, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture. Mrs. Miller abstained from voting.

The vote on the original motion was as follows:

Voting yes were Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture. Voting no was Mr. Pope. Mrs. Miller abstained from voting.

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Mr. Shearer asked that Mr. Couture send a letter to Mr. Peter Polkowitz of Graphic Productions informing him that the promotional items he had been selling were not authorized by the executive committee and that he is to submit to the executive committee an accounting of his transactions so far, and if he wants to continue his business he must enter into an agreement with the executive committee.

Mr. Shearer said there were some minutes missing from the record, these being the Chicago National Committee meeting of March 1985; the Los Angeles meeting of March 1986, the telephonic meeting of July 21, 1985 and the Phoenix meeting of June, 1985.

Mr. Kimball said he had the minutes from Phoenix, meeting of June 1985 and the July 21, 1985 meeting, and that he would send them out directly.

Miss Shearer said she would transcribe the Chicago, March 1985 National Committee meeting and the Los Angeles, March 1986 meetings as soon as possible and send them out.

Mr. Shearer went on to report that the Sartore law suit in Indiana had been dismissed in full. He also reported that he was in receipt of the fully executed release on the Idaho equipment matter. Mr. Shearer said he had the computer lease agreement ready for signature and that he would send copies to John Couture and Faye Miller for their approval.

Mr. Shearer moved that all minutes submitted to date be approved. Mr. Weimer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mrs. Salaman moved that Miss Shearer's salary be raised from $400.00 a week to $500.00 a week and Mrs. Layton's salary be raised from $6.00 an hour to $8.00 an hour.

Mr. Weimer seconded the motion.

After some discussion Mrs. Salaman revised her motion to state that Miss Shearer's salary be reviewed in 45 days but that Mrs. Layton's salary be raised from $6.00 an hour to $8.00 an hour commencing with the March 16 - 22, 1986 pay period.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion.

Mr. Kimball offered an amendment to the motion that Mrs. Layton's pay be raised to only $7.00 an hour.

Mrs. Miller seconded the amendment.

The vote on the amendment was as follows:

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Voting yes: Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Miller and Mr. Pope. Voting no: Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Shearer, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Voting yes: Mr. Kimball, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Pope, Mrs. Salaman, Mr. Weimer and Mr. Couture. Mr. Shearer abstained from voting.

Mrs. Salaman asked that Miss Shearer and Mrs. Layton each prepare a job description for the board's review before the next executive committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned with the next meeting to be held on Saturday April 5, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer
National Administrator

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
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March 17, 1986

John Couture
13131 W. Janesville Rd.
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Dear John:

As you are aware, many party members, as well as people who have picked up some party literature or seen a bumper sticker, continue to write in to this address. Many of them wish to pay their dues, others purchase literature, make contributions, ask questions or offer their services.

Due to the present disarray on the executive committee, and the extremely uncertain future of the party as a unified movement, I have asked our staff to resume servicing these inquiries and orders.

It has always been my personal aim, throughout some 30 years of public service, to see that people who support a movement in good faith receive that same commodity back.

A full record will be kept, as always, of action taken in each individual instance.

Sincerely,

Willis A. Carto
Member, Executive Committee

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March 31, 1986

Mr. Willis A. Carto
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington D.C. 20003

Dear Willis,

I am writing to you, in accord with the wishes of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party, to officially inform you of the actions taken by the Committee with regard to the issues wherein you are at odds with the majority of the members of the Executive Committee, and to seek your compliance with the Committee's mandates. I also hope that this letter will help to resolve, rather than enlarge, the existing problems.

Before going into the position of the Executive Committee, let me say on a personal basis that I am deeply disappointed that you have attacked the Populist Party, and its Executive Committee, charging that we are in "disarray", and have failed to provide leadership, when, in fact, during my six month tenure as chairman, we have made great strides in developing the party. Among the accomplishments of my term, thus far, are the following:

1. When I became chairman, the party had only a little over $1,000.00 in the bank. We now have almost $50,000.00 in the bank, are operating in the black, and have fully met all of our obligations to legitimate creditors.

2. We have established a full time, completely functioning, totally responsible national administrative office. This office functions at minimum cost with one full time administrator and one assistant. It has an appropriate computer, copier, typewriters, and all other necessary, modern operating equipment, and is providing an increasing number of services to the party.

3. My law and business offices in Wisconsin serve as the national office of the party. My office is open from 9:00 AM till usually 6:30 PM (and frequently from 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM) six days per week and often on Sunday afternoons and

evenings. My personal services, my office, secretary, and supporting services cost the party absolutely nothing, except the cost of mailings, and party telephone calls. Unlike the previous chairmen, I have served without pay. Yet, frankly, I believe I have accomplished more for the party in six months than did the previous chairmen during their terms.

4. Ten days after taking office, in a lengthy letter to the New York Times and Milwaukee Journal, I served notice on those who had attacked the Populist Party that the party would not supinely accept any further libels. I received a conciliatory response from the New York Times, and the Milwaukee Journal printed a special editorial letter which extolled the merits of the Populist Party and decried the libelous article complained of. I am not aware of any further libels by the New York Times News Service or the Milwaukee Journal. My letter to these papers was mailed to every state leader of the Populist Party with a cover letter, requesting that each leader direct a copy of my letter to the New York Times to any publication in his or her state which libels the Populist Party.

5. Organization is now going on in the field, and new state organizations are being formed and officially recognized. I have attempted to restore unity to the party. In November, 1986, after numerous phone conferences with Jim Yarbrough, I mailed an "open letter" of reconciliation to Jim, with copies to state leaders, in a beginning effort to heal the wounds resulting essentially from Jim's clashes with former chairman Fred Seipold. My efforts on behalf of unity and reconciliation are continuing.

6. During my administration, for the first time, a comprehensive dues notice mailing, together with membership cards, went out to every recorded member of the Populist Party. This has resulted in strong support in terms both of finances and organization.

7. On March 1-2, 1986, I presided over the annual meeting of the National Committee, which was well attended, and at which the members of the National Committee unanimously confirmed my chairmanship, ratified the acts taken by the Executive Committee during the past year, and commended the efficient functioning of our national administrative office.

8. On November 9, 1985, I participated in conducting a successful Western Regional Conference of the Populist Party.

9. On November 20, 1985 I wrote, printed, and mailed to all state party leaders an 18 page detailed memorandum outlining the organizational programs, and fundamental growth policies of the Populist Party. This was intended, as a "how to do it" manual for the (a) structural organization, and (b) full fleshing out of

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every state party. These specified tried and true techniques, if followed, will result in very rapid party growth, and which, if followed, will make swift victory inevitable.

10. On January 6, 1986, I completed a suggested, complete, and detailed model constitution for state parties, and mailed copies of the same to all state party leaders. This will provide guidance and direction for the conduct of state party affairs.

11. The National Committee, under my direction, has prepared new post-election literature for the party, and we are continuing to expand the availability of party building materials.

This does not constitute an exhaustive list of the party's accomplishments during my term to date, but will certainly suffice to show the tremendous progress being made, and that neither the Populist Party, nor its national leadership are in a state of "disarray". I am disappointed that you, although you are a member of the Executive Committee, have refused to participate in the recent telephonic meetings of the Executive Committee. Also, knowing that your stewardship was in question, I am surprised that you did not attend the National Committee meeting, this month, in order to answer questions from members of the National Committee, or, at least, to explain your position on the matters in controversy.

For over a year, the Executive Committee has sought to conform our fiscal affairs to the requirements of the party's membership adopted bylaws, and Federal election laws. At the Executive Committee meeting on March 10, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion directing the then chairman, Fred Seipold, as legal counsel, to do such research as was necessary to determine , how the Committee's accounts should be structured and administered to meet all requirements of Federal and other applicable law; to report his findings in writing within 30 days; and implement these findings without the necessity of further Board action to assure that the National Committee was functioning in conformity to the requirements of law.

The intent of the motion, of course, was to bring all of the bank accounts being operated in the name of the Populist Party under the direct control of the elected treasurer. In spite of the Executive Committee's clear intent, you continued to operate the account or accounts which you had established, using the Populist name, as separate and independent from the official account established by the elected treasurer.

The Executive Committee again considered this problem at the telephonic meeting of September 29, 1985, at which time a motion was adopted that there be no more expenditures on obligations incurred, and no new bills incurred without specific

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authorization of the Executive Committee; that all Populist Party mail and or contributions are to be forwarded to the San Diego administrative office for processing; and that all funds or checks of any kind are to be forwarded to the national treasurer, Mrs. Faye Miller, for deposit only in the Populist Party account which she administers.

Although, you were present for the part of the conference call during which this motion was adopted (the record reflects that you abstained from voting on the motion, which was approved 6 to 0), you did not comply with this policy of the Executive Committee, as is confirmed by your recent letter to me, in which you state that you are continuing to collect funds and operate a quote "Populist" bank account independent of the National Committee and the elected treasurer.

On October 20, 1985, in a telephonic meeting of the Executive Committee, a motion was adopted by vote of 6 to 0 that the treasurer direct a letter to you requesting a full accounting of the Washington D.C. account, including statements of deposits and cancelled checks. This material has never been made available by you to the national treasurer.

Finally, having failed to receive your cooperation, on January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a series of motions, on the accounting problems which your continued operation of one or more "Populist" bank accounts in Washington has generated. Specifically, in order to avoid any confusion among contributors, the Executive Committee now requires of you:

1. That the corporation chartered in the State of Virginia and known as Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia, or, in lieu of the charter being returned, that the corporation change it's name, purpose and intent so as to differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States;

2. That all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and

3. That any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease; along with any other reference to Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

At the January 18, 1986, meeting, the Executive Committee also unanimously approved a motion that " the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. The Executive

Committee, therefore, directs that you and these entities abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party duly executed documents, signed by the officers of such entities stating that the Populist Party is not indebted to them, or to second or third party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. The motion stated that these acknowledgements must be received by February 10, 1986, and that if the acknowledgements were not forthcoming by said date, the Executive Committee formally demands that all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party, by any of the described entities, be submitted to a complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party or its representative.

The Executive Committee, by motion, further expressed support of the position taken by the treasurer, Faye Miller, that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission, or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. This letter will confirm that Mrs. Miller will make no such filings on behalf of these entities.

The Executive Committee has also authorized me to make a demand on you and The Spotlight for the $1,500.00 owed by The Spotlight to the Populist Party for use of the party's mailing list in 1985. In addition, the Executive Committee demands that you pay to the Populist Party all money collected by the Populist Party, Inc. since September 29, 1985, and any balance presently in the Populist Party, Inc. account.

Finally, the Executive Committee has unanimously adopted a motion requiring that any and all solicitation of funds, sales of merchandise, or use of logo by any entity without express approval of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party cease immediately. The conduct which caused this concern is that of Graphic Productions, which is operated by one of your employees. The motion directs Graphic Productions to account for its unauthorized promotional activities, secure authorization from the Executive Committee for any future activities, enter into a revenue sharing arrangement with the committee, and regularly account for the income from its sales of party materials.

On March 8, 1986, at the Executive Committee's most recent telephonic meeting, an additional motion was adopted with regard to the audit which was conditionally demanded on January 18, 1986. The Executive Committee is prepared to withdraw its request for an audit if you and the entities you control promptly comply with the balance of the above stated directives of the Executive Committee. If you are not willing to comply with these mandates, then the Executive Committee insists upon an audit of

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all bank accounts which you have established using the words "Populist Party" as all or part of the name of such account, with the audit to be conducted by an independent auditor, selected by the Executive Committee, and with the audit paid for by those who opened the accounts, and are thus the cause of the expenditure for the audit.

The Executive Committee believes that the actions we have taken are necessary in order to assure that the conduct of the party's fiscal affairs be in compliance with the bylaws, duly adopted by the membership at the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1984, and the requirements of the Federal election laws.

Your compliance with these reasonable requests would do the Populist Party a far better service than the sewing of confusion through attacks on the Populist Party and its Executive Committee, in the pages of "The Spotlight". I certainly do not have any desire to quarrel with you personally, and I believe this is the feeling of the vast majority of those on the Executive Committee. We have taken the steps set forth above only in an effort to assure that the financial affairs of the party are conducted lawfully. I hope you will overcome any hostility which you may feel, and comply with the expressed wishes of the Executive Committee in the interest of compliance with the law, and the wishes of the party's membership as expressed through the bylaws. At the recent meeting of the National Committee the members unanimously ratified the acts of the Executive Committee which I have described in this letter.

Very truly yours,

John M. Couture

John M. Couture
National Chairman

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Exhibit "V"

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Motion adopted by the National Executive Committee of the Populist Party, during telephonic meeting, Friday, April 18, 1986, 7:00 PM Pacific Time.

I move that Willis A. Carto be removed from the Executive Committee of the Populist Party for breach of fiduciary duty to the members of the party in that he has:

1. Refused to dissolve or change the name of a corporation which he operates, the name of which includes the words "Populist Party," creating confusion among contributors who believe they are contributing to the Populist Party, but whose contributions are placed in the account of the corporation.

2. Refused to turn over to the Treasurer of the Populist Party funds raised in the name of the party, after demand therefor.

3. Continued to operate a bank account in the name of his corporation into which he has wrongfully deposited funds contributed to the party, in spite of the demand that the account be closed.

4. Refused to account to the Executive Committee and Treasurer for funds collected in the name of the Populist Party.

5. Announced that he intends to continue to accept contributions in the name of the party, in spite of the demand of the Executive Committee that he cease to do so.

6. Co-mingled the funds of his business enterprises with contributions received in the name of the Populist Party.

7. Expended funds raised in the name of the Populist Party for non-party purposes.

8. Failed or refused to file necessary reports with the Federal Election Commission.

9. Failed or refused to submit to a full and complete audit of the accounts in which he has placed funds solicited in the name of the Populist Party.

10. Used the party mailing list for his own purposes without compensating the party for use of the list, as he had promised to do.

11. Falsely asserted that the Populist Party is in debt to business entities which he controls.

12. Actively discouraged persons from contributing to the National Populist Party.

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Exhibit "W"

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Motion adopted by the National Executive Committee of the Populist Party, during telephonic meeting, Friday, April 18, 1986, 7:00 PM Pacific Time.

I move that the Treasurer of the National Populist Party be instructed to initiate a complaint with the Federal Election Commission, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. Section 437g, requesting a complete investigation of the activities of Willis A. Carto, The Populist Party, Inc., and other entities which he controls, and which appear to be in violation of 2 U.S.C. Section 432 (a), (b) (1), and (3), 2 U.S.C. Section 434 (a) (1), and (4) (iv), or any other sections of the Federal election laws.

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Exhibit "X"

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April 23, 1986

Mr. Willis A. Carto
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
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Dear Willis:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 27, 1986, which was delivered to me by Charles Ulmschneider, after copies of the letter had been distributed by him to other persons at the meeting of the National Committee of the Populist Party, on March 1, 1986.

Because you have distributed your letter to others, I shall reply to it. I am certain from the tone and content of your letter, as well as its manner of distribution, that it was intended primarily to influence others, rather than as a personal communication to me. I can discern no interest in fact or truth in your letter, since you included therein at least 10 deliberate untruths, which you knew to be untrue when you wrote them. I shall make reply, however, so that you will be on notice with regard to further dissemination of these falsehoods.

Before addressing these matters, a few preliminary observations are in order.

1. You refer to the memoranda which I addressed to the Executive Committee as "your open letters to the Executive Committee". These communications were not open letters. They were mailed only to members of the Executive Committee, and pertained to matters pending before the Executive Committee. I had no reason to believe any member of the Executive Committee would breach the confidentiality, and, as far as I know, none did except for you. I did not discuss the letters with persons outside the Executive Committee until after distribution of your letter of February 27, 1986. As I said in my memorandum of January 14, 1986, to the Executive Committee:

"It is my hope that the problems discussed herein can be resolved within the confines of the Executive Committee. Of course, if any person chooses to make an issue of these matters in a different forum, I shall feel relieved of the obligation to withhold the contents of this memorandum from those with a proper interest in the party to whom inaccurate information has been presented by other sources."

You, by distribution of your letter of February 27, 1986, have relieved me of the obligation to withhold from party leaders the information contained in my memoranda. The decision to air these matters in a forum outside the Executive Committee was yours, not mine. Since you have chosen to enlarge the circle by dissemination of a communication replete with falsehood, there is no reason why I should permit wrong to mount the throne, while truth lies buried in the dungeon of confidentiality. Therefore, since receipt of your letter, I have made my memoranda available to party leaders outside the Executive Committee and others to whom I am informed your letter was directed.

2. I don't intend to pay any homage to your pretensions that you alone, unaided by any other human being, swam upstream against overwhelming odds to create a new party in America. I have been laboring in that vineyard since 1967, and don't recall your presence there except on two occasions when you were hawking tabloids for your own profit. You didn't even jump off the Republican band wagon until February 1984, and I vividly recall your participation in the 1971 effort with Bob Walters, The Committee To Reelect The President (CREEP), and the American Nazi Party in the unsuccessful drive to cause removal of the American Independent Party from the California ballot. I still have documentary evidence of your participation in this activity.

3. Contrary to your assertions, the Executive Committee of the Populist Party has not been inactive, and the party is not paralyzed. In spite of your obstruction and manipulation of the funds, the Executive Committee has put the party's finances in order, established an efficient and effective administrative headquarters, is continuing the organizational work of the party, and has a favorable bank balance in spite of your sneaky and underhanded efforts to thwart that result. You accuse me of obstructionism, but I haven't obstructed anything except your desire to solicit funds under false pretenses, your attempts to transact party business contrary to Federal election law and the party by-laws, and your venal attempt to perpetuate a system of perpetual bondage for the party to the entities which you control, through the assertion of what I believe to be a phony allegation of party indebtedness to your controlled corporations.

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4. I thoroughly disagree with your statement that: "Obviously, attempting to run a successful political campaign pay-as-you-go is totally unrealistic and can be productive of nothing but infinite impotence."

The late President Calvin Coolidge said: "There is no dignity, quite so impressive, and no independence quite so important, as living within your means."

He also said: "Industry, thrift, and self-control are not sought because they create wealth, but because they create character."

I can understand how these concepts may be alien to you, since you want to apply to the party the same kind of profligate deficit spending policy which is guiding President Reagan, and which guided his immediate predecessors, with regard to the conduct of governmental affairs. I assure you that Lord Keynes was not correct in asserting that the more you spend the wealthier you are.

I know that you are smart enough to know all this, and, therefore, I conclude that your advocacy of a perpetual party debt is motivated solely by a desire to keep the party in perpetual economic bondage to you for purposes of control.

5. Finally, I cannot help but note your lack of courage in failing to appear at the National Committee meeting on March 1-2, 1986, to defend your position, or at least answer questions from members of the National Committee about your financial manipulations. I recall that you barely escaped with your skin at the Chicago National Committee meeting, a year ago, because of the inadequacy of your answers with regard to your handling of funds raised and expended in the name of the party. If you had nothing to hide, you had nothing to fear in appearing at the National Committee meeting in Los Angeles. Your failure to be present speaks with greater eloquence as to the truth of matters, than does your nine page letter, replete with misrepresentations, delivered by an errand boy incapable of responding to any inquiry as to your stewardship of the funds which you raised and expended, without full and proper accounting, in the name of the Populist Party.

Now, with these preliminaries disposed of, let us look at the specific misrepresentations included in your letter.

LIE NO. 1: Your statement that your Populist Party corporation "was never activated."

Not only was the corporation activated, but it had and has officers, including a treasurer, who filed reports on its behalf with the Federal Election Commission. Further, you opened a bank account in the name of the corporation, and solicited funds in

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the name of the Populist Party which you deposited to the corporate bank account from which you then disbursed funds.

Further, you did not reveal to the elected officers of the party or the Executive Committee the existence of this corporation, and the fact that the acts being done by you were being done in the name of the corporation. I, personally, did not learn of the nature and activities of the corporation until March, 1985, at San Diego, a week or so following the National Committee meeting in Chicago, when I specifically inquired of you about the matter.

In your letter of February 27, 1986, you admit that: " The legal and official existence of the structured party began the instant Fleming Lee, at the party's first national convention in Nashville, on August 18, 1984, read the by-laws, took a vote, and proclaimed their adoption."

I concur with your statement that the legal and official existence of the structured party began at the Nashville convention. My concerns are that, with a legal and official party in existence, with elected officers, and particularly an elected treasurer, why did you not turn the party funds over to the treasurer as the law would seem to require? Why did you continue to solicit funds in the name of the party, an unincorporated association, but deposit and expend them through the corporate account? Why did you not reveal to the officers and Executive Committee that the corporation was functioning in place of the "legal and official" party organization?

You have never provided satisfactory answers to any of these questions, nor do I believe that you can.

LIE NO. 2: That Emmett Miller, the elected treasurer of the Populist Party, audited the books, accounts, and records of your corporate entity at the Executive Committee meeting held in Washington, D.C. on November 24-25, 1984.

I was present at the entire Executive Committee meeting, and I made inquiries with regard to the finances, as did Emmett and other members of the Executive Committee. I saw the materials you presented, and no one would need a degree in accounting to know that it would have been a physical impossibility to audit the books and records from the scanty materials you presented, and in the brief time allowed for review of this material while we were in Washington. The document which you attached to your letter and which you describe as "Emmett's audit written in his own hand," is nothing but a "Summary of Obligations", as the document states on its face, listing the obligations which you claimed were owed by the party, and the cash on hand in the bank account at the time we met.

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It is true, that in an effort to resolve the impasse at the meeting, I moved to acknowledge the debt you presented, providing that certain contingencies were met which would (a) relieve the individual Executive Committee members from any liability for the debt, since we had not been privy to the financial transactions which created it; and (b) that an austerity program go into effect to prevent further indebtedness being incurred. Had you disclosed to the Executive Committee that this debt was really that of the your corporation, and not that of the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, I can assure you I would have made no such motion.

Even so the contingencies were never met. Releases of the Executive Committee members from liability were never received from Liberty Lobby, or the Cordite Fidelity Corporation; and you apparently kept adding to the debt outrageous amounts for alleged services which the Executive Committee did not authorize, and had no way to verify.

From November 1984 to the present, you have consistently advocated that the Executive Committee, and elected treasurer, should breach their fiduciary duty to take control of the party's financial transactions. You have objected to the committee's advance consideration and approval of expenditures, and committee review and authorization for payment of bills. As you state in your letter: " I have told you and the Executive Committee many times, the important things to think about are growth, organization, membership, planning ahead and raising funds," in other words, anything except what you are doing with the money. Not only do the Bylaws require that the Executive Committee act on financial matters, but implementation of all the projects you describe is dependent upon our ability to pay for the cost. It is clear to me that we would never be able to accomplish any of these objectives if we allowed the finances of the party to remain in your hands, while you use the funds to subsidize your other ventures, and continue to add to the alleged debt of the party to your entities, keeping the party in perpetual bondage, while the real control over its affairs is not exercised by its elected leadership, but by you and your employees acting as officers of your corporation.

LIE NO. 3: In your letter you describe what you call my "novel theory that there have been two parties...."

You know full well that I believe there to be only one Populist Party, and that is the unincorporated association, created by the national convention in Nashville, Tennessee on August 18, 1984, with officers elected by the convention membership in accord with by-laws adopted by the convention. You concede in your letter that this event was the beginning of the "legal existence of the structured party."

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I hold that your corporation is not a party, but a device through which you are enabled to solicit funds in the name of the party from those who believe they are giving to the party, but whose funds are, in fact, deposited in the corporate account controlled by you, rather than turned over to the elected treasurer and party Executive Committee.

If this has not been your intent, I see no reason why you did not turn the control of the accounts over to the elected treasurer of the party following the national convention in August, 1984, or in November, 1984, following the election, or at least after the election of new officers for the full term at the Chicago National Committee meeting in March, 1985.

LIE NO. 4: You allege in your letter that I "secretly -- and without approval of the Executive Committee -- registered something called 'The Populist Party of the United States' with the F.E.C. on August 5, 1985."

I did no such thing. In fact, I have had no contact of any kind with the Federal Election Commission from the inception of the Populist Party to the present time.

Mrs. Miller, the elected treasurer of the Populist Party, did file with the F.E.C. for a registration number, which she is required by law to do. That number is different and separate from that of your corporation. Mrs. Miller is required to account for the receipts and expenditures of the party. She cannot be expected to report on transactions from accounts of yours over which she has no control, and about which you have provided such inadequate information that no one in his or her right mind would attest to the validity or propriety of the transactions from such accounts.

Finally, both the Executive Committee and the entire National Committee have ratified the acts of Mrs. Miller and the Executive Committee in their effort to protect the financial integrity of the Populist Party.

You fool no one by your continued transmittal of incomplete information to Mrs. Miller, with the demand that she report on the transactions from your accounts. She is not about to sign a report as to your transactions, which she has had no opportunity to verify, thus becoming an unwitting fall guy in F.E.C. proceedings pertaining to your handling of the accounts or your corporate entities.

LIE NO. 5: That Mrs. Miller has acted "without approval of the Executive Committee."

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On January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a motion, made by me, "that the Executive Committee support Mrs. Miller in her position that she is not responsible for filing any report with the Federal Election Commission or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corporation, or 'The Spotlight'."

On March 2, 1986, the entire National Committee adopted a motion stating that the National Committee: "Commends national Treasurer, Faye Miller and the National Executive Committee for all actions they have taken to assure lawful and fiscally responsible management of the party's finances; ratifies the actions of the Treasurer and the Executive Committee taken during the 1985-86 term with regard to party finances; and instructs the Treasurer and Executive Committee to continue the policies expressed in the fiscal motions already adopted by the Executive Committee."

LIE NO. 6: You say in your letter: "You state that party records have not been sent to Faye Miller. Perhaps you are unaware of the volume of material Blayne Hutzel has sent to your treasurer, each one via certified or registered mail, and we have the return receipts to prove it. She has been supplied with literally everything yet we have yet to receive the courtesy of even an acknowledgement."

You know as well as I do that Mrs. Miller has not been supplied with "literally everything". For example, she has not been provided with any list of contributors and amounts contributed to make up the $173,000.00 which you collected in 1985. How could she possibly verify the contribution portion of an F.E.C. report without this backup information?

Second, Mrs. Miller has never received the cancelled checks for the accounts you administer, nor full backup for the expenditures which you have made from the accounts. How can she be expected to verify the expenditure side of an F.E.C. report without this information?

I am not certain that any of us have knowledge of all of the accounts which you opened using one or another form of the name Populist Party. I certainly do not have this information, nor does Mrs. Miller.

I have never noticed that you have any trouble doing a sixth grade math problem, and you don't need any additional schooling to know that no responsible person could verify a report to the F.E.C. based on the incomplete accounting and financial information which you have provided to Mrs. Miller.

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LIE NO. 7: Your claim that Clara Sandahl, a person most of the Executive Committee have never even heard of, is "treasurer of the Populist Party." You state in your letter of February 27, 1986:

"I could take many pages citing inaccuracies and outright misstatements in your letters. For example, you state: 'The fact that the Populist Party, Inc. is a separate entity from the Populist Party, the unincorporated association, is confirmed by a letter from the F.E.C. dated August 22, 1985, to Clara Sandahl, treasurer of the Populist Party, Inc.' Your statement is untrue. The letter is addressed not as you state but to, 'Treasurer of the Populist Party.'"

Specifically what I said in my January 16, 1986 memorandum to the Executive Committee was that: "... on March 13, 1985, the Federal Election Commission addressed a letter to Clara Sandahl, treasurer of Mr. Carto's Populist Party Corporation, stating ...."

My words did not describe the manner of salutation from the F.E.C., but the actual position held by Clara Sandahl. The F.E.C. was apparently duped by you and your employees into believing that Mrs. Sandahl was the treasurer of the Populist Party, which she is not.

The Populist Party has had only two elected treasurers in its brief history: Emmett Miller, who was elected by the National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, and who served until his death in January, 1985; and Mrs. Faye Miller, who was elected at the March, 1985 National Committee meeting in Chicago, and who has served continuously from her election to the present time.

I had never heard of Mrs. Sandahl until I began to look into these matters, after March, 1985, when I learned that you were purporting to operate the party's financial affairs through a separate corporation, and I began to make inquiry on that subject.

You state in your letter that Mrs. Miller remains as treasurer of the Populist Party due primarily to my efforts. This is untrue. I am sure that Mrs. Miller could be reelected in her own right at any time, as evidenced by the unanimous vote of the National Committee to support what she has done as treasurer.

You have made repeated efforts to seek Mrs. Miller's removal from the office of treasurer because you could not control her, and because she would not sign reports to the F.E.C. covering transactions from your corporate account, an account over which she had no control, and inadequate information to validate the transactions.

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I remind you that Mrs. Miller was elected by a substantial majority at the National Committee meeting in Chicago in March, 1985, and her acts as treasurer were unanimously ratified by the National Committee one year later at the meeting in Los Angeles on March 2, 1986.

You, by contrast, have never been elected to any office in the party. You have been twice named to the Executive Committee by vote of the elected officers of the party, as allowed by the bylaws, and on April 18, 1986, you were removed by vote of the Executive Committee for your gross breach of fiduciary duty to the Populist Party, its members and contributors. Based upon your record, of which the National Committee members and state party leaders are finally acquiring full knowledge, I don't think that you could beat an asthmatic turtle across a tennis court in a National Committee meeting. When the National Committee held its 1986 annual meeting, at which time your stewardship with regard to party finances was subject to review, you were found neither among the dead, nor the wounded, but among the missing. This is potent testimony as to your personal faith in your ability to defend your record with regard to the party's financial affairs.

LIE NO. 8: You state, with regard to the November 1984 meeting of the Executive Committee in Washington, D.C.: "that I (Carto) suggested that you and Eileen stay at Mrs. Taylor's guest house during your Washington visit for the Executive Committee meeting in 1984, but you summarily rejected this, preferring to take quarters at the vastly expensive Capitol Hill Hotel, at the party's expense, of course."

You are correct in stating that I did reject staying at Mrs. Taylor's guest house, an accommodation which you offered at the party's expense. Instead, I chose to stay at the Capitol Hill Hotel, at my own expense. You know full well that I never billed the party for my stay at the hotel, but paid the bill myself, precisely as I told you I would do when I rejected the Taylor facility.

Not only did I pay my own bill at the hotel, but I registered under my own name, which is something I have noted you do not have the courage to do when you attend party meetings.

LIE NO. 9: You state: "I cannot help but recall... that you told me in 1968, and that you have told others, that you fully expected to make plenty of money out of the American Independent Party, and that your political experience had taught you how money could be made out of the game."

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I never made any such statement to you or anyone else. On the contrary, I worked at considerable financial sacrifice to keep the American Independent Party alive in the difficult period after the Wallace campaign of 1968, while you were working with Nixon's Committee To Re-elect The President (CREEP), Bob Walters, and the American Nazi Party to try to secure removal of the American Independent Party from the California ballot.

LIE NO. 10: You state that Maureen Salaman decided "not to run for the Governorship because of your refusal to supply her with the minimum possible support -- a secretary."

Mrs. Salaman's reasons for not seeking the nomination to run for governor on the American Independent Party ticket are far different than you assert, and are fully explained in her letter to Eileen and me, dated February 10, 1986, a copy of which is attached hereto.

In addition to these 10 deliberate misrepresentations, there are some additional matters discussed in your letter which deserve a passing comment.

1. You shed crocodile tears in your letter over Baron Eichoff of Florida, who was obviously doing your dirty work when he circulated a notice to the members of the Populist Party of Florida discouraging contributions to the national party. Eichoff said: "Many of you have been bombarded with requests from the national Populist Party for membership fees and monthly pledges. As a Florida Populist, you may disregard these mailings."

The dissemination of this material by Eichoff was in direct conformity to the policy which you touted in "The Spotlight" by means of a letter to the editor published on February 3, 1986, which said:

"I have been a dedicated Populist since the inception of the Populist Party, but due to what many perceive to be disarray in the Populist Party at the Executive Committee level, I am hesitant to send any contributions to the Populist Party's national office in San Diego, California.

"For that reason I am sending all of my contributions to my state Populist Party."

This diatribe was followed by two more in a similar vein in the letters to the editor collum of "The Spotlight" on February 17, 1986.

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Finally, "The Spotlight" contained a glowing tribute to Eichoff in the March 31, 1986 edition, the same edition which included a front page attack on the party's elected leadership by your paid henchman, Robert Weems.

It doesn't take too much imagination to see what you and Eichoff are doing.

2. You shed more crocodile tears over the refusal of the Executive Committee to hire your hand picked applicant for "national organizer". I can hardly see why the Executive Committee can be faulted for declining to hire a person who had no political experience, no proved ability to raise funds, whose "success" in business was not documented in any way, and whose semi-literate resume boldly proclaimed that he wanted to get into politics because he wanted to put less time into his work than was required by private business.

3. You make a snide reference to my daughter's work as administrator of the national office of the Populist Party. In your blind malice, you are apparently unprepared to admit that any child of mine could do a good job for the party.

Fortunately, the National Committee disagrees with you. At its recent meeting in Los Angeles, the National Committee unanimously adopted a resolution commending "National Administrator Nancy Shearer for her capable and efficient administration of the Populist Party's national administrative office."

I might add that Nancy's record speaks for itself. After nine months of your administration of the party's affairs, you informed us that you had incurred a debt in our name in excess of a quarter of a million dollars.

After six months of Nancy's work as administrator of the national office, including responsibility for fund raising, the Populist Party has almost $50,000.00 in the bank.

I think that any intelligent person looking at the record would choose Nancy over you, based on that performance.

4. I appreciate your coming forward with explanations of two of the expenditures from your corporate account which I questioned (the Blekeberg and Taylor expenditures), but I also note that you have provided no documentation to support your explanation. I also note that you offer no explanation as to the other two expenditures which I questioned in the same paragraph of my January 14 memorandum (the Bemis and Pariah expenditures). Like much else about your transactions, these expenditures remain unexplained.

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5. You allege in your letter that I condemn Peter Polkiewicz "for designing and manufacturing party emblems and paraphernalia". I don't condemn Polkiewicz. I simply point out that he is an employee of yours; that his operation was financed by you out of money which you raised in the name of the Populist Party, without authority of the Executive Committee; and that with these funds he launched a profit making venture using the party name and emblem.

Mr. Polkiewicz, with your aid and participation, is engaging in a fund raising activity which was not authorized by the Executive Committee. If he wishes to continue, he should account for his transactions, and enter into a profit sharing agreement with the Populist Party. This is not an unreasonable request, and you would certainly be taking a similar stand if someone else was raising money in the name of one of your entities without proper authorization.

6. In your letter, you cast aspersions at the American Independent Party, and perhaps this is a prejudice you picked up when you were working with CREEP, Bob Walters and The American Nazi Party to secure removal of the A.I.P. from the California ballot.

What you cannot escape is the fact that the American Independent Party is permanently ballot qualified in California, has the largest membership of any minority party in any state in the union, is the largest state affiliate of the national Populist Party, and is one of the few ballot qualified state parties in the Populist movement at this time.

I point out that if you had had your way in 1971, there would be no American Independent Party today, but then I acknowledge that a ballot qualified party is unnecessary to you for your fund raising objectives.

7. You accuse the party leadership of accomplishing nothing, but I call to your attention that the American Independent Party in California has fielded a full slate of statewide candidates in the 1986 election. Although you are a resident of California, you did nothing to help bring about this accomplishment. In fact, you haven't even given our statewide candidates a write up in "The Spotlight", while you devote front page coverage to an attack on the party and its elected leadership by Robert Weems, who is even socially unacceptable to the Ku Klux Klan.

8. You misstate the record when you say: "that you and I have never had the slightest disagreement over political philosophy and the party platform Bob and I drew up two years ago."

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As you are well aware, I do not agree with all of your philosophical peculiarities, particularly those which you express through your front group "The Committee For Hysterical Review". I do not believe that Adolf Hitler was one of nature's noblemen, or that the Nazi concentration camps during World War II were operated as five star hotels. Nor do I share your enthusiasm for the Skin Heads, or your apparent view that an American political party should be operated like a Munich beer hall putsch.

The only candidates for office which I see you encouraging in "The Spotlight" are either Nazis, Klansmen, jail birds, or some combination of the above. Contrary to your apparent belief, Nazism is not Populism. Populism is an American philosophy with roots deep in American soil. Nazism is a European aberration which cannot survive in an American atmosphere. It is just the kind of dictatorial socialistic system which caused the exodus from Europe to America of people seeking freedom and opportunity.

The document which you call a party platform, but which has never been approved by any representative body of the party, contains a number of worthwhile and commonly shared sentiments. Neither I, nor most other members of the party, however, agree with all that it contains. I, for instance, am not in favor of foreign aid, which you endorse in the so called platform; nor do I support the implied assault on first amendment rights which you gratuitously included.

Chairman John Couture has commenced action to see that the party has an opportunity to adopt a membership approved platform, and I fully support his decision to do so.

Finally, on the subject of philosophy, I reject, as do all true Populists, your support of the "former" Marxist, Lyndon La Rouche, and his gang of nuts. They, like your Nazi associates, have nothing in common with real Populism.

I further reject your so-called "tri-partisan approach" to elections, which is obviously the current scheme to keep you in good standing with the Republicans for the sake of "Spotlight" subscriptions (the loss of which you lament), while putting the Populist Party, which you no longer control, in cold storage.

In conclusion, and returning to the principal point, you had every opportunity to act honorably and in accord with the law in matters pertaining to the party's finances. You chose to go a different way and now you must live with the unhappy consequences of your breach of fiduciary duty to the party. The Executive Committee gave you every opportunity to put matters right by:

A. Dissolving the corporation which you are operating in the party name, or changing the corporation's name so that it cannot be confused with the Populist Party.

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B. Closing all bank accounts which you operate in the name of the Populist Party, and transmitting the funds remaining therein to the party's elected treasurer, Faye Miller.

C. Ceasing all solicitation of funds in the name of the Populist Party.

D. Cancelling the phony debt which you claim is owed by the party to your various entities, or submitting the records of these entities to a full audit by an auditor selected by the Executive Committee and paid for by the entities whose operation has made the audit necessary.

E. Paying the party the $1,500.00 which you owe it for use of the party's mailing list for a promotional mailing for "The Spotlight", as well as all money collected by you in the name of the Populist Party since September 29, 1985, the date when the Executive Committee instructed you to cease any solicitations in the name of the party.

F. Causing your employee, Peter Polkiewicz, to cease his solicitations in the name of the party until such time as he has made an accounting to the Executive Committee of the Populist Party, and entered into an appropriate profit sharing agreement with the party.

I enjoyed your comment that "I have often noted that when a trouble maker accuses someone else of an evil act, he is usually guilty of what he accuses others of." I suspect that you wrote your letter of February 27, 1986 while looking into a mirror.

Be assured that I shall provide a copy of this letter to all those persons known to me to whom you distributed your malicious and deliberately untruthful letter of February 27, 1986.

Sincerely yours,

William K. Shearer

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NHF NATIONAL HEALTH FEDERATION

NONPROFIT HEALTH RIGHTS CORPORATION
MAUREEN KENNEDY SALAMAN
President

February 10, 1986

MR. & MRS. W. SHEARER
8158 Palm Street
Lemon Grove, CA 92045

Dear Eileen & Bill:

I do hope my decision not to run for Governor of California has not hurt you or weakened our friendship.

Please try to understand my circumstances. Two projects which I have been working on for considerable time have come through for me. One is a regular TV show which I will have to have the time to research, write and produce.

My work with C.N.N. has proven successful and I will be taping what I hope to be just the first of many tapes for them in which I offer alternative viewpoints.

These responsibilities, of course, are all above and beyond the regular work load that I carry as N.H.F. president, editor of "Health Freedom News", and columnist for "Let's Live", "Townsend Doctors Newsletter", and "Chiropractic '83", plus my regular weekly radio talk shows.

It is for these reasons that Frank has unequivocally refused to allow me to run.

For, if poverty is a lack of people to help, then I am poverty stricken. I do not have the time to pick up my cleaning at the dry cleaners or function as a normal human being now. To add to that the time it takes to open, read and respond to the added mail that my candidacy would require, the time-consuming phone calls which would need to be responded to, are beyond my capabilities.

I will surely support the parties, ideals and goals wholeheartedly. Whoever you pick to run will have my heartfelt support.

You are good people trying to do a good thing.

Sincerely,

Maureen Salaman

MAUREEN SALAMAN

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PS Please share this letter with members of the executive committee, all other concerned parties, and contact the various registrar of voters.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER)
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v.)
)
POPULIST PARTY OF THE)
UNITED STATES, AND)
FAYE MILLER, TREASURER)
)

RE: MUR 2176

AFFIDAVIT OF FAYE MILLER RE: ALLEGED INDEBTEDNESS OF THE POPULIST PARTY TO LIBERTY LOBBY AND CORDITE FIDELITY CORPORATION

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)s.s.
COUNTY OF MOBILE)

I Faye Miller being duly sworn state that:

1. I am the duly elected Treasurer of the Populist Party of the United States, having been elected to this office by the National Committee of the party at its first annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois on March 9, 1985. By virtue of this office, I am a member of the national Executive Committee of the Populist Party,

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and have served in this capacity continually since March 9, 1985.

2. I am an accountant by profession, and have engaged in this profession continuously since 1951. I am admitted to represent clients in proceedings before the Internal Revenue Service.

3. This affidavit is made to show the history of the allegations of Willis A. Carto, and the corporations which he controls, Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corporation (which publishes "The Spotlight"), and the Populist Party, Inc. that a debt or obligation is owed to one or more of these entities by the Populist Party of the United States. This affidavit is also made to show the actions taken on this matter by the Executive Committee and National Committee of the Populist Party.

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4. Filed concurrently with this affidavit is an affidavit of William K. Shearer, parliamentarian of the Populist Party, which traces the history of the Populist Party during the 1984 - 1986 period, and which shows that during the period from on or about February 1984 through my election as treasurer on March 9, 1985, the control of the Populist Party's funds, and the expenditure of said funds, were entirely in the hands of Willis A. Carto, his employees, and entities which he entirely controls.

5. The debt which Mr. Carto and his entities now claim to be

owing by the Populist Party is alleged to have resulted from the 1984 presidential campaign. It is significant to note that no allegation of any indebtedness on the part of the Populist Party occurred during the campaign itself. Mr. Carto's employees filed reports of receipts and disbursements with the Federal Election Commission during the 1984 period, none of which indicated that there were any debts or obligations owed by the committee. Attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference are the following summary pages of certain reports of receipts and disbursements filed in the name of the Populist Party during the 1984 period:

A) Report filed July 16, 1984 by Clara Sandahl, covering the period from March 15 through June 30, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the committee. (Exhibit "A")

B) Report filed October 15, 1984 by Clara Sandahl, covering the period from July 1 through September 30, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the committee. (Exhibit "B")

C) Report filed October 29, 1984 by Clara Sandahl, covering the period from October 1 through October 17, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the

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committee. (Exhibit "C")

D) Report filed December 7, 1984 by Lois Petersen as assistant treasurer, covering the period from October 18 through November 26, 1984, which shows at line 10 that no debts or obligations are owed by the committee. (Exhibit "D")

Thus, in official reports filed with the Federal Election Commission covering the entire election period, no debt or obligation of any kind was claimed to be due and owing to any individual or entity by the Populist Party.

6. I am informed and believe that the first time Mr. Carto and/or the entities he controls alleged that the Populist Party was in debt to one or more of these entities occurred on November 24-25, 1984, at the first meeting of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party to be held after the National Convention at nashville, Tennessee on August 19, 1984. Attached hereto as Exhibit "E", and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of the minutes of said meeting. Attached hereto as Exhibits "F", and "G" respectively, and incorporated herein by reference, are two attempts at reconciliation of the alleged obligations, which were compiled by my late husband, Emmett Miller, then treasurer of the national Populist Party, during the course of the meeting in Washington, D.C. These documents, and the minutes, indicate

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that the total alleged indebtedness of the Populist Party at that time was $317,390.17, of which $264,888.80 was owed to Mr. Carto's corporations, Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation. Note that these claims against the Populist Party were being advanced at a time when the official statements of receipts and disbursements filed by Mr. Carto's employees with the Federal Election Commission showed no party debts or obligations owing. I am informed and believe that the figures on the sheets prepared by Emmett Miller were based solely upon information provided by Mr. Carto, and his employees; that no audit of the accounts from which Mr. Carto had transacted business in the name of the Populist Party was made at the Washington meeting; and that no audit could be made due to the short duration of the meeting, and the inadequacy of the information provided by Mr. Carto and his employees with regard to the accounts.

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7. On December 7, 1984, twelve days after the described Executive Committee meeting, Lois Petersen, purporting to act as assistant treasurer of the Populist Party, filed another report with the F.E.C. stating that the Populist Party had no debts or obligations (Exhibit "D"), and, although at the Executive Committee meeting of November 24-25, 1985, Mr. Carto and his employees has been specific to the penny as to the sum alleged to be owed to the Carto controlled corporations by the Populist

Party ($264,888.80), on February 7, 1984, Mrs. Petersen, again purporting to act as assistant treasurer for the Populist Party, addressed a letter to Mr. Paul Kolesa, Federal Election Commission, in which she stated:

> "The POPULIST PARTY is heavily in debt to various creditors, among them firms who have supplied labor, professional services, and facilities. This total amounts to more than $100,000. A fundraising campaign is necessary to liquidate these debts.
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> "The extreme pressures of the post convention and pre-election period, along with our efforts to gain ballot status across the nation, have made it impossible for us to determine the exact amounts involved in all these catagories. Just as soon as we do, we will submit Schedule D to cover."

A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "H", and incorporated herein by reference.

8. During December, 1984, Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation, each of which listed its address as 300 Independence Avenue S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003, addressed a series of invoices to the Populist Party at 300 Independence Avenue S.E.,

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Washington, D.C. 20003, claiming that the Populist Party was indebted to Liberty Lobby in the sum of $178,720.04 and that the Populist Party was indebted to Cordite Fidelity Corporation in the sum of $40,053.88, for a total debt owing of $218,773.42. On each of these invoices was written the word "intercompany". Copies of said invoices are attached hereto as Exhibit "I", and incorporated herein by reference. The term "intercompany" may refer to the Populist Party, Inc., another Carto controlled corporation, but could not properly refer to the Populist Party, a political party, an unincorporated association.

9. On January 15, 1985, Lois Petersen, again purporting to act as assistant treasurer for the Populist Party, directed a letter to Mr. Paul Kolesa at the Federal Election Commission, stating that various expenditures such as utilities, rent, and other miscellaneous items had not been reported to the F.E.C. Mrs. Petersen then said:

> "Services were performed and facilities supplied with the understanding that the POPULIST PARTY would promptly reimburse those who provided services or facilities.
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> "Accordingly, a fundraising campaign is underway, seeking to raise money for all these obligations as well as future party operations.

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"Since we have not yet been able to allocate all the applicable expenses, and since no funds are available now any way for repayment, we would like to hold this in abeyance for several weeks pending the results from our fund raising efforts. As soon as possible after that, we will be glad to submit the additional schedules required."

The official records of the Populist Party reflect no agreement such as that referred to by Mrs. Petersen, and it is significant that on January 15, 1985, in official correspondence to the F.E.C., Mrs. Petersen admitted that the so called creditors were still unable to "allocate all the applicable expenses" to the Populist Party. A copy of Mrs. Petersen's letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "J", and incorporated herein by reference.

10. On February 5, 1985, Lois Petersen, still purporting to act as assistant treasurer of the Populist Party, filed a January 31, 1985 Year End Report of Receipts and Disbursements. In this report, she listed debts and obligations owed by the committee in the total amount of $174,116.42. Of this sum $146,629.00 was alleged to be due and owing to Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight". A copy of the pertinent pages from the report are attached hereto as Exhibit "K", and incorporated herein by reference.

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11. On March 9, 1985, Willis A. Carto appeared at the first National Committee Meeting of the Populist Party at which time he distributed a statement of cash receipts, disbursements, and obligations for the period from November 23, 1984 through March 6, 1985. In this report, Mr. Carto claimed that the Populist Party had obligations in the total sum of $272,565.89, of which $241,836.72 was owed to Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight". A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "L", and incorporated herein by reference.

12. I am informed and believe that sometime after December 31, 1984, the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia non-stock corporation, separate and distinct from the Populist Party, an unincorporated association, filed a 1984 Virginia corporation income tax return in which it reported under the item Federal Taxable Income (from attached Federal return) a loss of $317,018.00. I am also informed and believe that no Federal return was attached to the Virginia return.

13. Sometime subsequent to June 30, 1985, I received from Blayne Hutzel, the controller of Liberty Lobby, a statement of "Accounts Payable" of the Populist Party. The total amount of said accounts payable was $78,366.10, of which $56,585.89 was alleged to be due to Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight". A copy of said accounts payable statement is attached hereto as Exhibit "M", and

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incorporated herein by reference.

14. On July 18, 1985, Blayne Hutzel addressed a letter to Mr. Fred Seipold, then chairman of the Populist Party, alleging that the Populist Party owed Liberty Lobby and "The Spotlight" the sum of $262,074.76. A copy of said letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "N", and incorporated herein by reference.

15. On March 31, 1986, Mr. Hutzel again sent me a copy of whet he alleged to be the accounts payable of the Populist Party as of that date. The total sum of the payables amounted only to $62,976.89. A copy of said accounts payable statement is attached hereto as Exhibit "O", and incorporated herein by reference.

16. During May, 1986, the Populist Party headquarters received communications from Liberty Lobby, and "The Spotlight" alleging that the party is indebted to Liberty Lobby in the sum of $209,183.83, and to Cordite Fidelity Corporation ("The Spotlight"), in the sum of $90,632.81, for a total obligation alleged of $299,816.64. Copies of said demand letters are attached hereto as Exhibits "P" and "Q" respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

17. The Executive Committee of the Populist Party authorized me

to reply to the communications attached hereto as Exhibits "P" and "Q", and I did so on or about June 5, 1986. Copies of my replies to Mr. Hutzel and Mr. Sweet are attached hereto as Exhibits "R" and "S" respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

18. On or about August 12, 1985, the officers of the Populist Party, Inc., including Clara Sandahl as Secretary/Treasurer, agreed to hold forever harmless and free from personal liability all members of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party for any and all debts incurred by said corporation at the request of, on behalf of, or for the benefit of the Populist Party of the United States. The agreement states:

> " The above named corporation, through its duly authorized representatives whose signatures appear hereon, recognizes that those persons to whom freedom from liability is granted by this AGREEMENT were, throughout the period of time over which this AGREEMENT holds binding, in no position to preview, assess, support or oppose any of the actions described above. Further it is acknowledged that this condition prevailed through no fault of the persons here excused from liability."

The period of time covered by the agreement includes March

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1, 1984, through March 10, 1985, inclusive. A copy of said agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "T", and incorporated herein by reference.

19. On January 18, 1986, I presented a motion to the Executive Committee which was unanimously approved, and which states:

> "Based upon the information available to the Executive Committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or "The Spotlight". These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships stating that the Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or 2nd or 3rd party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial

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records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party of the United States or its representative."

A copy of the minutes of said meeting are attached hereto as Exhibit "U", and incorporated herein by reference. This action of the Executive Committee was among those ratified by the full National Committee at its meeting in Los Angeles, California on March 2, 1986. No official response to this action has been received from Willis A. Carto or any of the corporate entities which he controls.

20. I have personally reviewed the reports of receipts and disbursements filed by the Bob Richards for President Committee, F.E.C. Identification #C00191643, for the periods from June 27, 1984 through September 30, 1985. This committee was established under the direction and control of Willis A. Carto, and has been continuously controlled by him and his employees. The reports for the committee were filed with the F.E.C. by Blayne E. Hutzel, assistant treasurer, who is also the controller of Liberty Lobby. The reports filed on behalf of the Richards committee show a pattern, with regard to the alleged indebtedness of the committee, comparable to experience of the Populist Party in dealing with Mr. Carto and his controlled entities. The Richards

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Committee reports show the following:

A) Report filed October 22, 1984 for period from June 27 through September 30, 1984. No debts and obligations owed by the committee. A copy of the summary sheet of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "V", and incorporated herein by reference.

B) Report filed October 29, 1984 for period from October 1 through October 17, 1984. No debts and obligations owed by the committee. A copy of the summary sheet of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "W", and incorporated herein by reference.

C) Report filed December 7, 1984 for period from October 18 through November 26, 1984. No debts and obligations owed by the committee. A copy of the summary sheet of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "X", and incorporated herein by reference.

D) It is only after the election was over that any alleged indebtedness of the committee appears. In a report filed with the F.E.C. on February 4, 1985, covering the period from November 26 through December 31, 1984, The Bob Richards for President Committee is alleged to owe debts and

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obligations in the amount of $32,000.61. A copy of the summary sheet for this report is attached hereto as Exhibit "Y", and incorporated herein by reference.

E) The same indebtedness is reported in a report of receipts and disbursements filed on April 23, 1985, covering the period from January 1 through March 31, 1985. Of the $32,000.61 alleged to be owed by the Richards committee $12,364.19 is alleged to be due to "The Spotlight", and $13,480.87 is alleged to be owed to Liberty Lobby. A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "Z", and incorporated herein by reference.

F) Although the Richards campaign had been over for almost 5 months by April 1, 1985, in a report of receipts and disbursements filed July 3, 1985, covering the period from April 1 through June 30, 1985, the indebtedness of the Richards committee leapt upward to $52,042.77, of which $36,732.52 was alleged to be due to Liberty Lobby, and $12,364.19 was alleged to be owed to "The Spotlight". A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "AA", and incorporated herein by reference.

G) In a report filled on October 11, 1985, covering the period from July 1 through September 30, 1985 the Richards

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indebtedness took another jump to $67,318.17. The total figure for debts and obligations on the summary sheet does not agree with the actual total reached by adding the figures in the column entitled "Outstanding Balance At Close Of This Period", on Schedule D-P attached to the report, where the indebtedness of the Richards committee to Liberty Lobby is listed as $54,060.92, and that to "The Spotlight" as $12,364.19 for a total of $67,425.11, a larger sum than is shown as the total at the end of the column. A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "BB", and incorporated herein by reference.

H) The same figures for the Richards committee indebtedness are reflected: (1) in the report filed on January 9, 1986 for the period from October 1 through December 31, 1985. A copy of said report is attached hereto as Exhibit "CC", and incorporated herein by reference; and (2) in the report covering the period from January 1 through March 31, 1986, attached hereto as Exhibit "DD", and incorporated herein by reference. Of particular significance with regard to the Richards committee reports is the continuing growth of the alleged indebtedness long after the election campaign was over.

21. I have personally reviewed and analyzed the record of

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contributions received by the Populist Party and the Richards campaign as reported by Mr. Carto's employees to the Federal Election Commission. I have further reviewed and analyzed the amount of money showed by those reports to have been paid to Carto controlled entities: Liberty Lobby, "The Spotlight", and the Committee To Defend Liberty Lobby. In addition, I have reviewed the allegations by Mr. Carto, Liberty Lobby, The Cordite Fidelity Corporation, and their employees with regard to debts alleged to be owed to the Carto entities by the Populist Party and the Richards campaign. This analysis shows that during 1984 a total of $664,895.00 in contributions was received by the Richards campaign and the Populist Party. From this sum, Mr. Carto paid to his non-party entities the sum of $180,315.00 from the bank accounts of the Richards campaign and the Populist Party, Inc. He now alleges that an additional $366,242.00 is due to his non-party entities from the accounts of the Richards campaign and the Populist Party. Should these sums be paid, it would mean that a sum equal to 82% of all of the contributions received on behalf of the Populist Party and the Richards campaign in 1984 would be paid over to the non-party entities of Willis A. Carto, i.e., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corporation, and the Committee To Defend Liberty Lobby. A copy of this recap is attached hereto as Exhibit "EE", and incorporated herein by reference.

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22. This analysis further justifies the position of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party that there should be no payment on any debt alleged to be owed by the Populist Party to Mr. Carto's non-party entities in the absence of a complete audit of all transactions engaged in by Mr. Carto and his entities affecting the Populist Party during the 1984 election, and the post election period to and including the present time.

For the reasons set forth above and each of them, the Populist Party has rejected any claim of indebtedness to the Carto entities in the absence of a complete audit of his accounts.

Executed this 13th day of June 1986.

I declare under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct; that affiant knows the aforegoing facts to her own knowledge, except as to those matters which are set forth on information and belief, and as to those matters affiant believes them to be true; and that if called as a witness to testify to the facts contained herein, affiant is competent to do so.

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Faye D. Miller

Faye Miller

1921 Summer Place Drive West

Mobile, AL 36618

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Joy Kemp

Subscribed and sworn to me on June 13, 1986.

County of Mobile State of Alabama

Notary public in and for said county and state.

My Commission Expires 11-1-87

Exhibit "A"

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For a Political Committee Other T... an Authorized Committee

(Summary Page)

RECEIVED / FEC MAIL ROOM

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ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2 FEC Identification Number

C00186726

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Check one box per report)

(a)
- ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
- ☒ July 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ January 31 Year End Report
- ☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-Election Year Only)
- ☐ Monthly Report for
- ☐ Twelfth day report preceding (Type of Election) election on (Date) in the State of
- ☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on (Date) in the State of
- ☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 3/15 through 6/30/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ -	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 196,843.50	$ 196,843.50
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 196,843.50	$ 196,843.50
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 183,890.61	$ 183,890.61
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ 12,952.89	$ 12,952.89
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ 60,000.00	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Clara Sundahl

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Clara Sundahl

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

July 16, 1984

Date

For further information contact

Telephone Number (Area Code)

Note: Submission of false, erroneous or incomplete information may subject the person signing this report to the penalties ...

All previous versions of FEC FORM 3 and FEC FORM 3a are obsolete and should no longer be used

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee
(FEC FORM 3)

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ALIGN AREA | POPULIST PARTY | ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Wash., D.C. 20003

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2 FEC Identification Number

C00186726

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on

(Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate boxes)

(a)
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☑ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year End Report
☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)
☐ Monthly Report for
☐ Twelfth day report preceding (Type of Election) election on ___ in the State of ___
☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on ___ in the State of ___
☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?
☐ YES ☑ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 7/1/84 through 9/30/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 50,737.40	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 268,872.87	$ 504,384.90
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c)) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B	$ 319,610.27	$ 504,384.90
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 317,057.81	$ 501,832.44
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ 2,552.46	$ 2,552.46
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that the report covered by this Report (including the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

For further information contact

Clara Sandahl

Oct. 12, 1984

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER — Date

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

(Summary Page)

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FEC ID NUMBER: C00186726

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., SE

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

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2 FEC Identification Number

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3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on

Date

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Check only one box)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ 30 Day Post-General Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ 12 Day Pre-General Report

☐ July 31 Mid-Year Report (Non-Election Year)

☒ Monthly Report Oct. 17

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO

SUMMARY

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Coverage Period 10/1 through 10/17/84		
6 Cash on hand January 1, 19 84	[illegible]	$ -
7 Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 2,552.66	
8 Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 32,750.37	$ 337,135.37
9 Subtotal (Add Lines 6 and 7 for Column A and Lines 6 and 8 for Column B)	$ 35,303.03	$ 337,135.37
10 Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 5,5[illegible]3	$ 31[illegible]
11 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (Subtract Line 10 from Line 9)	$ 29,755.00	$ 29,755.00
12 Debts and Obligations Owed TO This Committee (from Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
13 Debts and Obligations Owed BY This Committee (from Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

14 Name of Person Preparing This Report (Type or Print)

Clara Sandahl

15 Signature of Preparer

Date

FEC FORM 3 (REVISED 1/84)

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

(Summary Page)

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ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., SE

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

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2 FEC Identification Number

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3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on (Date)

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate box)

(a)
- ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
- ☐ January 31 Year End Report
- ☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-Election Year)
- ☐ Monthly Report
- ☐ Twelfth day report preceding the election on the State of
- ☒ Thirtieth day report following the general election on Nov. 6 in the State of U.S.
- ☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?
- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Reporting Period 10/18/84 through 11/26		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 26,758.60	[redacted]
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 108,615.33	$ [illegible]
7 Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B) Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 135,373.93	$ [illegible]
	$ 129,220.[illegible]	$ [illegible]
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(b))	$ 6,153.[illegible]	$ [illegible]
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	[redacted]
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	

I certify that this Report is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Lois Petersen, Asst. Treasurer

Dec. 6, 1984.

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER (Date)

A copy of this FORM 3 must be retained by the treasurer for three years from the date the report is filed.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

of the

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

of the

POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C.

November 24th & 25th, 1984

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The Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States met in Washington, D. C. in the Liberty Lobby Building, 300 Independence Avenue, S. E., on Friday and Saturday, November 24th and 25th, 1984.

The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by National Chairman William W. Baker who presided. Those Present were the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, James H. Yarbrough, the Secretary, Willis A. Carto, Thomas L. Goodloe, Emmett Miller and William K. Shearer.

Others present with the sanction of the Executive Committee were John Couture, Maureen Salaman, Fred Seipold and Eileen Shearer. Present at the request of the Chairman was Matthew Balik.

Chairman Baker presented an agenda by which he suggested the Executive Committee proceed to consider the following:

1. Current Status of the Party
2. Goals of the Party
3. Necessities of the Party
4. Financial Independence of the Party
5. Results of the 1984 voting and ballot status
6. State Chairmen and State Structures
7. Planning for the March meeting
8. Agenda for the National Committee meeting

The Executive Committee proceeded to discuss the first point of the Chairman's agenda.

There was a motion by William K. Shearer to admit to full Executive Committee membership the Honorable John Couture from Wisconsin and (Mrs.) Maureen Salaman, the Party's recent Vice Presidential candidate. The motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held on party membership and who were the members of the party, what groups, what economic strata.

Chairman Baker reported on his interview with Braden and Buchanan on "Crossfire" and offered to show the film of it to anyone who wanted to see it during the lunchbreak. He also reported on his 'Klan-Watch' activities and suggested that "we do not have to be too defensive."

Discussion was held on the location of the National Convention for 1988, the apportionment of delegates. The Secretary reported that the party had been invited to hold its 1988 convention in Minneapolis.

It was moved by Willis Carto and seconded by Thomas Goodloe to discuss the financial situation of the party. It was reported that between March and October of 1984 the party had received $ 235,512.03. Other receipts and disbursements were discussed for various periods of time the final totals were as follows:

Total Received for year	$ 648,833.40
Total Disbursements	621,121.37
Cash on Hand	24,712.03

Obligations over cash on hand were discussed to include out-of-pocket and other obligations; also the encumbered debt of the party. There was also debts of the Richards campaign to be considered.

Treasurer Miller reported that he had not been kept totally informed as to the status of the party's funds. It was agreed without a motion that the Treasurer be kept completely informed.

Financial obligations continued to be discussed. A figure of $ 275,073.92 was finally agreed upon as the total for which the party was obligated.

Revised obligations after additional ones were brought to light bringing the total obligations to $ 317, 390.17. It was reported that some of the obligatory debt was due the SPOTLIGHT for services rendered and the use of personal on a pro rata basis. Otherdiscussions showed obligations for the Richards campaign to be around $ 60,000 for a debt owed Park Lane Press and another $ 16,000 yet outstanding. It was also reported that Bob Richards owes the travel bill and also rental money for Dependable Mailing Lists.

The Executive Committee recessed at 10:40 and reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

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Members of the Executive Committee returned from the recess with $ 21,809.19 in additional obligations and bills due. It was discussed that most of the expenses had gone for attorney's fees and field obligations expenses. It was also reported that no substantial payments of the amount of $ 621,121.37 had gone to Liberty Lobby. At that time Chairman Baker recognized Fred Seipold to report on the legal bills. It was reported that in Alaska there was a bill for $ 654 additional and in Indiana $ 500.00 additional and another $ 225 due in New Jersey.

The conduct of John Armor was discussed.

Reports were received about Maine, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Texas. Further reports were made on the activities of Fippen and Long, attorneys and their bringing a law suit against the party for $ 3,900.

Payments were authorized to attorneys as follows:

Alaska	$ 654.00
New Jersey	975.90
Wyoming	510.00
South Dakota	25.15
Utah	900.00
Virginia	495.08
Plus $ 500 to answer a lawsuit	500.00
	$4060.13

The Executive Committee adjourned for lunch after 1:00 p.m. and reconveneed at 2:40 p.m. There was a further examination of bills which amounted to "a large total with an inability to cover outstanding obligations among which were 1. payroll, 2. functions, 3. litigation, 4. party-building and other."

Chairman Baker recognized Fleming Lee, the General Counsel, to address the Executive Committee about litigations and the F.E.C. He reported that the basic difficulty the party faced in this area was the activities of Bob Richards who recognized a committee to help him. He then gave a history of the Richards efforts and the funds raised through mailing. He reported that candidate Bob Richards had started another committee in Texas. Mr. Lee said that a candidate should have only one campaign committee and that Mr. Richards had organized one which "was improper." Attention was given to the expenses made on Richards's behalf and money given directly to him.

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Mr. Lee reported that virtually all the funds for the Richards campaign came to the original committee but that Mr. Richards disavowed the original committee itself. The F.E.C. advised Richards to merge what resulted in two campaign committees. He reported that Richards said "no compromise." Richards also reportedly complained of "no control" over the committee set up for him. He also reported that the F.E.C. reported that there were "many violations." Also, that Mr. Richards had written a letter to the F.E.C. but that the Populist Party to date had received no notice of a compaint from the F.E.C. The outcome of it all was that Bob Richards had refused to participate in the campaign and a question remained as to whether or not he must return $ 73,000 to the Populist Party.

Mr. Lee reported that the F.E.C. can bear down hard when put under pressure and that Mr. Richards may be investigated by that agency. The F.E.C., he said, has the information but no complaint has been filed. Mr. Lee advised that the Populist Party would have no obligations to Mr. Richards.

There followeddiscussion on the Richards for President campaign and that the deadline for matching funds has not necessarily passed.

Mr. Carto asked Mr. Lee if the Populist Party should sue Bob Richards personally and Mr. Lee advised that "there is no present basis for a Populist Party suit. Discussion then centered around Libertarian activities. Mr. Shearer said that we should consider costs at all time. He referred to "acrimonious philosophical discussion." Mr. Carto moved and Emmect seconded that discussion on this area be postponed until the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee.

The Executive Committee recessed at 4:20 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Committee members expressed concern over the financial situation and discussion followed on that subject. The committee agreed to go on record as accepting the figure of $ 301,887.04 as the total obligation of the party. The Maureen Salaman for Vice President Committee had outstanding credits of $ 9,500 and it was pointed out that the committee for the vice presidential nominee spent less than the amount budgeted.

It was agreed that Emmett Miller and Jim Yarbrough would meet with Blayne Hutzel on Sunday morning to go over more figures.

Mr. Shearer observed that funds will always be short and made some points regarding the party's financial situation.

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Further discussion ensured in re the party's finances and it was reported that allocating personnel costs for services rendered to the Populist Party by both Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT began June 11th. Liberty Lobby services were reported to be separate from The SPOTLIGHT and also Populist Party expenses were separate from those of Bob Richards. The cost accounting procedures would be explained by Blayne Hutzel.

Mr. Carto concluded that the selection of Bob Richards as a Presidential candidate had been a mistake and that the use of the Wendy Fairfield organization had likewise been a mistake. He reported that between the Populist Party and Bob Richards nearly $ 1,000,000 was raised.

Emmmett Miller addressed the committee about the Populist Party and referred to "well-organized elements in California, Wisconsin and the South." He suggested that the party debt be liquidated by an appeal for funds from party members. Mr. Miller also discussed the need for a uniform national ballot qualification law and suggested further that the Populist Party join in such a lobbying effort in concert with other "third" parties.

Chairman Baker then guided the discussions to the establishment of a second bank account for the party and expressed his desire to bring "external funds into the party." He began discussion centering around the Secretary's refusal to arbitrarily sign bank authorization cards whereupon the Secretary referred to the Uniform Commerical Codes prevalent in most of the states and insisted likewise that Executive Committee action was necessary before any such cards were signed.

At that point Counsel Seipold backed up the Secretary's judgment and said that his action in refusing to sign the cards at Chairman Baker's request was exactly proper.

Chairman Baker alluded to the fact that only now had the Executive Committee been getting knowledge of the party's indebtedness. Mr. Shearer spoke to the legal exposure. Mr. Carto rendered his judgment that one of our goals should be to get the Populist Party out of the "SPOTLIGHT orbit."

Mr. Shearer thereupon discussed the responsibility for funds and suggested that a program of disbursements and control of funds should be a matter of procedure. He suggested that the party had obligations to meet all indebtedness and proposed:

1. The Executive Committee has to have oversight.
2. An active Treasurer with two persons signing checks.
3. A monthly report to the Treasurer.
4. The possible establishment of a sinking fund.

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5. That there be no open-ended expenditures.

The Executive Committee showed itself unanimously in agreement with Mr. Shearer's thoughts. No motions were made.

Chairman Baker offered some thoughts on his ideas for a national Populist Party headquarters, a new building. There was some little discussion and the committee adjourned for dinner.

The Committee came back into session following dinner and immediately decided to put all financial questions on hold.

Chairman Baker then called for discussion on the situations in the various states. Reports were heard on all the states from Mr. Yarbrouhg, Mr. Seipold and the Secretary.

Discussion was held on what the national party was going to be in 1985 and 1986. It was concluded that the party's aims for 1985 & '86 be centered around:

1. Building organizations.
2. Getting petition drives started for 1988.
3. Seeking and running good candidates, and,
4. Weeding out the "creepy crawlers."

It was added that early organizational meetings be held with subsequent meetings and that an emphasis be made to get young people into the party.

Fred Seipold discussed the state party assessment structure.

The meeting recessed at 10:40 p.m. and was scheduled to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. the next day, Sunday the 25th.

The second day of the Executive Committee meeting began at 8:05 a.m. on Sunday, November 20th all members present or appearing shortly thereafter.

Mr. Carto suggested leaving consideration of the states' situations and moving back into financial discussions and the ratio work done by Liberty Lobby and The SPOTLIGHT for the Populist Party.

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The Chair recognized committee member Tom Goodloe of California who announced that in view of the financial situation and the indebtedness of the party he felt moved to tender his resignation. He departed the meeting after his announcement and there was no time allowed for discussion of it.

Mr. Shearer spoke to the resignation of Mr. Goodloe and the duties of the Executive Committee and nominated Mr. Fred Seipold of Idaho who was present at the meeting to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Goodloe.

The nomination was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Yarbrough and carried 7-0.

Discussion then ensued in re the costs of office personnel and it was reported that in April of 1984 71% of the time and efforts of certain persons were devoted to the Populist Party; in May the figure was 57%. Mr. Carto explained the bills for advertising.

Mr. Emmett Miller addressed himself to the expenses of the Populist Party with The SPOTLIGHT and discussed "going-in expenses" and "organizational expenses." John Couture emphasized that the party has "got to move forward."

The Chair called for resumption of the discussion of the states individually and suggested that the national office direct a letter to each state chairman.

Mrs. Salaman suggested that no one be present at the meetings of the Executive Committee except resource people and only when needed. The reference was made to Mr. Balik who included himself in the meetings evidently at the sufferance of the Chair and who participated in the discussions of the committee. No motion was offered or acted upon.

It was explained that the two Populist Party telephone lines were paid for by Liberty Lobby and that The SPOTLIGHT had provided printing and other services to the party.

At 11:55 Mr. Shearer moved the Committee recess until 1:15 and it was so ordered and without objection.

The Executive Committee reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

Mr. Shearer suggested that first we must know all of the party's obligations and then spoke to putting everything in context and then proceed with formal motions. The committee seems in agreement with such a procedure.

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Discussion was held about establishing a finance committee to watch day-to-day expenses; also the establishment of a debt fund. It was suggested that a sinking fund be established and supported by assessments upon members. It was thought unlikely that such an action would prove feasible. It was suggested that there be an account known as the 'debt retirement account' and another to be the 'operating account.'

Suggestions were made for establishing spending formulae and a budget. Emmmett Miller spoke about making final decisions on the party's financial situation.

Mr. Shearer offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Populist Party accept obligations of $ 264,888.80 (due Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation) as the valid and binding debt to be repaid to creditors through fund-raising campaigns to be commenced at the option of the creditors with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the Populist Party establish an operating account with the Security National Bank, Washington, D. C., which fund shall be used for day-to-day administration of the party; and,

"Resolved, that the current account at the Capitol National Bank, Washington, D. C., be used as a debt retirement account and that all expenditures other than debt retirement be approved by the Executive Committee; and,

"Resolved, that the individual members of the Executive Committee be absolved of any liability for debt; that all current bills be paid with existing monies as recommended by Mr. Miller's Expense Statement Memo as items #1 thru #24 of 21 November 1984, and, further, that items #31 and #32 and the remainder of the obligations be paid when the funds become available with the meeting of the obligations to be contingent upon each of the creditors providing each member of the Executive Committee with a written absolution of personal liability and/or obligation; and,

"Resolved, that all current bills be paid with existing funds as per the Expense Statement Memo lines 21-24 and lines 31 and 32 with the remainder of the obligations to be paid as the funds become available specifically lines 27-30, line 33, and line 35 on the aforesaid memo and on Mr. Miller's second sheet, lines 1-12.

Mr. Shearer moved the adoption of his resolution which was seconded by Mr. Couture and it was adopted 9-0.

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The Secretary prepared a proper resolution that the Chairman could use to open a bank account for the new operating account. It was read by the Secretary to the Committee and Mr. Seipold moved its adoption; seconded by Mrs. Salaman. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 9-0.

Mrs. Salaman introduced and led discussion on a "Populist Patriotic Pledge Program" calling for $ 10.00 per month from participating members. It was suggested that the program be implemented by The SPOTLIGHT and that Mrs. Salaman handle the mechanics of establishing such a program. It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Seipold that the committee give its approval to the plan. The vote was 7 with two abstentions.

The meeting was recessed by a vote of 8-0 and called back into session at 3:20 p.m. in Executive Session.

The location of the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee was discussed. The By-laws dictated that the meeting be held the second Saturday in March and that a quorum of 26 states would be required to transact business. The plan for proxies was discussed.

It was moved by Mr. Carto and seconded by Mr. Miller that the March meeting of the Populist Party National Committee be held in Nashville, Tennessee. There was some discussion to include comments upon the treatment of the Populist Party by the Nashville press. The motion was withdrawn.

The meeting date was mandated to be March 9th, 1985, and it was moved by Mr. Couture and seconded by Mr. Shearer that the meeting be held in Chicago, Illinois. The motion was adopted 8-0 and the Secretary was directed to move forward securing people in the Chicago area to make further arrangements for the said meeting of the National Committee.

Vice Chairman Yarbrough presided in the absence of Chairman Baker. The Secretary offered a resoluvtion as follows:

> "Resolved that at all subsquent meetings of the Executive Committee that no person shall sit in on the meetings except members of the Executive Committee and any necessary staff or resource personnel and only at the specific request of the Committee with such staff or resource personnel remaining present only during the necessity of their presence."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his resolution and it was seconded by Mrs. Salaman and adopted 8-0.

The Secretary offered another resolution as follows:

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"Resolved, that Mrs. Eileen Shearer be made an Ex Officio member of the Executive Committee with all the privileges of regular membership except the voting privilege, to include participation in discussion and with a perpetual invitation to attend any meetings of that body."

The Secretary moved the adoption of his motion and it was seconded by Mr. Couture and was adopted 8-0.

Discussion reverted to the March meeting of the National Committee and March 9th was mandated upon a motion adopted 8-0 by Mr. Couture and second by Mr. Shearer directing that the national office send forth the official call and that notice be not less than 30 days before the meeting, and that a statement of assessment be included.

The 1988 Populist National Convention was considered again and the Secretary reiterated the invitation by the Populists of Minnesota to have the convention in the Minneapolis and/or St. Paul, MN, area. No action was taken at this early date.

There was discussion on future programs and objectives. It was approved that there be a distribution of the By-Laws.

The Executive Committee then returned to discussion of the finances. An austerity program would have to be adhered to for the ensuing months, it was agreed. Until March, the committee concluded, there would have to be a "caretaker condition," in the words of Mr. Shearer. The committee dealt with projected necessary expenses such as office, phone and necessary salaries.

The idea of a separate national office as offered for consideration by the Chair was dispensed with and a more realistic approach considered. The Secretary suggested that survival is the first law of nature. Mr. Carto suggested that the 546-5530 number for the Populist Party be retained and offered the gratis services of (Mrs.) Lois Petersen to answer the calls and refer them to coordinators around the nation. That way there would be maintained a national number which would have the unifying effect of a national office.

The Executive Committee unanimously agreed upon the following procedure for a "caretaker situation:"

1. Keep the national office technically in the Liberty Building and accept the offer of Mr. Carto for answering and coordination communication by Mrs. Petersen.

2. Divide the nation into three areas, the eastern, the central and the western, retaining three area cooddinating chairmen, and,

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3. That the area coordinating chairman be paid $ 1,000 per month and allowed expenses up to $ 500.

It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Carto that the foregoing conditions acquiesced in by the committe be put into a formal motion and it was adopted 8-0 with the further stipulation that all such payments be made with the approval of the major creditor.

The Secretary then offered the suggestion that if the coordinating chairmen who carried the brunt of the party's work were to be reduced by 1/3rd in their salaries that it seemed logical that the National Chairman be also cut. He put it into the form of a motion which was seconded by Mr. Yarbrough. The motion passed 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining. According to the motion the Chairman would be paid$ 2,000 per month and allowed $ 500 in expenses and further that the Chairman's salary and expenses were ordered to be paid from and out of the independent operating account for which he would henceforth raise his suggested "external funds" and over which he would have control with checks to be signed by himself and the comptroller, Mr. Hutzel.

Mr. Shearer then offered a similar motion stating that "the foregoing motion further constitutes notice to all now in the employ of the party that this is a three-month deal subject to action by the National Executive Committee and ending March 9th and contingent upon the ability to pay future salaries."

The Shearer motion was seconded by Mr. Couture and adopted by a vote of 8-0 with the Chairman abstaining.

There was a motion by Mr. Shearer that the assessments by the national party upon the states (for 1/3d of a year) and the registration fees for the National Committee meeting in March be deposited in the operating account; it was seconded by Mr. Couture and passed 9-0.

The committee then went to discussion of Emmett Miller's idea for a national uniform ballot-qualifcation law. He suggested that such an effort could be coordinated by the Council of State Governments and with Washington State Sen. Jack Metcalf. After discussion the motion was withdrawn temporarily.

The committee then considered a motion by Mr. Carto, seconded by Mr. Shearer that"any majority of the members of the Executive Committee may convene the Executive Committee, with proper notice being given." It was adopted 9-0.

The Chair then recognized Mr. Carto who led a discussion of various groups who should be courted for their potential interest in and possible support of the Populist Party.

The committee recessed for dinner at 7:15 p.m.

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The committee reconvened at 9:20 p.m. with the Vice Chairman presiding, the Chairman having had to leave to appear on a radio talk show.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough called the meeting to order and discussion returned to the Miller Resolution for a national uniform ballot access law and Mr. Miller offered the following resolution:

> "Resolved, that the Executive Committee authorize the drafting of a Uniform Political Party Ballot Qualification Law for adoption by the various states of the Union in cooperation with other political parties in lobbying efforts, such proposed law to have targeted requirements of certification of national candidates by a national convention attended by delegates from at least one-half (1/2) the states and by petition in statewide situations of 500 qualified electors distributed by congressional districts.

Mr. Miller then spoke to his motion. Mr. Shearer suggested the motion be amended to include that the proposed law be drafted by Mr. Miller and suggested the assistance of Mr. Richard Winger of San Francisco, California, and further suggested that the motion "not be eroded with other ideas." The amendments were so stipulated and Mr. Miller moved its final adoption with the second by Mr. Shearer and it passed 8-0.

Acting Chairman Yarbrough then recognized Mr. Couture who spoke to the necessity of having an organized basis for starting the party's work. He explained his six-tier program which was/is a proposed program for large party membership and leadership expansion. The committee was very receptive to Mr. Couture's remarks and agreed it was needed to improve the membership numbers and the organization andactivities of the Populist Party.

Other short discussions were held and after 11:00 p.m. the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn and to reconvene on March 9th or 10th in Chicago, Ills., 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. KIMBALL
National Secretary

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Exhibit "F"

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Summary of Obligations

- Populist Party 11/24/84.

OBLIGATIONS		RESOURCES	
Liberty Lobby		Cash	
+ Spotlight	264,888.80	on Hand	27,442.03
Expense Reimbursement	28,467.53		
Payables	15,404.52		
	308,760.85		
Less - Cash on Hand	27,442.03		
= Party Deficit	281,318.82		

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Exhibit "G"

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OBLIGATIONS		RESOURCES	
LIBERTY LOBBY + SPOTLIGHT	264,888.80	CASH ON HAND.	27,442.03
TRADE PAYABLES	15,404.52		
EXPENSE REIMB	22,222.69		
TOTAL (STATEMENT ATTACHED)	302,516.01		
ADDITIONAL LIST (ATTACHED)	21,809.19 ~~27,205.50~~		
SUB-TOTAL	~~329,721.51~~ 324,325.20		
BOB RICHARD'S CAMPAIGN	20,607.00 ?		
GRAND TOTAL	~~350,328.51~~ 344,832.20		
LESS - CASH ON HAND	27,442.03		
PARTY DEFICIT	~~322,786.48~~ 317,390.17		

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Exhibit "H"

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX [redacted] WASHINGTON, D.C. [redacted]
(703) [redacted]

December 7, 1984

Mr. Paul Kolesa
Federal Election Commission
1325 K St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Kolesa:

Re: ID C 00186726; report for period ending Oct. 17, 1984

In response to yours of November 21, we are glad to supply the following clarification and explanation:

1. This detail covers the payment to American Express of October 17:

9/7/84	Budget Rent A Car	Travel	$358.74
9/5	Taylor Travel	"	69.00
9/7	"	"	69.00
"	"	"	874.00
"	"	"	925.00
			$2,295.74

2. In all cases in which we used "party fee" on Schedule B, we should have said "POPULIST PARTY fee."

3. The POPULIST PARTY is heavily in debt to various creditors, among them firms who have supplied labor, professional services, and facilities. This total amounts to more than $100,000. A fundraising campaign is necessary to liquidate these debts.

The extreme pressures of the post-convention and pre-election period, along with our efforts to gain ballot status across the nation, have made it impossible for us to determine the exact amounts involved in all these categories. Just as soon as we do, we will submit Schedule D to cover.

We trust that this response will be satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Lois Petersen

Lois Petersen
Assistant Treasurer

brd

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POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Exhibit "I"

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INVOICE

December, 1984

: Liberty Lobby, Inc.
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Populist Party
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Support Services

	Personnel	Rent	Total
March, 1984	$7,893.74	$234.90	$6,128.64
April, 1984	31,803.13	1,022.93	32,826.06
May, 1984	17,247.71	695.65	17,943.36
June, 1984	8,131.85	276.40	8,408.25
July, 1984	13,201.61	622.51	13,824.12
August, 1984	20,291.79	607.27	20,899.06
Sepetmber, 1984	16,153.04	683.48	16,836.52
October, 1984	21,824.52	1,238.16	23,062.68
November, 1984	15,035.56	671.09	15,706.65
Total-	$151,582.95	$6,052.39	$157,635.34

Inter company

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INVOICE

December, 1984

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Independence Ave. S.E.
ington, D.C. 20003

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Independence Ave. S.E.
ington, D.C. 20003

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Support Service

Merge/Purge	$1,544.72
Mailing List Rentals	12,417.35
Postage	15.00
Office Expense	156.19
Computer Expense	3,580.08
Professional Fees	250.00
Meeting Expense	33.00
Travel	607.95
Telephone	31.52
Printing	61.00
Publications	3.00
	$18,699.81

ibutions	$2,205.73	
xpense	1,790.04	3,995.77
	TOTAL	$14,704.04

INVOICE

December, 1984

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From: Liberty Lobby, Inc.
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

To: Populist Party
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Support Services

Telephone Expense

April, 1984	$544.43
May, 1984	523.56
June, 1984	664.55
July, 1984	605.86
Aug. 1984	852.82
Sept. 1984	1,479.20
Oct. 1984	877.56
Nov. 1984	832.68
TOTAL	$6,380.66

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Inter company

INVOICE

December, 1984

From: Cordite Fidelity Corporation
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

To: Populist Party
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Support Services

	Personnel	Rent	Total
April, 1984	$101.46	$39.83	$141.29
May, 1984	5,459.50	196.65	5,656.15
June, 1984	2,466.51	69.00	2,535.51
July, 1984	3,862.91	111.60	3,974.51
Aug. 1984	5,226.82	112.50	5,339.32
Sept. 1984	4,876.74	131.25	5,007.99
Oct. 1984	8,477.37	276.90	8,754.27
Nov. 1984	4.125.58	132.60	4,258.18
TOTAL	$34,596.89	$1,070.33	$35,667.22

Computer Expense	874.25
Consultant Fees	952.38
Travel	2,772.89
	40,266.74
Less- Contributions	$ 30.00
Office Expense	183.36
	213.36
TOTAL	$40,053.38

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INTERCOMPANY

Exhibit "J"

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POPULIST PARTY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. BOX 76737 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013
(202) 546-5890

16 PM 12:42

January 15, 1985

CERTIFIED P 584 185 557
RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Paul Kolesa
Federal Election Commission
1325 K St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Kolesa:

Re: C00186726

In response to your call, and with further reference to our letter of December 7, some administrative costs have been included on our reports under the heading "party fee." This item included, in some cases, salaries, travel, professional fees, and other expenses.

However, utilities, rent, and other miscellaneous items have not been reported. Services were performed and facilities supplied with the understanding that the POPULIST PARTY would promptly reimburse those who provided services or facilities.

Accordingly, a fundraising campaign is under way, seeking to raise money for all these obligations as well as future party operations.

Since we have not yet been able to allocate all the applicable expenses, and since no funds are available now any way for repayment, we would like to hold this in abeyance for several weeks pending the results from our fundraising efforts. As soon as possible after that, we will be glad to submit the additional schedules required.

If you have any further questions, please contact either Fleming Lee or Bernard DeRemer at 546-5611.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Lois Petersen

Lois Petersen
Assistant Treasurer

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RECEIVED BY THE FEC

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

(Summary Page)

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ALIGN AREA

ALIGN AREA

1. Name of Committee (In Full)

POPULIST PARTY

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., SE

City, State and ZIP Code

Wash., DC 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2. FEC Identification Number

C00186726

3. ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate boxes)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☒ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)

☐ Monthly Report for

☐ Twelfth day report preceding (Type of Election) election on ___ in the State of

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on ___ in the State of

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☐ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
5. Covering Period 11/27 through 12/31/84		
6.(a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ 6,153.19	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 15,631.04	$ 661,381.84
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 21,784.23	$ 661,381.84
7. Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 19,065.60	$ 658,663.21
8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ 2,718.63	$ 2,718.63
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	
10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ 174,116.42	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Lois Petersen, Asst. Treasurer

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Lois Petersen

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Feb. 4, 1985

Date

For further information contact:

[redacted]

[redacted]

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Notice: Submission of false or incomplete information may subject the person signing or submitting this Report to the penalty provisions of 2 U.S.C. 437g.

All previous versions of FEC FORM 3 and FEC FORM 3a are obsolete and should no longer be used

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For more information: Fleming Lee or Bernard DeRemer, 546-5611

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SCHEDULE D
(Revised 3/80)

DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS
Excluding Loans

Page 1 of 2 to
LINE NUMBER 10
(Use separate schedules for each numbered line)

Name of Committee (in Full) POPULIST PARTY	Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period	Amount Incurred This Period	Payment This Period	Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period
A Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., S.E. Wash., DC 20003		$16,611.91		16,611.91
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Adv.				
B Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		5,797.44		5,797.44
Nature of Debt (Purpose) support services				
C Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		70,287.79		70,287.79
Nature of Debt (Purpose) support services				
D Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., S.E. Wash., DC 20003	18,019.76			18,019.76
Nature of Debt (Purpose) mailing list rental and serv.				
[illegible] Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003	35,912.10			35,912.10
Nature of Debt (Purpose) mailing list rental & serv.				
[illegible] Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Amos Press Box 150 Sidney, Ohio 45367	11,485.22	3,990.88		3,990.88 11,485.22
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
[illegible] SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
[illegible] This Period (last page this line only)				
[illegible] LOANS from Schedule C (last page only)				
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SCHEDULE D
(Revised 3/80)

DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS
Excluding Loans

Page 2 of 2 for LINE NUMBER 10
(Use separate schedules for each numbered line)

Name of Committee (in Full) POPULIST PARTY	Outstanding Balance Beginning This Period	Amount Incurred This Period	Payment This Period	Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Dan Pilla 704 Edgerton St. Paul, Minn. 55101		1,265.00		1,265.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) bumper stickers				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Ave. Bethesda, Md. 20814	1,256.46	1,468.10		1,256.46 1,468.10
Nature of Debt (Purpose) computer serv.				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Duplex Prod. Box 92062 Chicago, Ill. 60675	1,066.76			1,066.76
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor District Service Printers 5004 Jackson St. Hyattsville, Md. 20781	1,162.00			1,162.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Systems Publications 1795 Olive St. Capitol Heights, Md. 20743	3,862.00	1,931.00		3,862.00 1,931.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) printing				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor				
Nature of Debt (Purpose)				
1. SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
2. TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)				
3. TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C (last page only)				
4. Amount to be carried forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only)				$174,116.42

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Exhibit "L"

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POPULIST PARTY
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Obligations
From November 23, 1984 through March 6, 1985

Cash On Hand 11/23/84	$ 24,712.03
Add: Receipts	110,460.46
Less: Disbursements	95,161.58
Cash On Hand 3/6/85	$ 40,010.91

Obligations

Liberty Lobby and Spotlight		
Advertising	$ 16,611.91	
List Rentals (Names)	59,497.93	
Support Services (Personnel)	1[illegible],215.42	
Support Services (Rent)	5,508.47	
Support Services (Telephone)	5,904.30	
Support Services (Office and Other)	12,098.79	$ 141,836.72
Expense Reimbursements		3,[illegible]4.31
Trade Payables		27,[illegible]84.86
Total Obligations		$ 272,565.89
Cash On Hand 3/6/85		40,010.91
Obligations Over Available Cash		$ 232,554.98

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Exhibit "M"

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Account Payables
June 30, 1985

		Date	Number	Amount			Account	Name	Number
ak Lane Press, Inc.		4-30-85	25166A	714-			Printing		5827
skins Publications		3-28-85	23922	2028-			Printing		5827
ofsteros, Auerbach, Okun & Co.		4-30-85	11453	825-			Accounting		6023
k Mailing Service		4-30-85	2141	191-25			Mailing Services		5868
k Mailing Service		4-30-85	2140	562-50			Mailing Services		5868
ecutive Systems Inc.		6-30-85	526061	13896.40			Computer Expenses		5808
ecutive Systems Inc.		5-31-85	50-527	1969.38			Computer Expenses		5808
ecutive Systems Inc.		4-30-85	504045	1453.52			Computer Expenses		5808
ined Mail Lithographers Inc.		6-7-85	N/A	668.50			Printing		5827
kers Incorporated		1-29-85	12363	2008.64	N	Posted on 2-19-86	Printing		5827
kers Incorporated		1-22-85	12373	6640.88	N		Printing		5827
[redacted] Incorporated		1-30-85	12385	3981.64	N		Printing		5827
gnitzki Hill Assoc.		3-14-85	95257	198-			Travel		7417
otlight	✓	10-10-84	N/A	11249.91			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
berty Lobby	✓	9-9-84	N/A	7580-			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
berty Lobby	✓	10-10-84	N/A	324-			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
otlight	✓	2-18-85	N/A	9812.32			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
berty Lobby	✓	2-18-85	N/A	3240.21			Mailing List Rental Expense		5867
otlight	✓	9-28-84	P-839	2430.45			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	9-24-84	P-830	779.58			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	9-28-84	P-831	442.72			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-4-84	P-850	2430.45			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-4-84	P-851	779.58			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-16-84	P-871	2430.45			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-4-84	P-872	779.58			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-19-84	P-891	2430.45			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-19-84	P-890	779.58			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-29-84	P-906	779.58			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	10-29-84	P-907	2430.45			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	11-2-84	P-919	1249.04			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	1-15-85	P-928	1000-			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	3-20-85	P-997	1000-			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	3-20-85	P-998	1000-			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	3-20-85	P-996	1000-			Advertising		6023
otlight	✓	3-20-85	P-1173	1000-			Advertising		6023
	Total			$98364.12					

56,585.89

Exhibit "N"

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LIBERTY LOBBY PUBLISHER OF

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE:
300 Independence Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003
Phone: 202-Liberty 6-5611

WEST COAST OFFICE:
P.O. Box 45302
Los Angeles, California 90045

Mr. Fred Seipold, Chairman
The Populist Party
2303 N. 44th St.
Suite 14-345
Phoenix, Az. 85008

July 18, 1985

Dear Fred:

Willis asked me to drop you a line and summarize the Populist Party payables to Liberty Lobby and the Spotlight.

Enclosed herewith are copies of the bills for the following:

*	Support Services-Personnel, Rent, Telephone, ect.	$205,448.87
*	Mailing List Rentals	35,013.98
*	Advertising	21,611.91
	TOTAL	$262,074.76

Regards,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

Copy to: Willis A. Carto
William K. Shearer

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Exhibit "O"

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Checklist Petty Accounts Payable 3/31/66

		1 Invoice Date	2 Invoice Number	3 Amount
1				
2	Spotlights	10-10-64	N/A	11 2591
3	Liberty Lobby	9-9-64	N/A	7500
4	Liberty Lobby	10-20-64	N/A	3201
5	Spotlights	2-15-65	N/A	9512 31
6	Liberty Lobby	2-15-65	N/A	3246 75
7	Spotlights	9-24-64	P-829	2430 45
8	Spotlights	9-24-64	P-830	779 55
9	Spotlights	9-28-64	P-831	3412 72
10	Spotlights	10-5-64	P-850	2430 45
11	Spotlights	10-5-64	P-851	779 55
12	Spotlights	10-15-64	P-871	2430 45
13	Spotlights	10-15-64	P-872	779 55
14	Spotlights	10-19-64	P-891	2430 45
15	Spotlights	10-19-64	P-890	779 55
16	Spotlights	10-29-64	P-906	779 55
17	Spotlights	10-29-64	P-907	2430 45
18	Spotlights	11-2-64	P-919	1490 00
19	Spotlights	4-5-65	P-325	1000 -
20	Spotlights	3-20-65	P-317	1000 -
21	Spotlights	3-20-65	P-353	1000 -
22	Spotlights	3-24-65	P-376	1000 -
23	Spotlights	3-24-65	P-373	1000 -
24				
25				
26	Verkouteren, Averbeck & Olson	4/30/65		435 00
27	Executive Systems Inc	6/30/65	50606	1389 60
28	〃 〃 〃	7/31/65	50706	1744 93
29	〃 〃 〃	8/31/65	50846	1391 63
30	〃 〃 〃	9/30/65	50961	1392 54
31				
32				6745 69
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LIBERTY LOBBY

300 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
PHONE: 202 LIBERTY 6-5611

April 28, 1986

Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Road
San Diego, CA 92120

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is a statement of account from Liberty Lobby, Inc. to the Populist Party dated December 31, 1984, showing an amount due of $209,183.83.

Included in this statement is a FEC estimated amount of $12,435.03 for personnel, rent and telephone expenses for the month of December, 1984, as per their audit report dated April 3, 1986, page 5.

We were patiently holding up this billing awaiting the above-mentioned audit report from the FEC.

This $209,183.83 should not come to you as a complete surprise because a major portion of it was previously approved as an obligation to be paid on November 24, 1984. Therefore, to avoid further action, we kindly request payment in full by Monday, May 12, 1986.

Sincerely,

Blayne E. Hutzel

Blayne E. Hutzel
Controller

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Your Influence Counts . . . USE IT!

LIBERTY LOBBY

300 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
PHONE: 202-LIBERTY 6-5611

STATEMENT December 31, 1984

To: Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Rd.
Box 211
San Diego, Ca. 92120

Personnel	$151,582.95
Mailing List Rentals	22,946.11
Service for Mailing	7,500.00
Telephone	6,412.18
Rent	6,052.39
Computer	3,334.76
Travel	607.95
Consultant Fees	250.00
Office Expense	159.19
Printing	61.00
Meeting Expense	33.00
Postage	15.00
Sub Total	198,954.53
Add: Estimated cost of Services for December, 1984 (Not included in the above)	12,435.03
Less - Contributions	2,205.73
Total Amount Due 12/31/84	$209,183.83

Your Influence Counts . . . USE IT!

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Exhibit "Q"

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THE SPOTLIGHT
THE PAPER YOU CAN TRUST

300 INDEPENDENCE AVE., S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
(202) 544-1794

May 9, 1986

Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Road
San Diego, CA 92120

Gentlemen:

Your treasurer, Mr. Emmett Miller, when preparing his report, which was accepted by the Executive Committee, only included known charges payable to Liberty Lobby and Cordite Fidelity Corporation by the Populist Party as of November 1984. Additional charges were incurred in late November and December. This fact was noted in the FEC Audit Report which estimated an additional amount due of $12,435.03.

Enclosed is a statement from The SPOTLIGHT for the period ending December 31, 1984 for $90,632.81. You had earlier received a statement from Liberty Lobby for $209,183,83.

SUMMARY

Amount Due Per Mr. Miller's Report		$264,888.80
Amount Due Per statement:		
Liberty Lobby	$209,183.83	
Cordite Fidelity Corp.	90,632.81	299,816.64
Total Additional Billing		$ 34,927.84

This debt must be paid immidiately or legal action will be taken.

Sincerely Yours,

William G. Sweet
Controller

WGS/mr

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THE SPOTLIGHT (THE PAPER YOU CAN TRUST)

300 INDEPENDENCE AVE., S.E.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003
(202) 544-1794

STATEMENT

December 31, 1984

To: Populist Party
6065 Mission Gorge Rd.
San Diego, CA 92120

Mailing List Rentals	$35,912.10
Personnel	34,596.89
Advertising	16,611.91
Travel	2,772.89
Consultant Fees	952.38
Sub-Total	90,846.17
Less- Contribution and Office Expense	213.36
Total Amount Due 12/31/84	90,632.81

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Exhibit "R"

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THE POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Administrative Office
3435 Camino del Rio South
Suite 318
San Diego, CA 92108

Mailing Address
6865 Mission Gorge Road
Box 211
San Diego, CA 92120

(619) 282-5614

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June 5, 1986

Mr. Blayne Hutzel
Controller
Liberty Lobby
300 Independence Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Hutzel:

Your letter of April 28, 1986, making demand on the Populist Party for the sum of $209,183.83, has been referred to me, for reply.

It is the position of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party that no sum or sums whatever are due to Liberty Lobby from the Populist Party. You have, as usual, submitted your demand without any documentation in support of your assertion that money is due to Liberty Lobby from the Populist Party.

On October 20, 1985, the Executive Committee adopted a motion requesting of Willis Carto that he provide a complete accounting of the Washington, D.C. account, including statements of deposit and canceled checks. This request was ignored.

On January 18, 1986, the Executive Committee adopted a further resolution, stating:

"Based upon the information available to the Executive Committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or 'The Spotlight'. These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships, stating that the Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or to second or third party suppliers and vendors from

whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit of the Populist Party of the United States or its representatives."

These resolutions, along with other acts of the Executive Committee, were ratified by the full National Committee of the Populist Party at its 1986 annual meeting in Los Angeles, California on March 2, 1986.

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June 5, 1986

Mr. William G. Sweet
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Dear Mr. Sweet:

Your letter of April 28, 1986, making demand on the Populist Party for the sum of $299,816.64, has been referred to me, for reply.

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AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

We, the undersigned, acknowledge and represent ourselves to be duly authorized officers of that corporation known as Populist Party, Inc., which is licensed to do business within the State of Virginia, and which lists as it's primary place of business 6803 Nesbitt Pl., McLean, Va., _____, and we further declare that we possess the power and authority to bind said corporation by our signatures hereon.

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The above-named corporation further agrees to hold forever harmless and free from personal liability all those persons named in Appendix A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, for the consequences of any action taken, or service rendered by, said corporation at the request of, on behalf of, or for the benefit of The Populist Party of The United States, any agent thereof, or any person(s)

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or group representing themselves to be The Populist Party of The United States.

The above-named corporation agrees that the freedom from liability granted herein shall cover the period of time beginning March 1, 1984, and continuing through March 10, 1985, inclusive, and said freedom shall extend in perpetuity.

The above-named corporation, through it's duly authorized representatives whose signatures appear hereon, recognizes that those persons to whom freedom from liability is granted by this AGREEMENT were, throughout the period of time over which this AGREEMENT holds binding, in no position to preview, assess, support or oppose any of the actions described above. Further, it is acknowledged that this condition prevailed through no fault of the persons herein excused from liability.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 12 day of August, 1985.

Populist Party, Inc.
corporation

by: [signature], title: President

by: [signature] title: Secretary-Treasurer

by: [signature], title: Vice President

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APPENDIX A

Mr. William W. Baker

Mr. James H. Yarbrough

Mr. Donald L. Kimball

Mr. Emmett Miller

Mr. William K. Shearer

Mr. Willis Carto

Mr. John Couture

Mr. Thomas L. Goodloe

Mrs. Eileen Shearer

Mrs. Maureen Kennedy Salaman

Mr. Fred R. Seipold

Mrs. Faye Miller

Mr. John Rarick

Mr. Rolland Victor

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The original of this APPENDIX is attached to, and incorporated therein by reference, the original of an AGREEMENT executed by officers of that corporation known as

Populist Party, Inc.,

dated the 12 day of August, 1985.

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POPULIST PARTY - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following are the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting which took place by telephone conference on January 18, 1986 at 8:00 AM Pacific time.

On line for the call were executive committee members John Couture, Don Kimball, Faye Miller, William Shearer, Jerry Pope, Rolland Victor, Richard Weimer, and National Administrator, Nancy Shearer.

Mr. Kimball asked for unanimous consent to change his vote at the previous meeting on adding Mr. Weimer to the executive committee from "no" to "yes".

Mr. Shearer objected to going back in the records and changing votes, but said Mr. Kimball's statement should be added to the record of this meeting.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That a demand be made upon the corporation officers of the Populist Party, Inc., a Virginia corporation, to do the following:

(1) The corporation chartered in the state of Virginia and known as Populist Party, Inc. be immediately dissolved and the charter returned to the State of Virginia; or, in lieu of the charter being returned that the corporation change it's name, purpose and intent so as differentiate it from the Populist Party of the United States, and make this differentiation clear to the public.

(2) That all bank accounts in the name of the Populist Party, Inc. be closed; and

(3) That any and all operations, including but not limited to the solicitation of funds by the Populist Party, Inc. immediately cease; along with any other reference to Populist Party which might confuse the corporation with the Populist Party of the United States.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs Miller moved that:

Based upon the information available to the executive committee at this time, the Executive Committee does not believe that the Populist Party is indebted in any sum or sums whatever to the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp., or The Spotlight. These entities are to abandon any and all claims of indebtedness to them by the Populist Party of the United States, and furnish the Populist Party of the United States duly executed documents, signed by the officers and/or owners of such corporations, partnerships or proprietorships stating that the

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Populist Party of the United States is not indebted to them, or 2nd or 3rd party suppliers and vendors from whom purchases were authorized or incurred by the above mentioned entities in the name of the Populist Party. Should the above mentioned statements of absolution from each of these entities not be obtained from the officers/owners of same by February 10, 1986, it shall be the duty of these officers/owners to submit all financial records pertaining to any alleged activities at any time in the name of the Populist Party to complete and detailed audit by the Populist Party of the United States or its representative.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Shearer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the executive committee support Mrs. Miller in her position that she is not responsible for filing any reports with the Federal Election Commission or any corporate forms in the name of the Populist Party, Inc., Liberty Lobby, Cordite Fidelity Corp. or The Spotlight.

Mr. Victor seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Miller moved:

That any and all solicitation of funds, sales of merchandise, or use of logo by any entity without express approval of the Executive Committee of the Populist Party of the United States cease immediately and that Graphic Productions be required to account for its unauthorized promotional activities, secure authorization from the Executive Committee, share revenues with the committee, and regularly account for the income from its sales of party materials.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Pope moved that any state party that tells its people not to contribute to the national be removed, and new officers installed with implementation of the motion to be handled by the chairman.

Mr. Shearer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the treasurer make a demand for the $1,500.00 owed to the Populist Party by the Spotlight for use of the mailing list, all money collected by the Populist Party, Inc. since September 29, 1985, and any balance presently in the Populist Party, Inc. account.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Weimer and passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that the party take all steps necessary to see that the Populist Party mailing list is not used by any one but the Populist Party without consent of the executive committee.

Mrs. Miller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Shearer moved that $2,500.00 be alloted for the printing of new literature.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Shearer moved that Mr. Couture be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred for travel while doing Populist Party work, and that Miss Shearer be allowed reimbursement for actual expenses incurred on trips to Oregon and Colorado to organize state parties there, under the supervision of the chairman.

Mr. Kimball seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Kimball moved that Mr. Victor be allotted $500.00 for travel on Populist Party business, to be accounted for to Mrs. Miller.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The possible employment of Howard Carson was discussed, but no motion was offered and the matter was dropped.

The meeting was adjourned with the option of another meeting left to call of the chairman if needed before the National Committee meeting on March 1st and 2nd in Los Angeles, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Shearer

Nancy Shearer, National Administrator

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For a Political Committee (Other Than an Authorized Committee)

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(Summary Page)

ALIGN AREA

1. Name of Committee (In Full)

BOB RICHARDS FOR PRES.

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported.

2 FEC Identification Number

See letter

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on _____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate boxed)

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-Election Year Only)

☒ Monthly Report for Oct. 20

☐ Twelfth day report preceding _____ (Type of Election) election on _____ in the State of _____

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of _____

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☑ NO

SUMMARY

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
5 Covering Period 6/27 through 9/30/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ -	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 180,208.85	$ 180,208.85
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ 180,208.85	$ 180,208.85
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 183,285.35	$ 183,285.35
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ -3,076.50	$ -3,076.50
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Blayne Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Blayne E. Hutzel

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Oct. 19, 1984

Date

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

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ALIGN AREA

ALIGN AREA

1 Name of Committee (In Full)

BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2 FEC Identification Number

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on ____ (Date)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate box(es))

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report ☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report ☐ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-Election Year Only)

☒ Monthly Report for Oct. 25.

☐ Twelfth day report preceding ____ (Type of Election) election on ____ in the State of ____

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on ____ in the State of ____

☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?

☐ YES ☒ NO

SUMMARY	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
5 Covering Period 10/1 through 10/17/84		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ --3,076.50	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 1,649.50	$ 181,858.35
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ --1,427.00	$ 181,858.35
7 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 139.92	$ 183,425.27
8 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	$ --1,566.92	$ --1,566.92
9 Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	
10 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$ -	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Blayne E. Hutzel

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER

Oct. 25, 19[illegible]

Date

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Name

Telephone Number

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For a Political Committee Other Than an Authorized Committee

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1 Name of Committee (In Full)

BOB RICHARDS FOR PRES.

Address (Number and Street)

130 Third St., S.E.

City, State and ZIP Code

Washington, D.C. 20003

☐ Check here if address is different than previously reported

2 FEC Identification Number

C 00191643

3 ☐ This committee qualified as a multicandidate committee during this Reporting Period on (Date)

4 TYPE OF REPORT (Check appropriate boxes)

(a)
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year End Report
☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non Election Year Only)
☐ Monthly Report for
☐ Twelfth day report preceding (Type of Election) election on in the State of
☒ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on Nov. 6 in the State of U.S.
☐ Termination Report

(b) Is this Report an Amendment?
☐ YES ☐ NO

SUMMARY

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year to Date
5 Covering Period 10/18/84 through 11/26		
6 (a) Cash on hand January 1, 19 84		$ -
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period	$ (1,566.92)	
7 Total Receipts (from Line 18)	$ 654.00	$ 182,512.35
8 (a) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c)) for Column A and (Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	$ (912.92)	$ 182,512.135
9 Total Disbursements (from Line 28)	$ 20.00	$ 183,445.27
10 Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 9 from Line 6(b))	$ (932.92)	$ (932.92)
11 Debts and Obligations Owed TO The Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	
12 Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.
Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Blayne E. Hutzel
Signature of Treasurer

Dec. 6, 1984
Date

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
130 Third St., S.E.

CITY: Wash. | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR:
☐ Primary ☒ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)
☐ Amendment for (Report) _____
☐ Monthly Report (month) _____
☐ April 15 Quarterly Report
☒ January 31 Year-end Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Termination Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
☐ Thirtieth Day After Election
TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5 COVERING PERIOD: FROM 11/26 THROUGH 12/31/84

SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	(932.92)
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	1,005.00
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	72.08
	9. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	16.54
	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	32,000.61
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 28a Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel
DATE: 1-31-85

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00181643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
130 Third St., S.E.

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR:
☐ Primary ☐ General

CITY: Wash. | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)
☐ Amendment for (Report)
☐ Monthly Report (month)
☒ April 15 Quarterly Report
☐ January 31 Year-end Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Termination Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
☐ Thirtieth Day After Election
TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5. COVERING PERIOD: FROM 1/1/85 THROUGH 3/31/85

6. SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	-
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
	9. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	-
	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$32,000.61
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
7. NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 29e Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Blayne E. Hutzel, Asst. Treas.

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel
DATE: 4-22-85

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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS EXCLUDING LOANS

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LINE NUMBER 12

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) BOB RICHARDS FOR PRES.	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DATE AND AMOUNT INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Dependable Lists 33 Irving Pl. New York, N.Y. 10003		6/28/84 7/13/84		565.29 2,526.20
Nature of Debt (Purpose): mailing list rental & serv.				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Capitol Hill Assoc. 201 Pa. Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		8/15/84		2,053.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): travel exp.				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Ave. Bethesda, Md. 20814		8/31/84 10/31/84		873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): computer serv.				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Cantwell-Cleary Co. 2100 Beaver Rd. Landover, Md. 20785		8/3/84		118.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): off. supp.				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		7/27/84		12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing list rental				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., SE Wash., DC 20003		7/12/84 8/31/84		5,000.00 8,480.42
Nature of Debt (Purpose): mailing list rental & serv.				
1) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
2) TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)				$32,000.61
3) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C-P (last page only)				
4) ADD 2) and 3) and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only)				

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
130 THIRD STREET, S.E.

CITY: WASHINGTON | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR
☐ Primary ☐ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Mark 'X' appropriate box and complete if applicable)
☐ Amendment (to Report)
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☐ January 31 Year-end Report
☐ July 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Termination Report
☐ October 15 Quarterly Report
☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
☐ Thirtieth Day After Election
TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5 COVERING PERIOD: FROM 4/1/85 THROUGH 6/30/85

SUMMARY		
	6 CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7 TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	-
	8 SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
	9 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 30 Column A)	-
	10 CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	-
	12 DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$52,042.77
	13 EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	-
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14 NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17e Column B)	-
	15 NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 20a Column B from 23 Column B)	-

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Diane E. Hutzel, Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER | DATE
Diane E. Hutzel

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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS EXCLUDING LOANS

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LINE NUMBER 12

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full) BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DATE AND AMOUNT INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Ave., S.E. Washington, DC 20003	5.000 8,480.87	6/1 3,040.34		5.000 8,480.87 3,040.34
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Mailing list rentals				
Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor THE SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Avenue, S.E. Washington, DC 20003	12,364.19			12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Mailing list rentals				
Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible] Systems [illegible] Avenue [illegible], MD 20814	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible] [illegible] Avenue, S.E. [illegible], DC 20003	2,053.00			2,053.
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible]		4/1 13,770.89 4/1 2,142.02		13,77[illegible] 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				
Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor [illegible]		6/1 4,295.40		4,29[illegible]
Nature of Debt (Purpose) [illegible]				

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL: BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street): 120 Third Street, S.E.

CITY: Washington | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR: ☐ Primary ☐ General

4. TYPE OF REPORT ("X" appropriate box and complete, if applicable)

☐ Amendment for the ____ Quarterly Report
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☐ Twelfth Day Before Election
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TYPE OF ELECTION: ____
STATE: ____ | ELECTION DATE: ____

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

5. COVERING PERIOD: FROM 7/1/85 THROUGH 9/30/85

SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
	7. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (From Line 22 Column A)	
	8. SUBTOTAL (Add Line 6 and 7)	55.54
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	10. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF THE REPORTING PERIOD (Subtract Line 9 from 8)	55.54
	11. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED TO THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	
	12. DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE COMMITTEE (Itemize All on Schedule C or Schedule D)	$67,318.17
	13. EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LIMITATION (From FEC Form 3P, Page 4)	
NET YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES	14. NET CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than Loans) (Subtract Line 28d Column B from 17b Column B)	
	15. NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Subtract Line 29b Column B from 23 Column B)	

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel, Assistant Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel | DATE: 10/9/85

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Washington, D.C. 20463

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)				
Bob Richards for President	[illegible]	[illegible]	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34			5,000.00 8,480.87 3,040.34
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing List Rentals				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	12,364.19			12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing List Rentals				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Executive Systems 4833 Rugby Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Computer Services				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Liberty Lobby 300 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	2,053.00		(Credit Offset) 186.00	1867.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Travel				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Liberty Lobby	13,770.89 2,142.02		(Credit Offset) 86.00	13,684.89 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Personnel and Rent				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor Liberty Lobby	4,298.40	7/1 15,547.40		4,298.40 15,547.40
Nature of Debt (Purpose): Books and Printing				
11) SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
21) TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)				$67,318.17
31) TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C-P (last page only)				
41) ADD 21 and 31 and carry forward to appropriate line of Summary Page (last page only)				

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Washington, D.C. 20463

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY AN AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL	2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT	C 00191643
ADDRESS (Number and Street) 130 Third Street, SE	3. IS THIS REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR ☐ Primary ☐ General
CITY Washington / STATE DC / ZIP CODE 20003 / ☐ Check if name or address is changed	

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- ☐ Thirtieth Day After Election

TYPE OF ELECTION _____ / STATE _____ / ELECTION DATE _____

COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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SUMMARY	6. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	$55.54
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I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true correct and complete

TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel, Assistant Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER: Blayne E. Hutzel / DATE: 1/7/86

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)	OUTSTANDING BALANCE BEGINNING THIS PERIOD	DATE AND AMOUNT INCURRED THIS PERIOD	PAYMENT THIS PERIOD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT CLOSE OF THIS PERIOD
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Nature of Debt (Purpose): Mailing List Rentals				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	1867.00			1867.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Travel				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	13,684.89 2,142.02			13,684.89 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose) Personnel and Rent				
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BOB RICHARDS FOR PRESIDENT

2. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C 00191643

ADDRESS (Number and Street)
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☐ Primary ☐ General

CITY: Washington | STATE: DC | ZIP CODE: 20003 | ☐ Check if name or address is changed

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TYPE OF ELECTION
STATE | ELECTION DATE

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TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER
Brayne E. Hutzel, Assistant Treasurer

SIGNATURE OF TREASURER | DATE

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Nature of Debt (Purpose) MAILING LIST RENTALS				
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	1,867.00			1,867.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) TRAVEL				
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	13,684.89 2,142.02			13,684.89 2,142.02
Nature of Debt (Purpose) PERSONNEL AND RENT				
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor LIBERTY LOBBY	4,298.40 15,547.40			4,298.40 15,547.40
Nature of Debt (Purpose) BOOKS AND PRINTING				
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor The SPOTLIGHT 300 Independence Ave. SE Washington, DC 20003	12,364.19			12,364.19
Nature of Debt (Purpose) MAILING LIST RENTALS				
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code of Debtor or Creditor EXECUTIVE SYSTEMS 4833 Rugby Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814	873.06 20.00			873.06 20.00
Nature of Debt (Purpose) COMPUTER SERVICES				
11 SUBTOTALS This Period This Page (optional)				
21 TOTAL This Period (last page this line only)				$67,318.17
31 TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS from Schedule C-P (last page only)				
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RECAP OF CASH RECEIVED BY AND DEBT CLAIMED TO BE OWED TO CARTO ENTITIES - 3-1-84 thru 12.31.84

I CASH RECEIVED BY CARTO ENTITIES

From Richards Campaign D.C office	97685 -	
From Populist Party, Inc D.C office	82630	
Total Cash Received by Carto Entities		180315.

DEBTS CLAIMED BY CARTO ENTITIES TO BE OWED THEM

Richard Campaign D.C office	66425.	
Populist Party	299817	
Debts claimed by Carto Entities		366242.

TOTAL OF CASH REC'D BY AND DEBT CLAIMED TO BE OWED TO CARTO ENTITIES	546,557.

II CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Richards Campaign	113.089	
Populist Party	551806	
Total Contributions Rec'd		664895
		118338

PERCENT Carto Entities' Claims & Receipts to Total Contributions	82%

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Populist Party, Inc
Bob Richards for President Campaign
(D.C. office)

Richards Campaign (D.C. office)		
Period		
6.27.84 thru 9.30.84 (Revised Copy) (Reference "B")	109781.	
10-1-84 thru 10.17.84	1649	
10-18.84 thru 11.26.84	654	
11.26.84 thru 12.31.84	1005	
1.1.85 thru 3.31.85	0	
		113089
Total Contributions Received by Richards Campaign		
Populist Party, Inc		
Period		
3-15-84 thru 6.30.84	196843.	
7-1-84 thru 9.30.84	208445.	
10-1.84 thru 10.17.84	32751.	
10.18.84 thru 11.26.84	108615	
11.27.84 thru 12.31.84	5152	551806
Total Contributions Rec'd by Richards - Populist Party		664895.
Less: Total Cash Rec'd By and Debt Claimed to Be Owed To Carto Entities		546557.
Excess of Contributions over Carto Entities' Receipts & Claims		118338
Percentage of Carto Entities' Receipts + Claims to Total Contributions Received		82%

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THE POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

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P.O. Box 377
Dauphin Island, Ala 36528

April 30, 1986

86 JUN 2 P3:08

Mr. Robert Raich
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Complaint
Michael C. Piper

Dear Mr. Raich:

Attached is "Statement of Designation of Counsel" duly executed by me in the above mentioned.

In the future, I would appreciate your directing any correspondence in this matter in such way that BOTH Mr. Shearer and I receive a copy directly from your office. Considering the distance involved between his office and mine, this method of handling correspondence will expedite matters.

Also, may I mention that your letter of May 23 regarding this matter was (according to postal stamp) mailed on May 27, 1986 and received by me on May 29. I bring this to your attention because of the 15 day response period involved.

Also, your letter did not contain the "brief description of Commission's procedures" mentioned. I am, this date, by telephone, requesting that a copy of this be forwarded to both Mr. Shearer and I. We feel it necessary to have this document in order to properly comply with requirements thereto.

We will be in touch with your office as soon as possible in this regard.

Very truly yours,

POPULIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES

Faye D. Miller

Faye G. Miller National Treasurer

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STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

MUR 2176

NAME OF COUNSEL: WILLIAM K. SHEARER - ATTORNEY

ADDRESS: 8158 Palm Street

Lemon Grove, California 92045

TELEPHONE: (619) 460-4484

The above-named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

5-30-86
Date

Faye G. Miller
Signature

FAYE G. MILLER
National Treasurer
Populist Party of the United States

RESPONDENT'S NAME: Faye G. Miller

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 377

Dauphin Island, Ala 36528

HOME PHONE: (205) 861-6462

BUSINESS PHONE: (205) 344-5975

NOTE ---

Please direct all correspondence regarding this matter to the above mentioned Counsel, with copy to Respondent.

Faye G. Miller

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 23, 1986

Michael Piper
208 Fourth Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Piper:

This letter will acknowledge receipt of a complaint filed by you which we received on May 16, 1986, which alleges possible violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, (the "Act"), by Populist Party of the United States. The respondents will be notified of this complaint within five days.

You will be notified as soon as the Commission takes final action on your complaint. Should you receive any additional information in this matter, please forward it to this office. We suggest that this information be sworn to in the same manner as your original complaint. For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling complaints. We have numbered this matter under review MUR 2176. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence. If you have any questions, please contact Lorraine F. Ramos at (202) 376-3110.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

By: Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

Enclosure

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 23, 1986

Faye Miller, Treasurer
Populist Party of the United States
P.O. 377
Dauphin Island, AL 36528

Re: MUR 2176

Dear Ms. Miller:

This letter is to notify you that the Federal Election Commission received a complaint which alleges that the Populist Party of the United States, and you, as treasurer, may have violated certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 2176. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

Under the Act, you have the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against the Populist Party of the United States and you in this matter. Your response must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and § 437g(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

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If you have any questions, please contact Robert Raich, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-8200. For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

By: Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

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Complaint
Procedures
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

SENSITIVE

MEMORANDUM TO: THE COMMISSION

FROM: MARJORIE W. EMMONS/ ARNITA D. HESSION ADH.

DATE: MAY 21, 1986

SUBJECT: MUR 2176 - COMPLAINT

The attached has been circulated for your information.

Attachment

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MUR 2176

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96 MAY 21 A10:24

208 Fourth Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003
May 16

Kenneth G ross
Associate General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

Dear Mr. Gross:

In accordance with your letter of May 13, (copy enclosed), I am re-submitting a copy of my original complaint of May 2, properly notarized and sworn as requested in your letter.

I thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Thank you again.

Michael Piper

MICHAEL PIPER

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 13, 1986

Michael Collins Piper
208 Fourth Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Piper:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter, of May 7, 1986. Your letter contained a notarization of your signature but was not properly sworn to.

You must swear before the notary that the contents of your complaint are true to the best of your knowledge and the notary must represent as part of the jurat that such swearing occurred. A statement by the notary that the complaint was sworn to and subscribed before him will be sufficient. We are sorry for the inconvenience that these requirements may cause you, but we are not statutorily empowered to proceed with the handling of a compliance action unless all the statutory requirements are fulfilled. See 2 U.S.C. 437g.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at (202) 376-3110.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

By Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

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209 Fourth Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003
May 2, 1986

Reports and Filings Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463
ATTN: William Baber

Gentlemen:

I wish to bring to your attention a matter which I believe deserves immediate investigation by the Federal Election Commission.

It is my opinion (based upon my intimate knowledge of the history and inner workings of the Populist Party) that when the treasurer of the Populist Party, Mrs. Faye Miller of PO Box 277, Dauphin Island, Alabama 36528, filed a registration form with the FEC for the Populist Party (which was subsequently given Identification #C00201343) that she submitted false, erroneous and incomplete information and as a result is subject to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. § 437g.

Before I proceed, please permit me to identify myself and explain my interest in this matter.

From February through December 1984 I served as the founding executive director of the national headquarters of the National Committee of the Populist Party of the United States.

The headquarters were located in Washington, DC at 130 Third Street, SE and remained at that location until they were subsequently transferred in March of 1985 to 2303 N. 44th Street - Suite 14-345, Phoenix, Arizona 85035. In approximately September of 1985 they were again relocated, this time to 6065 Mission Gorge Road, Box 211, San Diego, California 92120.

Following my resignation as executive director of the Populist Party headquarters I continued to maintain an interest in the party's affairs, and now I can see very clearly that Mrs. Miller, the treasurer, and others in leadership positions in the party are taking measures designed to absolve the party of legitimate debts incurred by the party during its 1984 organizational efforts.

The party is in debt to a number of corporate entities to the tune of some $300,000 and it is my opinion, based upon information which has been provided to me by a spokesman for the FEC, and based upon other outside information I have obtained, that the registration of the "Populist Party of the United States" (FEC #C00201343) was done by Mrs. Miller in order to avoid repayment of these debts.

I do not believe that this serves the Populist Party well. All legitimate debts should be repaid.

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The Populist Party National Committee was registered with the FEC on June 29, 1984 by its then-treasurer, Mrs. Clara Sandahl. The FEC assigned the party Identification #C00186726 and throughout the 1984 period the Populist Party provided the FEC with all required information.

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My commission expires January 31, 1989

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208 Fourth Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003
May 16

Kenneth G ross
Associate General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

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I thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Thank you again.

Michael Piper

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May 13, 1986

Michael Collins Piper
208 Fourth Street, N.E.
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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at (202) 376-3110.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

By Kenneth A. Gross
Associate General Counsel

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208 Fourth Street, SE
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May 2, 1986

Reports and Filings Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463
ATTN: William Baber

Gentlemen:

I wish to bring to your attention a matter which I believe deserves immediate investigation by the Federal Election Commission.

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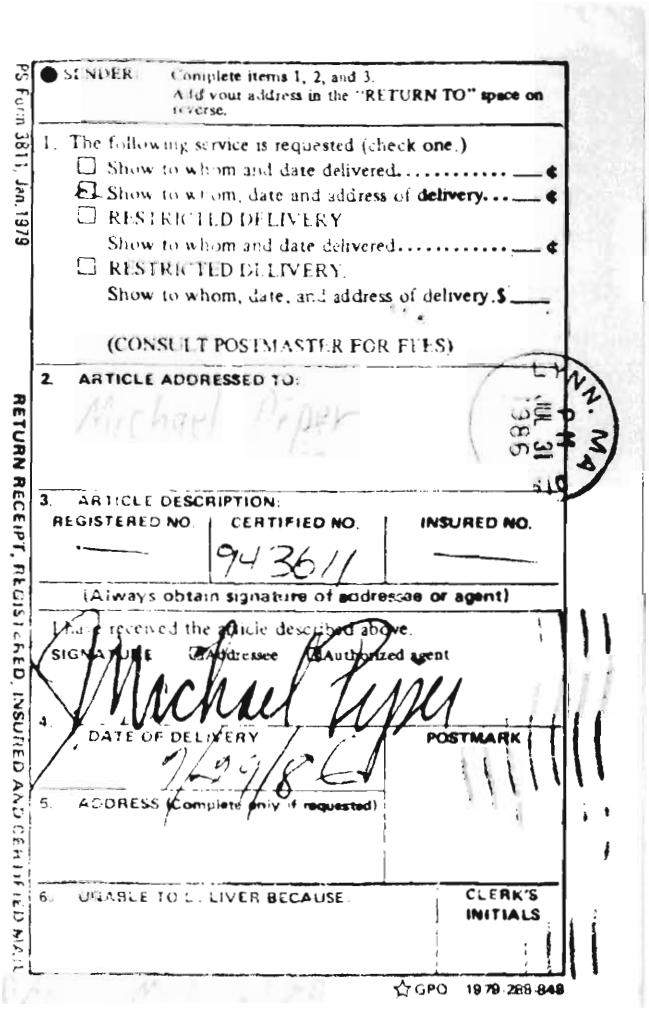
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