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August 25, 1986

Mr. Charles N. Steele
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
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Dear Mr. Steele,

This letter constitutes a complaint pursuant to 11 CFR 111.4, concerning an organization calling itself Republican Associates, located in Fresno, California, and the individuals acting on behalf of the Republican Associates. On the basis of information and belief, I am herein alleging violations by that organization and those individuals of the FECA and the relevant regulations.

It is my understanding, from the attached newspaper article, that this group was organized in August, 1985, and that, as of October 25, 1985, the date of the article, had already collected contributions from 150 people. It is also my understanding that as of November 8, 1985, this organization had not registered as a public committee with the Federal Election Commission. */

It is my belief that this organization constitutes a political committee pursuant to 11 CFR 100.5. From the attached article, it is clear that the organizers of this group fully intend to be and, indeed, are involved in campaign activities. For example, at their press conference, Mr. Earl Smittcamp is quoted as having stated that Republican Associates "will gather and disperse political information for valley campaigns," and he spoke about targeting specific Democratic candidates. He is quoted as having said that "when the Party gets a candidate against Coelho, we will have information very damaging to Coelho."

In addition, I am advised that this organization and its organizers have been raising funds by telephone, stating that the funds are needed for the defeat of Congressman Richard Lehman. And, they have engaged in a direct mail campaign, raising funds for the defeat of Democratic candidates.

*/ Republican Associates of Orange County and Republican Associates of Imperial County are registered with the FEC.

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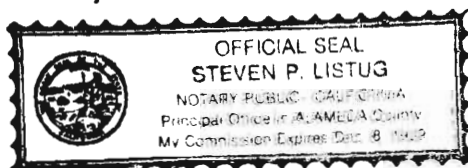
Thus, it seems clear that the Republican Associates has accepted "contributions", 11 CFR 100.7, and made "expenditures", 11 CFR 100.8, in more than sufficient amounts to make the organization a "political committee", 11 CFR 100.5.

It is therefore, my belief that Republican Associates has violated numerous provisions of law and regulations. A few regulations which I believe have been violated are listed below:

- 1) 11 CFR 102.1 - failure to register as a political committee;
- 2) 11 CFR 102.2 - failure to file a statement of organization;
- 3) 11 CFR 102.7 - failure to have a treasurer while accepting contributions and making expenditures;
- 4) 11 CFR 102.16 & 11 CFR 110.11 - failure to comply with the required disclaimer and notification provisions on solicitations;
- 5) 11 CFR 110.9 - accepting contributions greater than the limitations;
- 6) 11 CFR 104 - failure to report contributions and expenditures;
- 7) 11 CFR 102 - failure to maintain proper records of contributions and expenditures;
- 8) 11 CFR 104.7 - failure to make best efforts to obtain, maintain and submit information required by the Act;
- 9) 11 CFR 114 - accepting prohibited contributions.

It is my belief that this organization and those individuals who are acting on behalf of this organization have violated some or all of the above listed regulations. Pursuant to 11 CFR 111, I believe that a compliance action should be initiated.

State Of California
County of Alameda ss.



Sincerely,

Betty Smith
Betty Smith
State Chair

Sworn to and signed in the presence of: Steven P. Listug on 08/26/86

Steven P. Listug
Notary Public

My commission expires: 12/08/89

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GOP support group organized

Republican Associates will collect, distribute campaign information

Former Assemblyman Ernest Mobley of Sanger and rancher Earl Smitcamp of Clovis announced Thursday the formation of Republican Associates, a new political support group in the San Joaquin Valley.

The organization, with 150 contributors so far, began operating in August.

At a Fresno news conference, Mobley and Smitcamp said their non-profit organization will gather and dispense political information for valley campaigns.

Funded through individual contributions, the group hopes to raise \$100,000 per year. It will make no endorsements.

Executive Director Jean Schvafel joined Mobley and Smitcamp to explain Republican Associates plans.

They said the new group is modeled after a similar organization in Southern California. They credited political consultants John Hix and Lynn Joyner with starting the valley group.

Republican Associates will assemble and coordinate politically related information, a task now spread among various Republican candidates on a "hit and miss" basis, Mobley said.

"It is difficult for me to say 'Republican Party' between elections," Smitcamp said, "because it falls apart. The week after elections, there are no offices, no telephones."

Smitcamp used Rep. Tony Coelho, D-Merced, as an example of an enemy of Republicans whom Republican Associates might target.

"Coelho is always in the news," Smitcamp said. "He is always making inaccurate, untrue, undocu-

mented, damn fool statements about President Reagan. When the party gets a candidate against Coelho, we will have information very damaging to Coelho."

Republican Associates intends to buy computers to organize the information it collects. It also will furnish a speakers bureau so that Republicans are always available to comment on breaking developments.

The group will serve Fresno, Tulare, Kings, Madera, Kern, Merced, Stanislaus and San Joaquin counties.

Trustees are Mobley, Smitcamp, Marilee Frame, Ginger Jarvis, Loretta Montgomery, J. Gordon Kennedy, Alan Kemp, Ed Pates and David Marshall. Legal counsel is J. Miles Reid, and public affairs chairman is Doug Vagin.

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Ed Davis has represented the 19th District in the State Senate since 1980. He previously served as Chief of the Los Angeles Police Department. Known for strong conservative support based on his stand on law and order issues, Davis' unexpected vote for AB1, the "gay rights bill," has cost him some support. As one of the two officially announced candidates, Davis has retained Art Finklestein as a political consultant. His campaign seems strongly oriented toward crime, court reform and national defense. Being in the midst of a four-year term, Senator Davis has a "free ride" and will not have to give up his seat. (Officially announced)

Art Laffer is without doubt the best known proponent of "supply side" economic theory. A former Chief Economist for the Office of Management and Budget, Laffer is now a Professor at Pepperdine University and heads his own economic

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Alan Cranston vs.



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Bruce Bronzan
Assemblyman 31st A.D.
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Democrat Chameleons

A most interesting article, titled "Valley's Democrats fit party's new mold," was published in *The Fresno Bee* in July this year. It explored the success of our valley Democratic legislators in tailoring their rhetoric and a few crucial votes to the conservative leaning of their districts.

The ability to take on protective coloration as does the chameleon has been instrumental in the elective success of the Democratic candidates. Coelho, Lehman, Costa, Bronzan and others seem to have purposefully learned to mouth the proper conservative words when at home in the district, yet have consistently voted for the same discredited liberal programs of the past while supporting the state and national policies advocated by Jerry Brown and Walter Mondale. This, of course, has been frustrating to the Republican Party as the Valley most often votes for Republican candidates for Governor and President.

The solution lies in making the public aware of the specific votes of these Democratic legislators which are opposed to the feelings and interests of their constituents. Republican Associates through the R/A newsletter will furnish that information. We have begun with this issue (see Vote Ratings and Attendance). In coming issues we shall cover state

legislators and votes on specific bills. Your support makes this information program possible and will contribute to future Republican success in our Valley.

Of Legislative Interest

Although R/A takes no position on legislative issues, we realize the importance of certain legislation to the people and economy of our Valley and in future issues we shall publicize specific bills of interest. In the meantime, we think it important to note that Congress is currently considering the farm bill and international trade provisions. Additionally, the combined issues of tax revision and the budget and trade deficits are being debated. All these impact our Valley citizens.

R/A recognizes the adverse circumstances faced by agribusiness. Whether we look at raisins or wine, cotton or grain, tree fruit or nuts or the dairy industry — most segments of agriculture have suffered economic reverses. Included in this first issue is a listing of our Valley representatives, both Democrat and Republican. Please use this information to express your opinions directly to your legislators.

Rose Bird and the Supreme Court

Although current polls are encouraging, opponents of Supreme Court Chief Justice Rose Bird face no easy task. With campaign funds of one-half million raised to date, Justice Bird will mount a vigorous defense. Having access to some of the leading Hollywood personalities, her campaign could also be expected to air commercials similar to those done by Jack Lemmon and Jack Klugman to confuse the issue on Proposition 39 (Reapportionment) in the 1984 election.

The opposition to Bird has zeroed in on her rulings affecting death penalty cases and the effect on public perception has been significant. Less clear, however, is the extent of the damage to Justices Grodin and Reynoso whose votes are nearly identical to those of Bird. Liberal Bird supporters are afraid that her vulnerability will result in non-confirmation for her colleagues and some supporters have suggested that she resign in order to defuse the issue.

The two most active organizations in opposition to Justice Bird are *Crime Victims for Court Reform* and *Californians to Defeat Rose Bird*. Although many leading Republicans are involved in the campaign to defeat Rose Bird, the Republican party takes no official position. Belief is that keeping the fight non-partisan will enhance chances for success. R/A will do a major update on Justice Bird and the campaign in a future issue.

Campaign Support School

San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, in conjunction with the Republican Party, local Republican candidates and the Federation of Republican Women, is sponsoring a Campaign Support School in Fresno on October 12. The school is being coordinated by Jean Schwafel, the new Executive Director of Republican Associates. Please see the attached brochure or call Jean at 264-2129 for further information. R/A will continue to innovate and support this type of foundational support for our party and its candidates.

U.S. Senate Race Update

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research and consulting firm. He is best known for the "Laffer Curve" which demonstrates the effect of taxation levels and his work strongly influenced the economic policy of the first Reagan Administration. Laffer has retained Bill Roberts as his campaign consultant. Future success of his candidacy may well depend on the state of the economy in 1986. (No official announcement)

Dan Lundgren is serving his fourth term in Congress representing the 42nd District. An attorney, Lundgren formerly worked on the staffs of U.S. Senators George Murphy and Bill Brock. Described as "aggressive, tenacious — a conservative on the move," he has shown special interest in the areas of crime, immigration and the economy. (No official announcement)

Robert Naylor was elected to the State Assembly in 1978 and represents the 20th District in the San Mateo area. Bob served as Assembly Republican Minority Leader for three years. He is not only one of the two officially announced candidates, but also until just recently held the distinction of being the only Northern California based candidate. Bob entered the race early and has diligently worked the state for support. (Officially announced)

Fess Parker, best known for his TV role as Davy Crockett, is also exploring a run in 1986. Urged on by political consultant, Stuart Spencer, who also talked to Heston and Ueberroth, Parker is a resident of Santa Barbara. Although he is a staunch Republican of long standing, his prior political involvement has been solely as a volunteer. (No official announcement)

Ed Zschau is the latest in long line of potential candidates. Now serving as a Congressman from the 12th District, representing Silicon Valley, Zschau founded an electronics company and served as its president prior to entering Congress. Ed has also been an Assistant Professor at the Stanford Graduate School of Business and Harvard Business School. He serves on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and has special interest in U.S./Soviet relations, international trade and technology. (No official announcement)

Most candidates were in attendance at the recent Republican Party State Convention in San Diego where they hosted hospitality suites and worked the delegates for support and financial contributions. Fess Parker had scheduled a hospitality suite, later cancelled, and did not personally attend. This may have been because of some unavoidable conflict or may be an indication that he chooses not to run. Time will give us the answer to that and other questions about the staying power of the present crop of potential candidates. And, who knows, we possibly have not yet seen all the names.

Although a sizeable fallout in candidates is expected both prior to the time for filing and during the primary election, one thing seems to be certain — Republican voters will have a wide choice in June of 1986.

Interesting sidelights on this race are: (1) all members of Congress must surrender their seats in order to run; (2) as State Senators, Campbell and Davis have "free rides" since they are between terms; (3) Naylor must surrender his Assembly seat; (4) Antonovich has a "free ride" as Supervisor but would have to resign as Chairman of the California Republican Party; (5) Herschensohn may be constrained for time because of his employment, but Parker could devote as much time as his personal business and inclination would allow and Laffer would seem to fall somewhere between the two; (6) Zschau

and Parker would seem to be best situated in terms of privately financing their primary campaigns.

The final common denominator, is perhaps the most important of all — the Republican Party must not take for granted the defeat of Alan Cranston. Despite the tarnishing of his image in 1984, despite his gaunt appearance (one politico looking two weeks past dead), Alan Cranston is a tough, active man who is not short on political savvy and has proved more than once that he is not an easy opponent. He is a U.S. Senator and the power of incumbency is not underestimated. Let us then work for the primary campaign of our choice, but after the primary, let us also unite in common purpose to elect one more Republican Senator to the State of California.

Further Political Updates

Governor - Late polls show Bradley slightly ahead of Deukmejian. The Governor, however, was taken prior to the recent close of the legislative session which most observers rate as a success for Governor. ... also prior to the flap over militant Black Muslim, Louis Farrakhan's speech at the Inglewood Forum which incensed the Jewish community because of Bradley's neutrality.

Lt. Governor - Orange County Supervisor and former Assemblyman, Bruce Nestande, and Assemblyman Don Sebastiani of Sonoma are the leading contenders for the Republican nomination. There is also a strong indication that former Lt. Governor, Mike Curb may enter the race. This seat could be of major importance since if the incumbent, Democrat Leo McCarthy, is re-elected, it would adversely affect consideration of Deukmejian for national office in 1988.

Controller - Assemblyman Phil Wyman and State Board of Equalization member, Ernie Dronenberg, are taking a hard look at the race. Incumbent, Ken Cory, is seen as vulnerable because of his involvement in the State Teachers Retirement Fund investment scandal.

Fresno County Sheriff's Race

Although there have been no official announcements, the battle to succeed retiring Sheriff Hal McKinney is certain to contain at least two of the three unofficial candidates — Clovis Police Chief Gerald Galvin, Assistant Sheriff Steve Magarian and Sheriff Captain Richard Pierce. Also mentioned is D.A. Investigator/Supervisor Tony Braga and former candidate, Gerald Lawless. All these potential candidates are registered Republicans.



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A JOB THAT NEEDS DOING

While volunteer organizations are, and should continue to be, a most important cog in the Republican Party gearworks, there is a need for a catalyst to provide the resources, communication network, and educational programs needed to enhance their individual efforts and supply a focal point for long range development of mutual goals and objectives.

Republican Associates fills that void. By offering a permanent information repository and resource center, R/A functions as both a clearing house and communications arm for the benefit of all Republican organizations and interested individuals.

Republican Associates is a private, non-profit corporation governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees. R/A employs a full time Executive Director to coordinate day-to-day activities and utilizes the services of a professional consulting firm to develop and monitor R/A programs and activities.

Funding for all operations is provided by supporters who contribute in the interest of Republican Party unity and long range development.

We at R/A are mindful of the fact that many of you receive numerous requests for contributions from other political organizations and candidates. This age of computerization and sophisticated direct mail has seemingly reduced the

uniqueness and importance of the individual. Every request looks the same. And often we overlook an opportunity to really make a difference.

Republican Associates can make a difference — for you, for our valley, for our Party. In addition to this Newsletter, R/A maintains an Information Center and Research Library and provides Candidate Encouragement and Assistance. We sponsor Republican Speakers and Campaign Workshops and Seminars and Courses in Practical Politics. And we offer a common meeting ground for interested, dedicated Republicans in our valley.

R/A does not: (1) select or endorse candidates; (2) finance or solicit contributions for candidates or political committees; or (3) initiate, endorse or contribute to political legislation or causes. R/A's unique job is as an information resource tool — to publicize and popularize the Republican Party, its principles and its candidates — and to also make public the Democratic record with facts and figures instead of rhetoric.

If you are not a contributor, we invite you to join in our cause and help us to make a difference right here in our own back yard. If you are already a supporter, we ask you to show this newsletter to your Republican friends and ask them to help. Together, we can make a difference.

Why YOUR participation in Republican Associates is Important.

1. Because you believe in good government.
2. To make a difference right here in the San Joaquin Valley.
3. To support a permanent organization that is devoted to getting more Republicans interested and involved in politics.
4. To help elect more Republicans to all levels of public office.
5. To assist an organization whose sole interest is the
6. Republican Party and not political personalities.
7. To provide a central location where San Joaquin Valley Republicans who are interested in running for public office can go to get information and straight answers.
8. To provide continuity of purpose and networking among Republican organizations and supporters.
9. To create a powerful voice in behalf of San Joaquin Valley Republicans in order to bring issues of concern to national and state Republican leaders.

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CONGRESSIONAL VOTE RATINGS AND ATTENDANCE

Illustrated below are vote ratings of the three Congressmen representing the heart of the San Joaquin Valley. These ratings are not all inclusive. The ratings are based on selected votes by the various organizations listed. They merely indicate the particular organization's interpretation of the philosophical leanings of the Congressman as it relates to legislation of interest as identified by the organization.

ORGANIZATION		CONGRESS 15th C.D. TONY COELHO (D) ELECTED 1978						CONGRESS 17th C.D. CHIP PASHAYAN (R) ELECTED 1978						CONG. 18th C.D. RICK LEHMAN (D) ELECTED 1982	
	YEAR	'79	'80	81	82	83	84	'79	'80	81	82	83	84	83	84
1) Congressional Quarterly VOTING ATTENDANCE	O/O	87%	87%	94%	91%	87%	88%	88%	85%	82%	93%	85%	91%	92%	88%
	VOTES	672	604	353	459	498	408	672	604	353	459	498	408	498	408
PRESIDENTIAL SUPPORT	O/O	72%	74%	47%	44%	28%	23%	34%	41%	68%	71%	73%	57%	22%	23%
	VOTES	145	117	76	77	82	113	145	117	76	77	82	113	82	113
PRESIDENTIAL OPPOSITION	O/O	22%	16%	49%	52%	62%	64%	54%	45%	13%	22%	21%	38%	78%	64%
	VOTES	145	117	76	77	82	113	145	117	76	77	82	113	82	113
PARTY UNITY	O/O	77%	82%	81%	61%	83%	85%	77%	67%	75%	82%	77%	80%	91%	81%
	VOTES	318	227	132	167	277	192	318	227	132	167	277	192	277	192
PARTY OPPOSITION	O/O	13%	7%	17%	11%	4%	3%	13%	15%	13%	14%	9%	12%	4%	7%
	VOTES	318	227	132	167	277	192	318	227	132	167	277	192	277	192
Conservative Coalition SUPPORT	O/O	38%	15%	47%	37%	21%	20%	82%	73%	75%	81%	85%	88%	15%	20%
	VOTES	144	95	75	73	89	59	144	95	75	73	89	59	89	59
Conservative Coalition OPPOSITION	O/O	55%	72%	52%	59%	64%	71%	8%	13%	5%	14%	4%	10%	79%	71%
	VOTES	144	95	75	73	89	59	144	95	75	73	89	59	89	59
2) ADA	O/O	58%	72%	55%	65%	75%	80%	11%	11%	5%	15%	0%	10%	80%	85%
	VOTES	19	18	20	20	20	20	19	18	20	20	20	20	20	20
3) AFL-CIO	O/O	85%	71%	73%	78%	100%	85%	35%	21%	21%	25%	6%	31%	100%	77%
	VOTES	20	8	15	13	17	13	20	8	15	13	17	13	17	13
4) CCUS	O/O	41%	60%	32%	33%	33%	47%	82%	75%	94%	76%	82%	88%	30%	50%
	VOTES	18	34	19	22	20	16	18	34	19	22	20	16	20	16
5) ACA-RI	O/O	13%	9%	22%	23%	13%	15%	79%	77%	77%	91%	100%	100%	15%	20%
	VOTES	26	34	24	23	28	21	26	24	24	23	28	21	28	21

*1979-80 - Jimmy Carter President

1) Congressional Quarterly is a weekly publication that follows Congressional and Administration Activities. It is published by Congressional Quarterly Inc., an editorial research service and publishing company

2) ADA (Americans for Democratic Action) is a private organization of citizens of liberal persuasion

3) AFL-CIO (American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations) is an umbrella organization of trade and service unions throughout the United States

4) CCUS (Chamber of Commerce of the United States)

5) ACA-RI (Americans for Constitutional Action Research Institute) is a private organization of citizens of conservative persuasion

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Calendar of Events

Fresno County

Central Committee - Second Wednesday each month, 7:30 pm, State Bldg., 2550 Mariposa St., Fresno. Contact Ruel Williams, Chairman, 439-3303.

Fresno County and City Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon meeting, Fri., Sept. 27, 11:30 am, Tornino's, 5080 N. Blackstone, Fresno. Contact Rose Barrett, Pres., 439-3620, or Frances Bradshaw, 224-9708.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California - Meets at the Refectory in Fresno first Sunday each month, 4:30 pm. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres., 275-2988.

Fresno Republican Assembly - Fourth Wednesday every month, Fashion Fair Community Room, Fashion Fair, Fresno, 6 pm. Contact Charles Casey, Pres., 435-5407.

Fresno Young Republicans - Third Wednesday each month, 6:30 pm, Pearson Realty, 2550 W. Shaw, Fresno. Contact Don Nelson, Membership Chr., 264-7687, or Kelly McNeil, Treas., 222-4481.

Teenage Republicans (TARS) of Fresno - Bi-monthly, late afternoon meetings. Contact Alex Marashian, President, 435-7139.

Third Annual Bill Jones Golf Tournament Fundraiser - Monday, Sept. 30, 12 noon, Sunnyside Country Club, \$175/player. Advance reservations required; call Terry Stone, 225-3664.

Deukmejian Campaign Committee Fundraiser Dinner - Thursday, Oct. 17, 6:30 pm, Centre Plaza Holiday Inn, \$250 per person. Contact Richard Peters, 442-4484, or Chuck Poochigian, 252-7271.

Kern County

Central Committee - Meets second Tuesday each month, 7 pm. Contact Martha Fallgatter, Chairman, 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women Federated - Meets second Tuesday each month, noon at Red Lion Inn. Contact President Mary Piland, 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kings County

Central Committee - Meetings held last Monday each month, 12 noon, Sportsman Club, 1826 N. Douty, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chairman, 584-2611.

Kings County Republican Fundraiser - October 7, 6:30 pm at the home of Les and Carolyn Brown, 19800 Hanford/Armona Rd., Lemoore. Contact Chairman Terry Harper, 584-2611, or Vice Chairman, Nick Kinney, 584-3391.

Madera County

Madera County Republican Party - Meets first Monday each month, noon, at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G St., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chairman, 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon at Madera County Library, 121 N. G. St in Blanche Galloway Room. Contact President Sue Glunz, 674-8220.

Merced County

Central Committee - Meeting date, Wednesday, October 18, 7:30 pm, Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 4. Contact Chairman Baker Ring, 723-9892, or Chuck Meyer, 722-1541.

Merced Republican Women Federated - Meets third Monday each month at the Branding Iron 16th St., Merced, beginning at 11:30 am. Contact Colleen Nordman, 383-0422, or President Linda Kollman,, 723-6962.

San Joaquin County

Central Committee - Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 pm, San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parsons, Exec. Director, 948-8102.

San Joaquin County Republican Central Committee, under the auspices of the Sierra-Central Valley Republican Caucus, presents the 1985 REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL FORUM, October 19, San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, 6:30 pm. No Host Cocktails, 7:30 Dinner, 8:30 Forum. Cost: \$25 per person, including dinner. Contact Don Parsons, Exec. Director, S.J.C. Rep. Central Comm. or Joan Recca, Chr., Sierra-Central Valley Rep. Caucus, 576-7280.

Stanislaus County

Central Committee - Meets fourth Monday each month. September meeting will be held at Stanislaus Implement, F Street, Modesto. Contact Jim Dignan, Chr., 838-3564.

Modesto Republican Women's Club - Regular meetings held second Monday each month. Contact Sheila Carrol, 523-2016 for location and time.

Modesto Rep. Women's Club 9th Annual Bar-B-Q, Sunday, Sept. 29, 4-8 pm, Fisherman's Club, Maze Blvd., Modesto. Contact President Sheila Carrol, 523-2016.

Tulare County

Central Committee - Second Tuesday each month, 7:30 pm, Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett, Jr., Chairman, 784-1311.

Tulare County Republican Central Committee Dinner - October 18, 7:30 pm, Exeter Memorial Bldg., Exeter. Speaker: Former Senator Hawakaya. Contact: Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000, or Marilee Frame, 733-3835.

Visalia Republican Women's Federated - First Monday every other month. Next meeting November. Contact Marilee Frame, Pres., 733-3835, or Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000.



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September 12, 1986

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Re: MUR 2230

Dear Ms. Schwafel:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which alleges that you and the San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates 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 2230. 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 you and the San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates 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.

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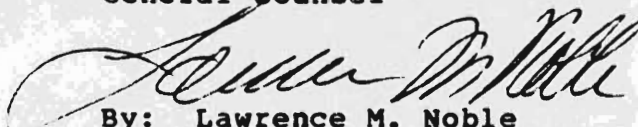
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If you have any questions, please contact Maura Callaway, the staff person assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-3024. For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedure for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel



By: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

September 12, 1986

Ernest Mobley, Chair
San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates
422 N. Fulton
Fresno, CA 93701

Re: MUR 2230

Dear Mr. Mobley:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which alleges that you and the San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates 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 2230. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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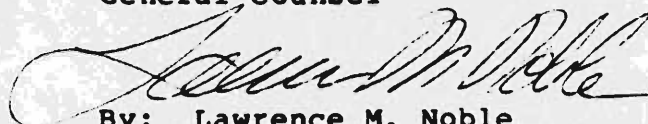
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

September 12, 1986

Betty Smith, State Chair
California Democratic Party
500 Sutter Street, #405
San Francisco, CA 94102

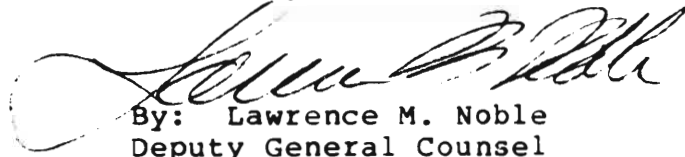
Dear Ms. Smith:

This letter will acknowledge receipt of a complaint filed by you which we received on September 2, 1986, alleging possible violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), by the San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and Mr. Ernest Mobley as Chair, and Ms. Jean Schwafel as Executive Director. 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 the 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 2230. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence. If you have any questions, please contact Retha Dixon at (202) 376-3110.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel


By: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

Enclosure

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 1, 1986

Marilee Frame, Chairman
San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates
442 N. Fulton
Fresno, CA 93701

Re: MUR 2230

Dear Ms. Frame:

Pursuant to your telephone conversation of October 1, 1986, with Maura White Callaway of this office, enclosed are copies of the notification letters and complaint mailed to San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its Chairman and Executive Director on September 12, 1986. Your response to the complaint's allegations must be submitted within 15 days of your receipt of this letter. Please note that you, as Chairman, are a respondent in this matter, as is the individual presently holding the position of Executive Director.

If you have any questions please contact Maura White Callaway, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-5690.

Sincerely,


Lois G. Lerner
Assistant General Counsel

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

MEMORANDUM TO: CHARLES N. STEELE
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM: *MWE* MARJORIE W. EMMONS/CHERYL A. FLEMING *CAF*

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 1986

SUBJECT: MUR 2230 -FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT
SIGNED OCTOBER 8, 1986

The above-captioned matter was received in the Office of the Secretary of the Commission Wednesday, October 8, 1986 at 12:19 P.M and circulated to the Commission on a 24-hour no-objection basis Wednesday, October 8, 1986 at 4:00 P.M.

There were no objections received in the Office of the Secretary of the Commission to the First General Counsel's Report at the time of the deadline.

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**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

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Date and Time of Transmittal by
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MUR 2230
Date Complaint
Received 9-2-86
Date of Notification
9-12-86
Staff Maura White
Callaway

COMPLAINANT'S NAME: California Democratic Party
RESPONDENTS' NAMES: San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates
and its Chairman and Executive Director
RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a)
INTERNAL REPORTS
CHECKED: Public Records
FEDERAL AGENCIES
CHECKED: None

GENERATION OF MATTER

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FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

(A) The Facts

The complaint alleges that Republican Associates constitutes a "political committee" under the Act which "has violated numerous provisions of law and regulations," as follows:

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- 1) 11 C.F.R. § 102.1 - failure to register as a political committee;
 - 2) 11 C.F.R. § 102.2 - failure to file a statement of organization;
 - 3) 11 C.F.R. § 102.7 - failure to have a treasurer while accepting contributions and making expenditures;
 - 4) 11 C.F.R. § 102.16 &
11 C.F.R. § 110.11 - failure to comply with the required disclaimer and notification provisions on solicitation
 - 5) 11 C.F.R. § 110.9 - accepting contributions greater than the limitations;
 - 6) 11 C.F.R. § 104 - failure to report contributions and expenditures;
 - 7) 11 C.F.R. § 102 - failure to maintain proper records of contributions and expenditures;
 - 8) 11 C.F.R. § 114 - accepting prohibited contributions;
 - 9) 11 C.F.R. § 104.7 - failure to make best efforts to obtain, maintain, and submit required information.

Relying on a news article in the October 25, 1985, edition of the Fresno Bee, the complainant asserts that Republican Associates was organized in August 1985 and as of October 25, 1985, had already collected contributions from 150 people. The complainant asserts that "[f]rom the attached article, it is clear that the organizers of this group fully intend to be and, indeed, are involved in campaign activities." Referring to a

press conference discussed in the news article the complainant notes that one organizer of Republican Associates "is quoted as having stated that Republican Associates 'will gather and disperse political information for valley campaigns,' and he spoke about targeting specific candidates." The complainant also notes that the organizer "is quoted as having said that 'when the Party gets a candidate against Coelho, we will have information very damaging to Coelho.'" The complainant further supports its allegations by providing a copy of the monthly publication of Republican Associates entitled Republican Spoken Here, and by asserting that Republican Associates has been raising funds by both telephone and direct mail for the defeat of Democratic candidates.

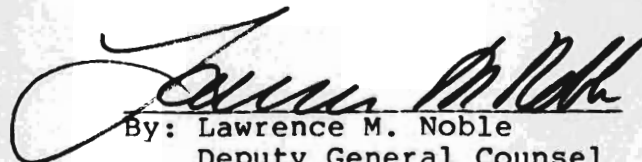
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Subsequent to receipt of the respondents' replies to the complaint this office will submit a report to the Commission containing specific recommendations.

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

10/8/86
Date


By: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

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October 14, 1986

Federal Elections Commission
999 East Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Attention: Lois G. Lerner
Assistant General Counsel

Re: San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates
MUR 2230

Dear Ms. Lerner:

Your letter of October 1, 1986, enclosing the complaint filed by the California Democratic Party State Chair was received by the above-named respondent on October 3, 1986. Enclosed is a Statement of Designation of Counsel for the respondent in this matter.

Before addressing the details of the complaint, the following background information about the San Joaquin Republican Associates (SJVRA) is offered. SJVRA was incorporated May 3, 1985, as a California non-profit, mutual benefit corporation. Because of certain technicalities regarding California securities laws, SJVRA is a non-member corporation for purposes of California corporate law. However, its supporters are given many "membership" benefits such as a free subscription to SJVRA's newsletter, and preferences when it comes to attendance at SJVRA functions.

For a period of time following its initial organization, SJVRA had a part-time executive director. That person resigned that office effective January 6, 1986, and no person has been appointed in her place.

Enclosed for your review is a copy of the Articles of Incorporation of SJVRA. I direct your attention to Article 2, the purposes of the organization, and particularly the prohibitions contained in Article 2(C). Specifically,

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the organization does not endorse or oppose any candidate, nor make contributions to any candidate, for any office.

It should be noted that the two Republican associates organizations identified in the complaint as having filed with the FEC differ from SJVRA in the material respect that it is our understanding those organizations do make financial contributions to candidates.

SJVRA maintains subscriptions or is donated certain selected newspapers which report on political events affecting the San Joaquin Valley. It catalogs the pertinent articles and stores them in file cabinets so that interested parties may conduct their own research on those issues. SJVRA also desires, at a later date, to provide a library of information on how to become a candidate and books and articles related to campaigning for office. SJVRA does not charge for making its political library available to individuals. The only requirement is that the individual be a registered Republican.

To date, only a few individuals interested in running for local office have made use of SJVRA's library. No candidate for federal or state office has used our facilities, though it is our policy that the facilities are available to federal and state candidates on the same basis as it is made available to all registered Republicans.

SJVRA also holds luncheons on a quarterly basis where Republican personalities, including federal, state or local officeholders and candidates, are invited to speak. To date, no candidate for federal office has been a luncheon speaker, but it is SJVRA's policy to invite such federal candidates and officeholders on the same basis as other Republican personalities.

SJVRA has also been involved in sponsoring a political training workshop for individuals who desire to become involved in campaign politics. The one workshop which has been held required that the attendees pay a tuition to cover the cost of the program.

Finally, SJVRA publishes a newsletter which is devoted to a discussion of political issues, events and personalities. We will be happy to forward you a copy of all the newsletters published to date, without the need for formal subpoena. The newsletter is distributed to

SJVRA supporters, to newsletter subscribers, and to individuals who express an interest in learning more about SJVRA.

The background set forth above should assist in demonstrating why SJVRA has not registered with the FEC, and why SJVRA takes the position that the FEC has no jurisdiction over it. The reason is that SJVRA is not a political committee because it makes no contributions or expenditures and receives no contributions whose purpose is to directly affect an election of an individual for federal office. The legal authority in support of SJVRA's position is as follows:

To be a "political committee" under the Federal Elections Campaign Act (the "Act"), an organization such as SJVRA must either receive "contributions" in excess of \$1,000, or make "expenditures" in excess of \$1,000, during any calendar year. (11 C.F.R. 100.5).

The term "expenditure" is defined under the Regulations to include, in pertinent part, a gift of anything of value made for the purpose of influencing any election to federal office. (11 C.F.R. 100.8(a)).

Neither the library, the workshop, nor the luncheons sponsored by SJVRA qualify as "expenditures." For, under the Regulations at 11 C.F.R. 100.8(a)(iv), "anything of value" includes "in kind contributions" only to the extent those items are provided at a charge "less than the usual and normal charge for such goods and services." The usual and normal charge for the library is the cost charged for library services at a free public library since SJVRA merely collects and catalogs the newspaper clippings and other books and articles. It does not perform the research services for any individuals.

The attendees at the workshop and luncheons are charged an amount to cover the direct cost of those events, plus a small return to SJVRA. Therefore, there is nothing provided by SJVRA in conjunction with the library, workshops or luncheons which is provided below the "usual and normal charge" for such goods and services.

Regarding the newsletter, there are two exemptions contained at 11 C.F.R. 100.8 which apply to prevent the costs associated with the distribution of the newsletter

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from qualifying as an "expenditure." First, under 11 C.F.R. 100.8(b)(2), the costs of a periodical is not an expenditure unless the periodical is owned or controlled by a political party, political committee, or candidate. Whether an organization is a political committee cannot, therefore, hinge solely upon the publication of a periodical, otherwise the exemption contained at 11 C.F.R. 100.8(b)(2) would be of no benefit.

The courts have required a two-part review process before the FEC takes action against a news organization. The first part of the review is limited to determining the jurisdiction of the FEC over the entity's activities. Reader's Digest Association vs. FEC, 509 F. Supp. 1210, 1214 (S.D.N.Y. 1981). Thus, the determination of the existence of a political committee must be made independently of and prior to a determination that the cost associated with carrying news, editorial or commentary are expenditures.

The Regulations at 11 C.F.R. 100.8(b)(4) also exempt costs incurred by an organization in communicating with its members so long as the organization's primary purpose is not to influence the election of any individual to federal office. While SJVRA is a mutual benefit corporation without members under California corporate law, the benefits given to supporters of SJVRA does qualify its supporters as "members" for purposes of the Federal Elections Campaign Act.

Finally, and most fundamentally, none of the activities of SJVRA have as their express purpose the advocacy of the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate.

The Supreme Court, in order to insure that the Act does not violate the constitutional protections contained in the First Amendment, has construed the definition of "expenditure" to be limited to funds used for communications which expressly advocate the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate. Buckley vs. Valeo, 96 S. Ct. 612, 664 (1976); FEC vs. Machinist Non-Partisan Political League, 655 F. 2d 380, 391 (D.C.D.C. 1981). The promotion of Republican philosophy and personalities as conducted by SJVRA are not expenditures and therefore are not activities covered by the Act.

The final issue is whether the donations which SJVRA receives are "contributions" for purposes of the Act. The term "contribution" is defined, in pertinent

part, as a gift of anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. The courts have rejected an interpretation of this regulation which requires a consideration of the objectives of the donors. FEC vs. California Medical Association, 502 F. Supp. 196, 202 (N.D. Cal. 1980). Instead, the focus is placed on the activities of the organization.

In this case, the organization makes no contributions or expenditures to influence the outcome of any individual candidate's campaign for federal office. Therefore, the donations received by SJVRA are not contributions under the terms of the Act.

"It is well established that the thrust of FECA is to regulate contributions and expenditures made for the relatively narrow purpose of influencing federal elections and that does reach activities designed more broadly to promote the discussion of political issues." FEC vs. Cal. Medical Association, supra, 502 F. Supp. at 201; citing Buckley vs. Valeo, supra, 96 S. Ct. at 663-664, and United States vs. National Committee for Impeachment, 469 F. 2d 1135, 1140 (2d Cir. 1972).

Regarding the complaint's allegations of telephone solicitors referring to individual candidates, we are currently conducting an investigation as to this matter. We have no evidence that such methods have been used, and they were never recommended by SJVRA. We are taking additional steps to insure that such methods are not used by any individual acting on behalf of SJVRA.

I hope that the background information and legal discussion provided above assists the Commission in reaching a determination that there is no reason to believe a violation of the Act has occurred.

Respectfully submitted,
McCORMICK, BARSTOW, SHEPPARD,
WAYTE & CARRUTH


J. Miles Reid

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Enclosure

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

NR 2230

NAME OF COUNSEL: J. Miles Reid

ADDRESS: McCormick, Barstow, et al.

1331 Fulton Mall

Fresno, CA 93721

TELEPHONE: (209) 442-1150

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.

San Joaquin Valley Republican
Associates, a California corporation

Oct 7, 1986
Date

By *Marilee Frame*
Signature Chairman

RESPONDENT'S NAME: San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates

ADDRESS: 442 North Fulton

Fresno, CA 93701

HOME PHONE:

BUSINESS PHONE:

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In the office of the Secretary of State
of the State of California

MAY 3 1985

MARCH FONG EU, Secretary of State

By **BILL HOLDEN**
Deputy

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES

I. NAME

The name of the corporation is San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates.

II. PURPOSE

(A) This corporation is a nonprofit mutual
benefit corporation organized under the Nonprofit Mutual
Benefit Corporation Law. The purpose of this corporation is
to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a
corporation may be organized under such law.

(B) The specific purpose of this corporation is
to help elect more Republicans to office by enhancing
significantly the visibility of the Republican Party,
Republican ideas, Republican thought and Republican
personalities within the San Joaquin Valley of California.

(C) The purpose of this corporation is limited as
follows: the corporation is prohibited from endorsing or
opposing any candidate for any office; and is further

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prohibited from making any cash financial contribution to any candidate or any candidate's committee for any office; and is further prohibited from passing any resolution in support of or in opposition to any legislative act, initiative, referendum, constitutional amendment or political, social or economic event whatsoever.

III. INITIAL AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

The name of the Corporation's initial agent for service of process is Jeff Reid, 1331 Fulton Mall, Fresno, California 93779.

IV. MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall have no members.

V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(A) The Board of Directors of the corporation shall consist of nine persons.

(B) The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the corporation.

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(C) The Board of Directors shall appoint the officers of the corporation and shall have the power to suspend or remove any officer of the corporation without cause.

(D) The Board of Directors may adopt, amend or delete Bylaws of the corporation by a majority vote of not less than six members.

(E) All other actions taken by the Board of Directors shall require a majority vote.

(F) The Board of Directors is authorized to transact any and all business and to take votes by telephone and/or written communication.

(G) The names and addresses of the persons appointed as the initial Directors of the corporation are:

1. Earl Smittcamp, 8054 North Minnewawa, Clovis, California 93612
2. Ernest Mobley, 16023 East Belmont, Sanger, California 93657
3. Gordon Kennedy, 12275 Road 26, Madera, California 93637
4. Edward Bates, P. O. Box 294, Coarsegold, California 93614

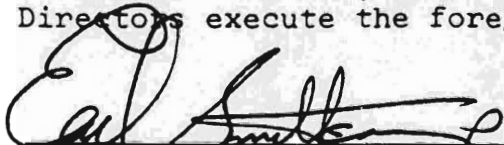
5. Lorna Sloan, 825 East Fedora, Fresno, California 93704
6. Ginger Jarvis, 1207 South Fairway, Visalia, California 93277
7. David Marshall, 2821 East Warner, Fresno, California 93710
8. Marilee Frame, 4023 West Damsen, Visalia, California 93291
9. Loretta Montgomery, 7696 East Grangeville, Hanford, California 93230

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(H) The term of office for Director Number One (Smittcamp or his replacement) and the term for Director Number Two (Mobley or his replacement) and the term of office for Director Number Three (Kennedy or his replacement) shall expire at the time of the annual Board of Director's meeting in 1988. The term of office for Director Number Four (Bates or his replacement) and the term of Director Number Five (Sloan or her replacement) and the term of Director Number Six (Jarvis or her replacement) shall expire at the time of the annual Board of Director's meeting in 1989. The term of office of Director Number Seven (Marshall or his replacement) and the term of office for Director Number Eight (Frame or her replacement) and the term of office for Director Number Nine (Montgomery or her replacement) shall expire at the time of the annual Board of Director's meeting in 1990.

(I) The Board of Directors at their annual meeting shall elect new Directors to fill the vacancies created by the expiring terms and all newly-elected Directors shall then serve full five-year terms of office unless a vacancy is created because of death, removal or resignation. The remaining members of the Board of Directors shall within thirty days fill any vacancy on the Board of Directors which occurs for reasons other than expiration of the term of office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporators and First Directors execute the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.


Earl Smittcamp, Director

4-24-85

Date


Ernest Mobley, Director

4-26-85

Date


J. Gordon Kennedy, Director

4-24-85

Date


Edward Bates, Director

4-26-85

Date


Lorna Sloan, Director

4-25-85

Date


Ginger Jarvis, Director

4-26-85

Date

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David Marshall
David Marshall, Director

4-25-85
Date

Marilee Frame
Marilee Frame, Director

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Date

Loretta Montgomery
Loretta Montgomery, Director

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Date

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John D. Hix
Witness

State of California)
County of Fresno) ss.

On this 30th day of April, in the year 1985, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared John Hix, personally known to me (or proved to me on the oath/affirmation of a credible witness, whom I know personally) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument as witness thereto, and who swore or affirmed before me that he personally knows Earl Smittcamp, Ernest Mobley, J. Gordon Kennedy, Edward Bates, Lorna Sloan, Ginger Jarvis, David Marshall, Marilee Frame and Loretta Montgomery to be the individuals whose names are subscribed to the within instrument as principal and witnessed those individuals sign the same and acknowledge signing it freely for the purposes therein contained.



Shirley Dianne Holmes



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

MEMORANDUM TO: CHARLES N. STEELE
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM: *mws* MARJORIE W. EMMONS/ JOSHUA MCFADDEN *JM*

DATE: FEBRUARY 3, 1987

SUBJECT: OBJECTIONS TO MUR 2230 - GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT
SIGNED JANUARY 28, 1987

The above-captioned document was circulated to the
Commission on Thursday, January 29, 1987 at 4:00.

Objections have been received from the Commissioners
as indicated by the name(s) checked:

Commissioner Aikens	<u>X</u>
Commissioner Elliott	<u>X</u>
Commissioner Josefiak	<u>X</u>
Commissioner McDonald	<u></u>
Commissioner McGarry	<u>X</u>
Commissioner Thomas	<u></u>

This matter will be placed on the Executive Session
agenda for February 18, 1987.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates; Marilee Frame,)
Chairman)

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GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

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of the respondents' replies to the complaint, this office would submit a report to the Commission containing specific recommendations. On October 15, 1986, a response was submitted on behalf of Republican Associates and its Chairman (Attachment 2).

FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

(A) The Facts

1. The Complaint

The complaint alleges that Republican Associates constitutes a "political committee" under the Act which "has violated numerous provisions of law and regulations," as follows:

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| 1) | 11 C.F.R. § 102.1 | - | failure to register as a political committee; |
| 2) | 11 C.F.R. § 102.2 | - | failure to file a statement of organization; |
| 3) | 11 C.F.R. § 102.7 | - | failure to have a treasurer while accepting contributions and making expenditures; |
| 4) | 11 C.F.R. § 102.16 &
11 C.F.R. § 110.11 | - | failure to comply with the required disclaimer and notification provisions on solicitations; |
| 5) | 11 C.F.R. § 110.9 | - | accepting contributions greater than the limitations; |
| 6) | 11 C.F.R. § 104 | - | failure to report contributions and expenditures; |
| 7) | 11 C.F.R. § 102 | - | failure to maintain proper records of contributions and expenditures; |

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- 8) 11 C.F.R. § 114 - accepting prohibited contributions;
- 9) 11 C.F.R. § 104.7 - failure to make best efforts to obtain, maintain, and submit required information.

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Relying on a news article in the October 25, 1985, edition of the Fresno Bee, the complainant asserts that Republican Associates was organized in August 1985 and as of October 25, 1985, had already collected contributions from 150 people. The complainant asserts that "[f]rom the attached article, it is clear that the organizers of this group fully intend to be and, indeed, are involved in campaign activities." Referring to a press conference discussed in the news article the complainant notes that one organizer of Republican Associates "is quoted as having stated that Republican Associates 'will gather and disperse political information for valley campaigns,' and he spoke about targeting specific candidates." The complainant also notes that the organizer "said that 'when the Party gets a candidate against Coelho, we will have information very damaging to Coelho.'" The complainant further supports its allegations by providing a copy of the monthly communication of Republican Associates entitled "Republican Spoken Here, and by asserting that Republican Associates has been raising funds by both telephone and direct mail for the defeat of Democratic candidates.

Volume 1, No. 1 of "Republican Spoken Here, dated September, 1985, is divided into numerous subject matters with special emphasis on "U.S. Senate Race Update." The update

commences with the language: "Dear to the hearts of most Republicans is the replacement of Democrat U.S. Senator Alan Cranston," and continues on to identify and provide selected background information on 11 announced and prospective republican candidates. Whereas the majority of the individuals' descriptions are from a biographical perspective, the publication refers to one of the individuals as "[e]loquent, articulate and conservative," and states that "[o]rganizational and financial support must now be generated for a viable campaign." The update concludes with this language:

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The final comment, however, is perhaps the most important of all - the Republican Party must not take for granted the defeat of Alan Cranston. Despite the tarnishing of his image in 1984, despite his age and gaunt appearance (one politico described Cranston as looking two weeks past dead), Alan Cranston is a vigorous, active man who is not short on political savvy and he has proved more than once that he is not an easy opponent and he is a U.S. Senator and the power of incumbency is not to be underestimated. Let us then work for the primary candidate of our choice, but after the primary, let us also unite in common purpose to elect one more Republican Senator from the State of California (emphasis added).

Pages 2 and 3 of the communication list both the republican and democratic legislators in San Joaquin Valley and include information on state political races ("Rose Bird and the Supreme Court," "Further Political Updates," and "Fresno County Sherrif's Race"). A discussion of certain federal election campaigns occurs under the heading "Democratic Chameleons" which states in

pertinent part:

The ability to take on protective coloration as does the chameleon has been instrumental in the elective success of the Democratic candidates. Coelho, Lehman, Costa, Bronzan and others seem to have purposefully learned to mouth the proper conservative words when at home in the district, yet have consistently voted for the same discredited liberal programs of the past while supporting the state and national policies advocated by Jerry Brown and Walter Mondale. This, of course, has been frustrating to the Republican Party as the Valley most often votes for Republican candidates for Governor and President.

The solution lies in making the public aware of the specific votes of these Democratic legislators which are opposed to the feelings and interests of the constituents. Republican Associates through the R/A newsletter will furnish that information. We have begun with this issue (see Vote Ratings and Attendance). In coming issues we shall cover state legislators and votes on specific bills. Your support makes this information program possible and will contribute to future Republican success in our Valley (emphasis added).

According to the heading "Campaign Support School" on page 3 of the communication Republican Associates "in conjunction with the Republican Party, local Republican candidates and the Federation of Republican Women" sponsored a Campaign Support School on October 12, 1985. The communication states that the school was coordinated by the Executive Director of Republican Associates, and promises that Republican Associates "will continue to innovate and support this type of foundational support for our party and its candidates."

The fourth page of the communication is devoted to a combined statement of purpose and solicitation for donations/contributions.

Republican Associates is described as offering a permanent information repository and resource center which "functions as both a clearing house and communications arm for the benefit of all Republican organizations and interested individuals."

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Funding "is provided by supporters who contribute in the interest of Republican Party unity and long range development." According to the description, Republican Associates is "a private, non-profit corporation governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees" which employs a full time Executive Director "to coordinate day-to-day activities and utilizes the services of a professional consulting firm to develop and monitor R/A programs and activities." It is noted that "[i]n addition to this Newsletter, R/A maintains an Information Center and Research Library and provides Candidate Encouragement and Assistance. We sponsor Republican Speakers and Campaign Workshops and Seminars and Courses in Practical Politics. And we offer a common meeting ground for interested, dedicated Republicans in our valley." The communication expressly states that Republican Associates "does not: (1) select or endorse candidates; (2) finance or solicit contributions for candidates or political committees; or (3) initiate, endorse or contribute to political legislation or causes." The communication asserts that Republican Associates' "unique job is as an information resource tool - to publicize and popularize the Republican Party, its principles and its candidates - and to also make public the Democratic record with facts and figures instead of rhetoric."

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The solicitation portion of the communication states eight reasons why participation in Republican Associates is important, including: to "support a permanent organization that is devoted to getting more Republicans interested and involved in politics"; to "help elect more Republicans to all levels of public office"; and, to "assist an organization whose sole interest is the Republican Party and not political personalities." The donor information form provides for "contributions," rather than dues or fees, notes that "[p]olitical contributions to Republican Associates up to \$100 per person may be taken as a deduction on your personal State Income Tax," and states that corporate contributions are welcome. Four levels of annual contribution are listed as follows: Patron (\$1,000), Sponsor (\$250), Sustaining Sponsor (\$500) and Associate (\$100).

The final pages of "Republican" Spoken Here are devoted to a Calendar of Events in eight counties and selected congressional vote ratings and attendance for three Congressman representing San Joaquin Valley, Tony Coelho (Democrat), Chip Pashayan (Republican), and Rick Lehman (Democrat). The ratings are purported to represent the "particular organization's [Congressional Quarterly, ADA, AFL-CIO, CCUS and ACA-RI] interpretation of the philosophical leanings of the Congressman as it relates to legislation of interest as identified by the organization."

2. Response to the Complaint

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The response submitted by Republican Associates and its Chairman provides the information that Republican Associates was incorporated on May 3, 1985, as a California non-profit mutual benefit corporation. The response states that "because of certain technicalities regarding California securities law Republican Associates is a non-member corporation for purposes of California corporate law, but that its supporters are given many "membership" benefits such as a free subscription to the newsletter and preferences when it comes to attendance at functions of Republican Associates. It is submitted that the part-time Executive Director resigned on January 6, 1986, and the position is currently vacant.

Appended to the response and referenced therein is a copy of the Articles of Incorporation for Republican Associates. The response emphasizes that Article II (C) specifically states that the corporation is prohibited from endorsing or opposing any candidate, and from making cash financial contributions to any candidate for any office.^{1/} The described purpose of Republican Associates in Article II is to "help elect more Republicans to office by enhancing significantly the visibility of the Republican Party, Republican ideas, Republican thought and Republican personalities within the San Joaquin Valley of

^{1/} This article also states that the corporation is prohibited from passing any resolution in support of, or in opposition to, any legislative act, initiative, referendum, constitutional amendment or political, social, or economic event whatsoever.

California." Article IV of the Articles of Incorporation states that the "corporation shall have no members." Article V provides that a nine person Board of Directors shall: manage the affairs of the corporation; appoint the officers and have the power to suspend or remove any officer without cause; and, adopt, amend or delete the Bylaws of the corporation by a majority vote of not less than six members.

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In explanation of why the Commission has "no jurisdiction" in this matter, the response describes the various functions of Republican Associates. According to the response, Republican Associates "maintains subscriptions or is donated certain selected newspapers which report on political events affecting the San Joaquin Valley," and then "catalogs the pertinent articles and stores them in file cabinets so that interested parties may conduct their own research on those issues."^{2/} Republican Associates does not charge for making its political library available to individuals, but it is required that the individual be a registered republican. It is noted that, to date, only a few individuals interested in running for local office have used the library, and that "[n]o candidate for federal office or state office has used our facilities, though it is our policy that the facilities are available to federal and state candidates on the same basis as it is made available to all registered Republicans."

^{2/} At a later date Republican Associates desires to "provide a library of information on how to become a candidate and books and records related to campaigning for office."

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Additional activities of Republican Associates include the sponsorship of political training workshops for individuals who desire to become involved in campaign politics^{3/}, and luncheons held on a quarterly basis where "Republican personalities, including federal, state or local office holders and candidates, are invited to speak." According to the response, no candidate for federal office has been a luncheon speaker, but it is policy to invite such federal candidates and officeholders on the same basis as other republican personalities. The final activity of Republican Associates addressed in its response is its monthly communication which it claims "is devoted to a discussion of political issues, events and personalities." The response states that the communication is distributed to "supporters" of Republican Associates, to "subscribers, and to individuals who express an interest in learning more about" Republican Associates.

Relying upon the above background information provided in its response Republican Associates asserts that it "is not a political committee because it makes no contributions or expenditures and receives no contributions whose purpose is to directly affect an election of an individual for federal office." The response argues that neither the library, the workshop, nor the luncheons sponsored by Republican Associates qualify as "expenditures" under the Act. The response contends that the

^{3/} Only one workshop was held and it was required that the attendees pay tuition to cover the cost of the program.

"usual and normal charge for the library is the cost charged for library services at a free public library since [Republican Associates] merely collects and catalogs the newspaper clippings and other books and articles. It does not perform the research services for any individuals." It is further argued that the "attendees at the workshop and luncheons are charged an amount to cover the direct cost of those events, plus a small return to [Republican Associates]" and, therefore, there is nothing in conjunction with the library, workshops, or luncheons "which is provided below the 'usual and normal charge' for such goods and services."

As to the communication "Republican" Spoken Here discussed on pages 3-7 supra, the response maintains that "there are two exemptions contained at 11 C.F.R. 100.8 which apply to prevent the costs associated with the distribution of the newsletter from qualifying as an 'expenditure.'" The first argument put forth is that "under 11 C.F.R. 100.8(b)(2) the costs of a periodical is not an expenditure unless the periodical is owned or controlled by a political party, political committee, or candidate" and, thus, "[w]hether an organization is a political committee cannot, therefore, hinge solely upon the publication of a periodical, otherwise the exemption contained at 11 C.F.R. 100.8(b)(2) would be of no benefit." Referring to Reader's Digest Association vs. FEC, 509 F. Supp. 1210 (S.D.N.Y. 1981) the response concludes that the "determination of the existence of a political committee must be made independently of and prior to a determination that

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the cost associated with carrying news, editorial or commentary are expenditures." The second argument raised is that 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(4) exempts costs incurred by an organization in communicating with its members, and that "[w]hile [Republican Associates] is a mutual benefit corporation without members under California corporate law, the benefits given to supporters of [Republican Associates] does qualify its supporters as 'members' for purposes" of the Act.

Two additional arguments are made by the respondents as to why they did not violate the Act. First, the respondents emphasize that none of their activities "have as their express purpose the advocacy of the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate," and, therefore, the promotion of republican philosophy and personalities as conducted by Republican Associates are not "expenditures," and not covered by the Act. Second, the respondents contend that because Republican Associates purportedly "makes no contributions or expenditures to influence the outcome of any individual candidate's campaign for federal office," the donations it receives are not contributions under the Act.

Regarding the complaint's allegation of telephone solicitors referring to individual candidates (see page 3 supra), the response states that an investigation into the allegation is underway. The respondents submit that they "have no evidence that such methods have been used" and contend that such methods "were never recommended" by Republican Associates. This office

notes that Republican Associates did not address the allegation that it raised funds for the defeat of democratic candidates by direct mail.

(B) The Applicable Law

1. Provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act") alleged to have been violated.

A political committee is required to file a statement of organization within 10 days after becoming, or being established as, a political committee under the Act. See 2 U.S.C. § 433 and 11 C.F.R. §§ 102.1 and 102.2.

Every political committee shall have a treasurer and no contribution or expenditure shall be accepted or made by or on behalf of a political committee during a period in which the office of treasurer is vacant. See 2 U.S.C. § 432(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 102.7.

A political committee is required to maintain accounts and records of contributions and disbursements. See 2 U.S.C. § 432(b) and (c) and 11 C.F.R. § 102.9.

When the treasurer of a political committee shows that best efforts have been used to obtain, maintain, and submit the information required by the Act for the political committee, any report or any records of such committee shall be considered in compliance with this Act. See 2 U.S.C. § 432(i) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.7(a).

A political committee is required to file periodic reports of receipts and disbursements. See 2 U.S.C. § 434 and 11 C.F.R. § 104.

No political committee or officer or employee of a political committee shall knowingly accept a contribution in excess of the limitations imposed on contributions under 2 U.S.C. § 441a. See 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.9.

It is unlawful for a political committee to accept or receive knowingly a contribution from a corporation or labor organization. See 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.

Whenever any person makes an expenditure for the purpose of financing communications expressly advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate, or solicits any contribution through any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising facility, poster, yard sign, direct mailing, or any other form of general public political advertising such communication shall contain the information required by 2 U.S.C. § 441d(a)(1), (2), or (3). See 2 U.S.C. § 441d and 11 C.F.R. § 102.16 and § 110.11.

2. Other applicable provisions

Pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a), it is unlawful for a corporation to make a contribution or expenditure in connection with a federal election. The term "contribution or expenditure" is defined at 2 U.S.C. § 441b(b)(2) to include any direct or indirect payment, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money, or any services, or anything of value to any candidate, campaign committee, or political party or organization, in connection with any election to any of the offices referred to in this section.

As set forth at 11 C.F.R. § 114.12(a) a political committee may incorporate if it does so for liability purposes only.

The term "expenditure" is defined at 2 U.S.C. § 431(9)(B)(i) and 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(2) to exclude any news story, commentary, or editorial distributed through the facilities of any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine, or other periodical publication, unless such facilities are owned or controlled by any political party, political committee, or candidate, in which case the cost for a news story (i) which represents a bona fide news account communicated in a publication of general circulation or on a licensed broadcasting facility; and (ii) which is part of a general pattern of campaign related news accounts which give reasonably equal coverage to all opposing candidates in the circulation or listening area is not an expenditure.

(C) Application of the Law to the Facts

The record in this matter demonstrates that Republican Associates is a non-profit corporation registered with the State of California. Republican Associates has not registered as a political committee with either the State of California or the Commission, and does not hold itself out to the public as a "political committee" or claim to be a "political committee" which has incorporated solely for liability purposes.

Although Republican Associates is incorporated under California state law, it is unlike most incorporated entities which are engaged primarily in activities unrelated to the election of candidates. Republican Associates is distinguished

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by its acknowledged principal purpose -- the election of more republicans to office. It is this purpose in conjunction with its election related activities which gives rise to the view that Republican Associates should be considered a "political committee" under the Act.

The Supreme Court's recent decision in Federal Election Commission v. Massachusetts Citizens for Life, Inc.

("FEC v. MCFL"), 55 U.S.L.W. 4067 (U.S. December 15, 1986)^{4/} supports the position that Republican Associates is a political committee. The Court found that MCFL "was formed for the express purpose of promoting political ideas." FEC v. MCFL, 55 U.S.L.W. 4067, 4074. Republican Associates, however, was formed for the express purpose of advocating the election of republicans to office.^{5/} The activities of MCFL conform with its

^{4/} MCFL is a nonprofit, nonstock corporation, which in September 1978 prepared and distributed a "Special Election Edition" flyer exhorting readers to vote "pro-life" in the upcoming primary election in Massachusetts, listing the candidates for each state and federal office in Massachusetts, and identifying each one as either supporting or opposing MCFL's views. The Court held that MCFL's flyer is not entitled to the Act's press exemption and violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b. The Court also held that 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) is unconstitutional as applied to MCFL. The Court stated that the concern underlying the regulation of corporate political activity was absent with regard to small non-profit corporations formed to disseminate ideas, not to amass capital, and which did not accept any funds from profit-making corporations.

^{5/} The Supreme Court noted that MCFL's purpose, as stated in its articles of incorporation, was "To foster respect for human life and to defend the right to life of all human beings, born and unborn, through educational, political and other forms of activities and in addition to engage in any other lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized. . . ." FEC v. MCFL, 55 U.S.L.W. 4067, 4068.

stated purpose except for the limited campaign activity before the Court. Significantly, the Court emphasized that "should MCFL's independent spending become so extensive that the organization's major purpose may be regarded as campaign activity, the corporation would be classified as a political committee (emphasis added)." FEC v. MCFL, 55 U.S.L.W. 4067, 4074.

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In the instant matter, the activities of Republican Associates conform with its declared purpose of helping to elect republicans to office. Certain of those activities, as set forth on pages 3-10 above, are related to federal candidates and elections, and are conducted for the purpose of influencing a federal election, in the view of this Office. Thus, the costs expended for the activities, particularly those related to the discussion of federal candidates in "Republican" Spoken Here, perhaps its luncheons, and any raising of funds for the defeat of democratic candidates (see pages 3, 12-13 supra), constitute "expenditures" under the Act which may also involve "express advocacy."^{6/} The fact that "Republican" Spoken Here is a monthly communication and that luncheons have been held on a quarterly

^{6/} It appears that certain activities of Republican Associates do not fall within the definition of "expenditure" (use of its research library by prospective state candidates, a political training workshop, and that portion of "Republican" Spoken Here devoted to state and local elections and legislative issues.)

basis since May 1985 suggests that more than \$1,000 was expended during 1985 alone for the purpose of influencing a federal election, thereby causing Republican Associates to become a political committee under the Act. Republican Associates' assertion that it does not support or endorse any specific candidate does not effect its status as a political committee. The determinative factor is whether Republican Associates expended in excess of \$1,000 during a calendar year for the purpose of influencing a federal election.

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The funds expended by Republican Associates for "Republican" Spoken Here are not exempt from the definition of expenditure because "Republican" Spoken Here is not a periodical publication or otherwise exempt under 2 U.S.C. § 431(9)(B)(i) or 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(2), in the view of this Office. The media exemption was first added to the Act in 1974 with little controversy or discussion. The House Report that accompanied the amendment stated that it was intended to reaffirm prior law by assuring "the unfettered right of the newspapers, TV networks and other media to cover and comment on political campaigns." H.R. Rep. No. 93-1239, 93d Cong. 2d Sess. 4 (1974); reprinted in FEC, Legislative History of the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1974, 638 (GPO 1977). The Commission subsequently interpreted "periodical publication," to mean "a publication in bound pamphlet form appearing at regular intervals . . . containing articles of news, information, opinion or entertainment, whether of general or specialized interest which

ordinarily derive their revenues from subscriptions and advertising." Explanation and Justification of 11 C.F.R. § 114.4(e), 44 Fed. Reg. 76,735 (1979). Although this regulation deals with the sponsorship of candidate debates, it was explicitly promulgated "in light of congressional acknowledgement of the media's role in election campaigns as expressed in 2 U.S.C. § 431(f)(4)(A) [now § 431(9)(B)(i)]." Id. at 76,734-76, 735.

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The Commission's regulations also specifically state that when the facilities of a periodical publication are owned or controlled by a political committee the exemption may be invoked only if the news story is a bona fide news account communicated in a publication of general circulation or on a licensed broadcasting facility, and the news story is part of a general pattern of campaign-related news accounts which give reasonably equal coverage to all opposing candidates in the circulation or listening area. See 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(2).

The monthly communication of Republican Associates, asserted to be a "periodical publication" by the respondents, is distributed to subscribers, as well as to "supporters" and other individuals "expressing an interest" in Republican Associates. It seems to be distributed to the latter two groups free of charge. Thus, the communication's revenue appears to be derived from supporters including corporations, and from "political contributions," rather than from subscriptions alone. In

addition, "Republican" Spoken Here does not contain articles constituting bona fide news accounts, and is not part of a pattern of campaign-related news accounts which give reasonably equal coverage to all opposing candidates. It is simply a communication dealing with the election of more republicans. These circumstances, plus the applicable statutory language and legislative history, all indicate that "Republican" Spoken Here does not fall within the exemption of 2 U.S.C. § 431(9)(B)(i).

As a political committee under the Act, Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, have failed to register and report as a political committee, in violation of 2 U.S.C. §§ 433 and 434. In addition, Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, have violated 2 U.S.C. § 441d(a) by failing to state on its solicitation contained in "Republican" Spoken Here that the solicitation was paid for by Republican Associates (see 11 C.F.R. § 110.11(a)(1)(iv)(A)), and have violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) by accepting corporate contributions. This Office believes that the message contained on Republican Associates' solicitation that "Corporate Contributions are welcome" provides a sufficient basis for finding that corporate contributions were accepted by Republican Associates.^{7/} Moreover, because Republican Associates does not consider itself to be a political committee under the Act, it appears likely that excessive contributions were accepted. Thus, it is the recommendation of this Office that the Commission find

^{7/} California state law permits the use of corporate and union contributions in state elections.

reason to believe Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f), and 441b(a).^{8/}

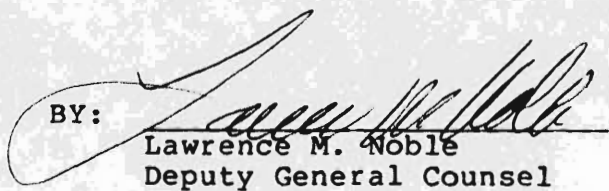
III. GENERAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Find reason to believe San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f), and 441b(a).
2. Approve the attached letter, questions, and request for documents.

Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

1/28/87
Date

BY:


Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

Attachments

1. Complaint
2. Response
3. Proposed letter, questions, and document request

^{8/} Appended to the proposed letter are questions pertaining to the reason to believe recommendations. Should further violations concerning Republican Associates' status as a political committee become apparent from the answers to the questions, this Office will make appropriate recommendations to the Commission.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates; Marilee Frame,)
Chairman)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the
Federal Election Commission executive session of
February 18, 1987, do hereby certify that the Commission
decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions
in MUR 2230:

1. Find reason to believe that the San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b for making certain expenditures, and find reason to believe that in the alternative the San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f), and 441b(a), the latter for receipt of corporate contributions.
2. Return the General Counsel's report dated January 28, 1987, for the drafting of appropriate letters and appropriate factual and legal analysis, and for the revision of the Interrogatories as discussed in the meeting.

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3. Direct the Office of General Counsel to circulate the redrafted materials to the Commission for approval.

Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, Josefiak, McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

2-20-87

Date

Marjorie W. Emmons

Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary of the Commission

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

MEMORANDUM

March 3, 1987

TO: The Commission

FROM: Charles N. Steele
General Counsel

BY: Lawrence M. Noble
Deputy General Counsel

SUBJECT: MUR 2230

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During Executive Session on February 18, 1987, the Commission found reason to believe that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441b(a), and 441a(f). The Commission also found in the alternative that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by making certain expenditures. At that time the Commission directed this Office to revise the proposed letter to counsel for San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates to reflect the alternative finding, and directed that questions be issued concerning the incorporated status of Republican Associates, its connection with the Republican Party, and its purported membership.

Attached for the Commission's approval are the revised letter and questions. Questions 2, 3, and 11-15 have been added in accordance with the Commission's determination.

Recommendation

1. Approve the attached letter and Questions and Request for Documents.

Attachments

- 1- Letter
- 2- Questions and Request for Documents

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

MEMORANDUM TO: CHARLES N. STEELE
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM: MARJORIE W. EMMONS/JOSHUA MCFADDEN *JM*

DATE: MARCH 6, 1987

SUBJECT: OBJECTION TO MUR 2230 - Memo. to the Commission
Dated March 3, 1987

The above-captioned document was circulated to the Commission on Wednesday, March 4, 1987 at 11:00 A.M.

Objections have been received from the Commissioners as indicated by the name(s) checked:

Commissioner Aikens	<u> X </u>
Commissioner Elliott	<u> </u>
Commissioner Josefiak	<u> </u>
Commissioner McDonald	<u> </u>
Commissioner McGarry	<u> </u>
Commissioner Thomas	<u> </u>

This matter will be placed on the Executive Session agenda for March 17, 1987.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates, and its treasurer,)
as treasurer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session of March 19, 1987, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 5-1 to approve the letter and the Questions and Request for Documents as recommended in the FEC General Counsel's report on MUR 2230, dated March 3, 1987.

Commissioners Elliott, Josefiak, McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision; Commissioner Aikens dissented.

Attest:

3-20-87

Date

Marjorie W. Emmons

Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary of the Commission

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON D.C. 20463

March 27, 1987

J. Miles Reid, Esquire
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Wayte and Carruth
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Fresno, CA 93779-4013

RE: MUR 2230
San Joaquin Valley Republican
Associates, and its treasurer,
as treasurer

Dear Mr. Reid:

The Federal Election Commission notified your clients on September 12, 1986, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint was forwarded to your clients at that time.

Upon further review of the allegations contained in the complaint and information supplied on behalf of your clients, the Commission, on February 18, 1987, determined that there is reason to believe San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441b(a), and 441a(f), provisions of the Act. Specifically, it appears that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates has failed to register and report as a political committee in violation of 2 U.S.C. §§ 433 and 434. In addition, it appears that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates failed to state on its solicitation in "Republican" Spoken Here that such solicitation was paid for by San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441d(a) (see 11 C.F.R. § 110.11(a)(1)(iv)(A)), accepted corporate contributions in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a), and accepted excessive contributions in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f). On February 18, 1987, the Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there is reason to believe San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Specifically, it appears that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, as a corporation, made certain expenditures in connection with federal elections, in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b.

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Your clients' response to the Commission's initial notification of this complaint did not provide complete information regarding the matter in question. Please submit answers to the enclosed questions, and the requested documents, within 15 days of receipt of this letter. Statements should be submitted under oath. You may also submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Please file such materials within 15 days of your receipt of this notification.

If you are interested in pursuing pre-probable cause conciliation, you should so request in writing. See 11 C.F.R. § 111.18(d). Upon receipt of the request, the Office of the General Counsel will make recommendations to the Commission either proposing an agreement in settlement of the matter or recommending declining that pre-probable cause conciliation be pursued. The Office of the General Counsel may recommend that pre-probable cause conciliation not be entered into at this time so that it may complete its investigation of the matter. Further, requests for pre-probable cause conciliation will not be entertained after briefs on probable cause have been mailed to the respondent.

Requests for extensions of time will not be routinely granted. Requests must be made in writing at least five days prior to the due date of the response and specific good cause must be demonstrated. In addition, the Office of the General Counsel is not authorized to give extensions beyond 20 days.

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 your clients wish the matter to be made public.

If you have any questions, please contact Maura White Callaway, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-5690.

Sincerely,



Scott E. Thomas
Chairman

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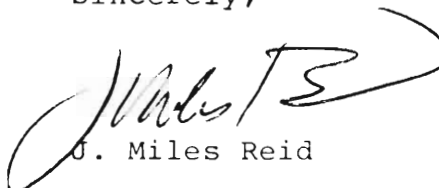
Re: San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates
MUR 2230

Dear Ms. Weissenborn:

Ms. Maura Calloway informed me that due to her impending maternity leave the above-described matter would be directed to you for further handling. On April 3, 1987, I received correspondence from Chairman Thomas, the first written contact we have received from your office since October 1, 1986, about the above matter. Included in his correspondence were questions and requests for documents which, including subparts, contained 36 requests. Those requests involve an all-inclusive inquiry into all facets of SJVRA's operations from its establishment to the present.

Because of the breadth of the requests and the need to review all responses with the Board of Directors of SJVRA, we find that we will be unable to respond to your request within the 15 days provided. We therefore respectfully request a 20-day extension in order to have sufficient time to locate and organize the requested information, and review the proposed responses with the Board. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. Please contact me by telephone once you have considered the above request.

Sincerely,


J. Miles Reid

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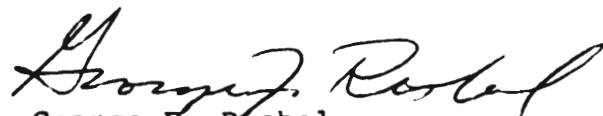
Re: MUR 2230
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Dear Mr. Reid:

This is in response to your letter dated April 6, 1987, which we received on April 7, 1987, requesting an extension of 20 days to respond to the questions and requests for documents sent to you by this Office. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, I have granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on May 7, 1987.

If you have any questions, please contact Delanie D. Painter, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-5690.

Sincerely,


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Attention: Delanie Painter

Re: San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates
MUR 2230

Dear Ms. Painter:

I was dismayed to receive your Chairman's letter of March 27, 1987, wherein he reports that the Commission has determined there is reason to believe that SJVRA has violated certain provisions of the FECA. This matter is particularly aggravating since the Commission has taken over six months to reach this finding. Throughout this period the FEC's open investigation continues to have a chilling effect on the activities of SJVRA. Furthermore, at no time has the FEC stated with any particularity the acts or activities which give rise to the FEC jurisdiction or the violations of the FECA.

I understand the difficult and novel issues regarding the categorization of, and the propriety of FEC jurisdiction over, the activities of SJVRA. The Commission's finding of "alternative" grounds for potential violations of the FECA illustrates this difficulty. This, along with recent legal developments, has undoubtedly contributed to the delay in resolving this matter.

In the interests of resolving this matter as quickly as possible, and in order to not expend the meager resources of SJVRA on legal costs and fees, the SJVRA Board hereby requests conciliation of this matter. My letter of October 14th and the enclosed Response to Questions

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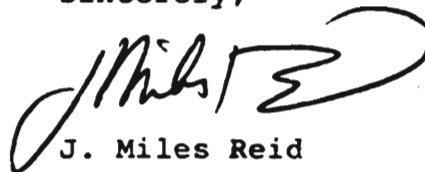
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and Request for Documents should provide you with sufficient information in order to proceed to conciliation at this time. This request for conciliation, however, is not intended as, nor should it be construed to be, a waiver of any of SJVRA's legal rights or standing.

Previous failure by SJVRA to report its activities to the FEC was not the result of any desire or attempt to violate the FECA. It resulted from an analysis of the FECA and our activities and the conclusion that none of SJVRA's activities are governed by the FECA. We therefore require three points in any conciliation agreement:

It is our earnest hope and desire that the many difficult and novel issues which the FEC investigation has raised need not be decided in Federal District Court. We genuinely desire to settle this matter via pre-probable cause conciliation and request your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to your reply within the next thirty days.

Sincerely,



J. Miles Reid

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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES
RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS AND REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS

MUR 2230

In response to Questions and Request for Documents, San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates (SJVRA) submits the following:

1. In response to request 1, reference is made to Article II of SJVRA'S Articles of Incorporation which provide as follows:

(A) This corporation is a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation organized under the Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under such law.

(B) The specific purpose of this corporation is to help elect more Republicans to office by enhancing significantly the visibility of the Republican Party, Republican ideas, Republican thought and Republican personalities within the San Joaquin Valley of California.

(C) The purpose of this corporation is limited as follows: the corporation is prohibited from endorsing or opposing any candidate for any office; and is further prohibited from making any cash financial contribution to any candidate or any candidate's committee for any office; and is further prohibited from passing any resolution in support of or in opposition to any legislative act, initiative, referendum, constitutional amendment or political, social or economic event whatsoever.

2. In response to request 2(a) SJVRA provides the following:

- (a) Correspondence from Jeff Reid to Jim Kelley of the California Franchise Tax Board dated July 23, 1985 enclosed as Exhibit "A".

(b) Correspondence from Ernest Mobley to Jim Kelley of the California Franchise Tax Board dated July 10, 1985 enclosed as Exhibit "B".

(c) Correspondence from California Franchise Tax Board to Jeff Reid dated August 2, 1985 enclosed as Exhibit "C".

In addition, reference is made to California Corporations Code Section 7111.

3. In response to request 2(b) SJVRA admits that it is a tax exempt organization to the extent of its exempt function income as provided for in I.R.C. Section 527 and Regulations Section 1.527(c)(5)(viii). Since SJVRA is governed by Section 527 and not Section 501(c)(3), no letter granting tax exempt status is required.
4. In response to request 2(c) reference is made to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 17245.
5. In response to request 3, SJVRA declares that there is no relationship between any county, state or national committee or other organization of the Republican Party except that one county committee is a member of SJVRA.
6. In response to request 4, SJVRA declares that its current treasurer is Earl Smittcamp.

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7. In response to request 5(a) SJVRA declares that its total receipts obtained during calendar year 1985 were \$25,455.00 and its total receipts obtained during calendar year 1986 were \$12,105.00.
 8. In response to request 5(b) SJVRA denies that there were any such contributions.
 9. In response to request 5(c) SJVRA objects on the grounds that the information is privileged under the 1st Amendment to the United States Constitution and that the FEC is not entitled to information as to the name of any member of SJVRA unless and until it has been determined that SJVRA is a political committee or is otherwise under the jurisdiction of the FEC.
 10. In response to request 6 SJVRA objects on the grounds that the information is privileged under the 1st Amendment to the United States Constitution and that the FEC is not entitled to information related to the communications of SJVRA with its members or any information related to its operations as a publisher of a periodical unless and until it has been determined that SJVRA is a political committee. (Readers Digest Association Inc. v. Federal Elections Commission 509 F. Supp. 1210 (S.D. N.Y. 1981) Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information.

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- (a) Eight hundred issues of Vol. 1-No.1 were printed, 547 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (b) Nine hundred issues of Vol. 1-No.2 were printed, 495 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (c) Eight hundred issues of Vol. 1-No.3 were printed, 534 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (d) Six hundred issues of Vol. 1-No.4 were printed, 521 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (e) Five hundred issues of Vol. 2-No.1 were printed, 482 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (f) Five hundred issues of Vol. 2-No.2 were printed, 450 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (g) Three hundred issues of Vol. 2-No.3 were printed, 300 were distributed by mail.

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- (h) Five hundred issues of Vol. 2-No.4 were printed, 433 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (i) Five hundred issues of Vol. 2-No.5 were printed, 453 were distributed by mail, the remainder were either not distributed, distributed at SJVRA functions, or distributed with correspondence to persons interested in SJVRA.
 - (j) Eight hundred issues of Vol. 3-No.1 were printed, 715 were distributed by mail, the remainder have not yet been distributed.

11. In response to request 7 SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information.

- (a) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 1-No.1 were \$633.68.
- (b) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 1-No.2 were \$520.30.
- (c) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 1-No.3 were \$536.79.
- (d) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 1-No.4 were \$537.63.
- (e) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 2-No.1 were \$371.50.
- (f) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 2-No.2 were \$366.00.

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- (g) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 2-No.3 were \$413.98.
 - (h) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 2-No.4 were \$409.96.
 - (i) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 2-No.5 were \$347.46.
 - (j) Total direct costs of producing and distributing Vol. 3-No.1 were \$482.82.

In addition to the foregoing there were bulk rate fees, and newsletter masthead printing and design costs which totalled \$964.84 the value of which should be amortized over the ten above issues as well as all forthcoming issues of the SJVRA newsletter.

- 12. In response to request 8(a) SJVRA declares that the total funds it has received for newsletter subscription and membership fees total \$48,110.00 which include the amounts reported in response to requests 5(a) and 5(b) and \$10,550.00 received as of 4/8/87 for calendar year 1987. SJVRA denies that it has received any contributions as that term is defined under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.
- 13. In response to request 8(b) SJVRA declares that the net revenues received by it on account of workshops is \$447.80.
- 14. In response to request 8(c) SJVRA declares that the gross revenues received by it on account of luncheons is as follows:
luncheon 1, \$415.50; luncheon 2, \$705.00; luncheon 3, \$462.50;

luncheon 4, \$485.50; luncheon 5, \$343.00. The expenses associated with these luncheons are detailed at paragraph 15 below in response to request 9(a).

15. In response to request 9(a) SJVRA declares that the funds expended on account of each of the luncheons is as follows: luncheon 1, \$372.18; luncheon 2, \$519.00; luncheon 3, \$324.00; luncheon 4, \$295.79; luncheon 5, \$431.44.
16. In response to request 9(b) SJVRA declares that the number of persons attending each luncheon is as follows: luncheon 1, 46; luncheon 2, 76; luncheon 3, 46; luncheon 4, 42; luncheon 5, 33.
17. In response to request 9(c) SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above.
18. In response to request 9(d) SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving this objection, SJVRA declares that the speaker at its fifth luncheon held on November 20, 1986 was Keith Love, political reporter for the Los Angeles Times who discussed his impressions of the campaign for United States Senator from California and the future political careers of Alan Cranston and Ed Zschau. This was the only luncheon speaker whose discussion pertained to any federal election.

19. In response to request 10, SJVRA denies that any of its agents have solicited any contributions for the support or defeat of any candidate for any federal office.
20. In response to request 11 SJVRA declares that the number of persons considered members of SJVRA is 192, and that there are an additional 40 individuals who are subscribers to the SJVRA newsletters.
21. In response to request 12(a) SJVRA declares that there are 6 categories of membership for SJVRA including Trustee, Honorary Trustee, Patron, Sustaining Sponsor, Regular Sponsor and Associate. The minimum support required of an Associate is \$100.00, the minimum level of support of a Regular Sponsor is \$250.00, the minimum level of support of a Sustaining Sponsor is \$500.00 and the minimum level of support of a Patron is \$1,000. These requirements were established pursuant to a resolution 85-14 of the SJVRA Board of Trustees adopted on May 29, 1985. The requirements to be an Honorary Trustee are that the individual be an Associate, Regular Sponsor or Sustaining Sponsor, a Republican leader in the San Joaquin Valley and be appointed by the Board of Directors. These requirements were established by the Board of Trustees of SJVRA. To be a Trustee an individual must be a resident of the State of California and a registered voter affiliated with the Republican Party. In addition the Trustee must be elected to the Board of Directors of SJVRA by a majority vote of the current Trustees. These

requirements are contained in the Bylaws of SJVRA which were adopted by the Board of Trustees of SJVRA.

22. In response to request 12(b) SJVRA declares that each individual who desires to be a member of SJVRA must affirmatively request to be a member by providing the financial support specified in paragraph 20 and by completing and returning a donor information form enclosed as Exhibit "D".
23. In response to request 12(c) SJVRA declares that the Board of Trustees have not adopted a formal policy regarding membership renewals. Their long range plan is to require annual renewal. However, because of the financial limits which prevented SJVRA from providing the full range of membership benefits originally planned, the Trustees have not required additional support as a condition to continued membership privileges.
24. In response to request 12(d) SJVRA declares that a Trustee loses his or her rights as a Trustee upon the expiration of the stated term of office or failure to continue to meet any of the requirements of that office as stated in paragraph 20 above. The Board of Trustees have not formally adopted a policy regarding termination of other classes of membership, however their practice has been that other classes of members are not subject to termination unless they die, move from the area, or request to be dropped as a member.

25. In response to request 12(e) SJVRA declares that there are no other requirements for membership in Republican Associates.

26. In response to that portion of request 13(a) which requests information related to communications between SJVRA and its members, SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. SJVRA declares that only Trustees elect the officials of SJVRA. Members of SJVRA are informed of the fact that the affairs of SJVRA are managed by the Board of Trustees in several of the SJVRA newsletters and in certain information provided to individuals who have been invited to participate in SJVRA.

27. In response to that portion of request 13(b) which requests information related to communications between SJVRA and its members, SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. General membership meetings consist of the quarterly luncheons of which all members are informed by the SJVRA newsletter. Meetings of the Board of Trustees are open to SJVRA members and information as to the date and place of such meetings is provided to members upon request though no general announcement of Board meetings is made.

28. In response to that portion of request 13(c) which requests information related to communications between SJVRA and its members, SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. Only Trustees manage the financial affairs of SJVRA. Members of SJVRA are informed of the fact that the affairs of SJVRA are managed by the Board of Trustees in several SJVRA newsletters and in certain information provided to individuals who have been invited to participate in SJVRA.

29. In response to that portion of request 13(d) which requests information related to communications between SJVRA and its members, SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. Members have the opportunity to participate in the operation of SJVRA and have been informed of the opportunity in the SJVRA newsletters. In addition, the Board is currently planning an expansion of the committees of SJVRA. However, this FEC investigation which has now remained open for in excess of six months has had a chilling effect on the Board's plans to expand its committee structure and to provide additional avenues of participation to members of SJVRA.

30. In response to that portion of request 13(e) which requests information related to communications between SJVRA and its members, SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides

the following information. Members receive the newsletter of SJVRA entitled "Republican" Spoken Here. Original plans were that this newsletter would be a monthly newsletter, however the newsletter is published on a regular basis when funds permit. Members are informed of this right in the newsletter and in certain information provided to individuals who have been invited to participate in SJVRA.

31. In response to that portion of request 13(f) which requests information related to communications between SJVRA and its members SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. Associate members receive a certificate, a monthly newsletter and invitations to all events. Regular Sponsors receive all of the above plus complimentary tickets to all SJVRA campaign workshops and seminars. Sustaining Sponsors receive all of the above plus complimentary tickets to all quarterly luncheons. Patrons receive all of the above plus complimentary tickets to annual dinners. Members are informed of these rights in the newsletter and in certain information provided to individuals who have been invited to participate in SJVRA.

32. In response to request 14 SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. Members receive regular mailings of the newsletter whereas persons who

are prospective members or nonmembers are not entitled to receive regular mailings of all newsletters unless they are subscribers to the newsletter. However some prospective members may receive more than one issue of the newsletter in order to provide them with information about our activities and an incentive to participate.

33. In response to request 15 SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides the following information. The number of issues of Vol 1-No.1 distributed to members and subscribers was 79, and 468 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 1-No.2 distributed to members and subscribers was 113, and 382 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 1-No.3 distributed to members and subscribers was 147, and 387 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 1-No.4 distributed to members and subscribers was 176, and 345 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 2-No.1 distributed to members and subscribers was 199, and to 283 other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 2-No.2 distributed to members and subscribers was 209, and 241 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 2-No.3 distributed to members and subscribers was 209, and 91 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 2-No.4 distributed to members and subscribers was 225, and 208 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 2-No.5 distributed to members and subscribers was 230, and 223 to other individuals. The number of issues of Vol 3-No.1 distributed to members and subscribers was 232, and 483 to other individuals.

34. In response to request 16 SJVRA denies that any other materials distributed by it contain any reference to any federal candidate or federal election.

35. In response to request 17 SJVRA provides copies of all solicitation letters enclosed as Exhibits "E" through "V". Correspondence other than one of the included form letters may have been sent to individuals in response to individual inquiries but SJVRA is providing copies of all standard format letters which through the best of its efforts it has been able to gather. In addition, enclosed as Exhibit "W" is the SJVRA handout piece enclosed with the solicitation letter and made available at SJVRA functions. Finally, enclosed are copies of invitations to the SJVRA quarterly luncheons.

36. In response to request 18, SJVRA incorporates by reference the objection stated in paragraph 10 above. Without waiving the objection SJVRA provides copies of Vol. 1-No.2 issued October, 1985; Vol. 1-No.3 issued November 1985; Vol. 1-No.4 issued December 1985; Vol. 2-No. 1 issued January 1986; Vol. 2-No.2 issued February 1986; Vol. 2-No.3 issued March/April 1986; Vol. 2-No.4 issued July/August 1986; Vol. 2-No. 5 issued September/October 1986; and Vol. 3-No.1 issued April/May 1987.

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July 23, 1985

Mr. Jim Kelley
Franchise Tax Board
Exempt Organization Unit
P. O. Box 1468
Sacramento, CA 95807

Dear Mr. Kelley:

In a telephone conference with you about a month ago, I requested information about the procedure for acquiring tax exempt status for a non-profit corporation known as San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates. You indicated at that time that a non-profit organization such as ours, which had already been incorporated, did not need to complete Form 3500. Instead, you indicated that we needed to provide you with a copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a letter describing the organization's activities.

Enclosed is a letter from Ernest Mobley, chairman of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, which describes the organization's intended activities. With the exception of two organizational meetings by its Board of Directors, the organization has not yet begun operations. Also enclosed is a copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

If there is any other information or documents required to qualify San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates as a tax exempt organization, please give me a call. Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

MCCORMICK, BARSTOW, SHEPPARD,
WAYTE & CARRUTH

JEFF REID

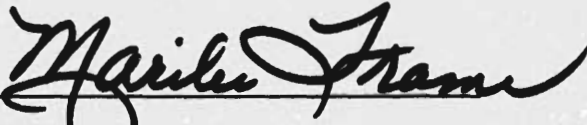
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I, Marilee Frame, on behalf of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, Inc.

By: 
Marilee Frame, Chairman

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July 10, 1985

Attention: Jim Kelley

Franchise Tax Board
Exempt Organization Unit
P.O. Box 1468
Sacramento, CA 95807

Dear Mr. Kelley,

This letter is to request a tax exempt status for San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.

The corporation is a non-profit mutual benefit corporation organized under the Non-Profit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law.

Enclosed is a copy of the Articles of Incorporation bearing the endorsement stamp of the Secretary of State.

San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates is primarily a service organization offering ancillary facilities to the Republican Party and Republican candidates. They do not endorse or give money directly to candidates but rather offer research and organizational services.

Republican Associates was established to pursue a mission of providing a professional, stable and continuous program to increase the visibility of Republican party principles, to further Republican party objectives, and to help elect more Republicans to public office. This ongoing program consists of:

Information Center - a central source of political, social and economic information about the valley available to all Republicans.

Research Library - maintain a political research facility on issues and personalities that is unique in its collection of primary source material - newspapers, magazines, press releases, campaign literature, records of legislative sessions, committee hearings, incumbent votes and elections.

Candidate Assistance - all Republican candidates, irrespective of the office they are seeking, are encouraged and welcome to avail themselves of the information gathered by Republican Associates staff. In addition RA provides candidates basic information concerning what it takes to be a candidate, how to organize a campaign and how to raise money.

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Speakers Bureau - RA will furnish speakers to service clubs, schools, community groups and college campuses. These speakers are supporters of RA who speak on a myriad of topics.

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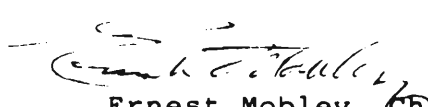
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Courses in Practical Politics - periodically, RA conducts courses in practical politics for all interested Republicans. These are primer courses concerning the structure of government and the legislative and elective process.

The \$200.00 Corporation fee has been paid to the Secretary of State as authorized by the Board of Directors. As an educational and service organization, we request that Republican Associates be granted a tax exempt status, and the Corporation fee be refunded.

Sincerely yours,


Ernest Mobley, Chairman
San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates
442 N. Fulton
Fresno, CA 93704

(209) 264-2129

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FRANCHISE TAX BOARD

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95867

August 2, 1985

In reply refer to
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San Joaquin Valley Republican
Associates
c/o McCormick et al
Attention: Jeff Reid
P. O. Box 24013
Fresno, CA 93779-4013

Purpose : Political Organization
Form of Organization : Corporation
Accounting Period Ending: December 31
Organization Number : 1274727

Based on your stated purposes and the understanding that your present operations will continue or will be as proposed in your Articles of Incorporation, you are exempt from State franchise or income tax under Section 23701r of the Revenue and Taxation Code. Any changes in operation, character or purposes must be reported to this office immediately for consideration of their effect upon your exempt status. You also must report any change in name or address.

You are not required to file Annual Exempt Organization, State franchise or income tax returns unless you have non-exempt function income under Section 23701r of the Code. In this event, you are required to file Form 100 (Corporation Income Tax Return) by the 15th day of the 3rd month (2 1/2 months) after the close of your annual accounting period.

If the organization is incorporating, this approval will expire unless incorporation is completed with the Secretary of State within 60 days.

Exemption from Federal or other State taxes may require separate applications.

M. Kokinos, Supervisor
Exempt Organization Section
(916) 355-0132

EXHIBIT "C"

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES
442 North Fulton
Fresno, CA 93701
(209) 268-7068

DONOR INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date: _____
Home Address: _____ Zip _____
Home Phone: _____ Business Phone _____
Business Address _____ Zip _____
Company Name _____
Position Held: _____
Type of Business: _____
Send Mail To: _____
Signature: _____ Contribution Enclosed: _____

* Political contributions to Republican Associates up to \$100 per person may be taken as a deduction on your personal State Income Tax.

LEVELS OF CONTRIBUTION

. Patron \$1,000.
. Sustaining Sponsor 500.
. Regular Sponsor 250.
. Associate 100.

Make checks payable to: San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
Mail to SJVRA, 442 North Fulton, Fresno, CA 93701.

You, as a contributor to Republican Associates will receive RA's newsletter, will hear Republican speakers share their views with you at quarterly RA meetings, and will help elect Republican candidates to office.

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REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES

OF THE

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

ABOUT REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES

Republican Associates is a private, non-profit organization devoted to the long term promotion of the Republican party in the San Joaquin Valley. Republican Associates was established to pursue a mission of providing a professional, stable and continuous program to increase the visibility of Republican party principles to further Republican party objectives, and to help elect more Republicans to public office. This ongoing program consists of:

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HOW REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES IS SUPPORTED - Republican Associates is supported by annual contributions from Republicans who care and want their party and candidates to be successful over the long term. Contribution levels range from \$100 to \$1,000. (See donor form)

WHY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES IS NEEDED - In a growing and complex society there is an unlimited amount of competition for the attention of the public mind. Both political parties now recognize they must compete for attention as seen in the creation of professional party organizations at the national and state level. Our candidates and office holders come and go but there is a need for a professional, permanent, stable, and continuous program to acquire and sustain public attention. Republican Associates fulfills that need. There is no Republican organization in the San Joaquin Valley doing this job or providing this service.

Republican Central Committees are elected every two years and serve without pay. There is constant turn-over, thus making it difficult to establish on-going programs. In addition, it is generally recognized that the primary function of County Committees is to develop programs to increase the number of registered Republicans and to get out the Republican vote on election day.

Volunteer Republican organizations like the Federated Republican Women, Young Republicans and California Republican Assembly do not perform this function. Again, turn-over in leadership and membership and the concept of volunteerism preclude permanency of programs.

Elected Republican office holders do not perform this function because their primary responsibility is to represent their constituency.

WHAT REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES DOES NOT DO - To avoid the debilitating conflicts of party factionalism and personality clashes that frequently afflict political party organizations, RA does not:

- Select or pick candidates to run for office
- Endorse candidates
- Make cash contributions to candidates or political committees
- Endorse, support or oppose political legislation or causes

MANAGEMENT OF REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES - The policy and direction of RA is set by a nine member board of trustees. Day to Day management is carried out by a paid Executive Director. The Executive Director is assisted by a paid staff, one full time and one part time person. RA employs a private consulting firm to develop and monitor RA programs.

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES

1. To make a difference in the elective process.
2. To support a permanent organizational vehicle that is devoted to getting more Republicans interested in the political process.
3. To help elect more Republicans to all levels of public office.
4. To have the opportunity to see and measure the results of your contribution to a political organization.
5. To assist an organization whose sole interest is the Republican party and not political personalities.
6. To provide a central location where San Joaquin Valley Republicans who are interested in running for public office can go to get information and straight answers.
7. To instill stability and professionalism in the Republican party in the San Joaquin Valley.
8. To inform the public about your political party and its principles.
9. To create a powerful voice in behalf of San Joaquin Valley Republicans in order to bring issues of concern to National and State Republican leaders.
10. Because you believe in good government.

ALL DONOR/SUPPORTERS WILL RECEIVE:

1. A lapel pin with the RA logo.
2. A Certificate of Support suitable for framing.
3. A monthly newsletter containing information on politics, legislation, political personalities, votes on incumbent office holders and data on issues of concern to the San Joaquin Valley.
4. The opportunity to participate in campaign workshops and seminars.
5. Exposure to prominent Republican speakers at quarterly luncheon meetings.
6. The satisfaction that your financial support is furthering the cause of the Republican party in the San Joaquin Valley in a professional and responsible manner.

LEVELS OF SUPPORT:

ASSOCIATE (\$100 contribution) - receives lapel pin, certificate, monthly newsletter and invitations to all events.

REGULAR SPONSOR (\$250 contribution) - receives all of the above plus complimentary tickets to all RA campaign workshops and seminars.

SUSTAINING SPONSOR (\$500 contribution) - receives all of the above plus complimentary tickets to all four quarterly luncheons.

PATRON (\$1,000 contribution) - receives all of the above plus complimentary tickets to the annual dinner.

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STATEMENT BY ERNEST N. MOBLEY
CHAIRMAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES
OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

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In [redacted] to the [redacted] Republican Associates
will be offering such service as a [redacted] bureau, [redacted]
[redacted] courses in practical politics and [redacted]
may be needed to help build a strong Republican Party in the
valley.

One of the purposes of Republican Associations is the coordination and communication among the other Republican organizations that are spread out through the country.

As a former candidate I know how difficult it is to run in a district that includes three or four counties.

Republican Associates was formed to provide support services to all Republican organizations, Republican Central Committees and Republican office holders. Republican Associates does not select or endorse candidates, finance or solicit contributions for candidates or political committees or initiate, endorse or contribute to political legislation or causes.

Republican Associates is funded by the contributions from interested Republicans who see the need for an informative resource to help all Republicans in the Valley. Nearly 150 contributors

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have stepped forward since we started on August 1, 1985.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
and the various workshops sponsored

My colleagues on the Board of Trustees and I have
toiled many years in the vineyards of the Republican Party.
We believe that Republican Associates is a very positive
step forward for the Republican Party in the San Joaquin
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Well, something has come along that excites us and will benefit the Republican Party in the San Joaquin Valley for years to come - REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES - and we want you to be part of this new venture.

Based upon a very successful thirty-year program in Southern California, Republican Associates of the San Joaquin Valley (RA) is devoted to helping the Republican Party and all Republican candidates.

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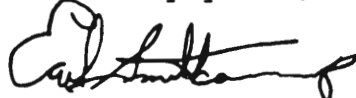
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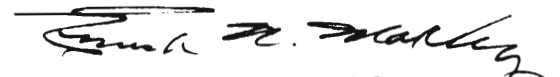
Many of us give to the national and state parties to assist the party at these higher levels. It is now time to start in our own backyard. We want your help in building a positive Republican Party presence in the San Joaquin Valley through Republican Associates. Your generous contribution will sustain this most worthwhile program which will impact all Republican activities and help all Republican candidates.

Information concerning Republican Associates is enclosed for your review. You will find Governor Deukmejian's letter to RA of Los Angeles County, written when he was Attorney General, of particular interest. A return envelope is also provided for your convenience. When you have finished reading the material, we believe you will agree with us that RA is worthy of your financial support.

If you have any questions, we would welcome your calls at (209) 264-2129. We two Republican warhorses want you on board. If there are no questions, please make out your generous check today and mail to Republican Associates. We believe in this program for the Republican Party in the San Joaquin Valley.

Sincerely yours,


Earl S. Smittcamp


Ernest N. Mobley

P.S. Please note the various contribution levels and their benefits. We are, of course, hopeful that you will be as generous as you possibly can be in supporting RA. Our budget for the initial seven months is \$52,788.00.

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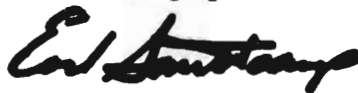
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THANK YOU LETTER

We wish to express our appreciation for your generous contribution to Republican Associates. Your support is helping to initiate a vital service to the Republican Party in the San Joaquin Valley. In time, R/A will make a significant difference in the success of Republican candidates running for public office.

ASSOCIATE - \$100.00

As an Associate Contributor you will receive a certificate of recognition and our monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here". In addition, you will receive invitations to all R/A sponsored events.

SPONSOR - \$250.00

As a Sponsor you will receive a certificate of recognition and our monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here". In addition, you will receive invitations to all R/A sponsored events and complimentary tickets to our seminars and workshops.

SUSTAINING SPONSOR - \$500.00

As a Sustaining Sponsor you will receive a certificate of recognition and our monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here". In addition, you will receive complimentary tickets to all our R/A Quarterly Luncheons and our R/A seminars and workshops.

PATRON - \$1,000.00

As a Patron you will receive a certificate of recognition and our monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here". In addition, you will receive complimentary tickets to all R/A sponsored events, including our annual dinner, and any other special events that may be scheduled by the Board of Trustees.

DONATION - Under \$100.00

As a contributor you will receive our monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here" and, in addition, you will receive invitations to all R/A sponsored events.

Thank you again for your support.

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Earl S. Smittcamp

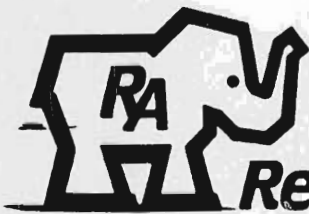
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Hello Mr. _____! This is _____, with Republican Associates. I am calling you at the request of _____ and _____ in reference to a letter that was sent to you to inform you about Republican Associates, and to request your support. Do you recall receiving the letter?

RESPONSE

Let me take a couple of minutes right now to tell you about an exciting new organization which is supported by Assemblyman _____ and _____ and over 200 valley Republicans.

We are an educational and informational service that was created to elect more Republicans to office, and will assist all Republicans. We are putting together, in one location, a political resource library which will provide background material on issues, political personalities, voting records, election results and other important political information. This service will provide continuity between the five Congressional, five Senatorial and eight Assembly districts that criss-cross the Valley's eight counties. That is something that ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ is not being provided by any other Republican organization. (Example: Lehman's district covering 5 counties)



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August 28, 1985

Dear [REDACTED]:

As a follow-up to our phone conversation today I am enclosing a brochure on SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES. It is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the support and furthering of Republican principles and is patterned after Republican Associates of Southern California -- a successful organization that has helped further Republican goals, ideals and candidates for over 30 years.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES provides a service so desperately needed in this valley -- a political continuity between 5 Congressional Districts, 5 Senatorial Districts and 9 Assembly Districts that criss-cross the eight valley counties.

This permanent, year-round, professional organization is designed to benefit ALL Republicans, Republican party organizations and Republican candidates by providing, in one location, the materials, information and resources that will help build and maintain a strong Republican base in this valley.

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Instead, as a Research/Resource center, SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES will provide background material on issues, demographics and voting records of districts, statistics, and other political data to any Republican, upon request.

Other services being provided by SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES include, Speakers Bureau, Campaign Workshops & Seminars, Courses in Practical Politics, and much more.

Injecting my personal philosophy for a moment, I felt for years that we Republicans have not developed and provided a strong political base. When SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES was formed and I was asked to be in on the ground floor, I jumped at the chance as I feel this organization can be the vehicle we need to provide that base.

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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES is off to a good start. This organization became a reality in July of this year. We already have over 100 contributors but they are mainly from Fresno county. Our first monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here," comes off the presses in September. This newsletter will allow our contributors to keep abreast of the latest political information affecting the San Joaquin Valley. We are also helping sponsor and co-ordinate an intensive, one-day course on the nuts-and-bolts of campaigning. This will be held at the Tropicana Inn in Fresno, Saturday, October 12th. We plan to have the first of our quarterly luncheons sometime in late October or early November. We are in the process of collecting and cataloging materials that would be helpful to candidates and/or potential candidates. So you can see SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES is functioning.

But, seeking to provide services for an area as large as the San Joaquin Valley is a major undertaking and one can not underestimate the difficulty of this task. In my opinion, the key to success in the development, function and use of this organization is having the opportunity to meet with Republican leaders in your county. We need the support of Republican leaders like yourself, [redacted], who are involved and interested in good basic politics; plus we need people who are able to provide the vital, early financial support which will insure the success of this needed program.

I look forward to meeting you while we are in San Diego. Hopefully, all the Merced delegation will be able to join with us to further discuss this exciting concept.

Kindest regards,



Jean M. Schwafel
Executive Director
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY
REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES

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San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates

SEPTEMBER 1985

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By becoming a contributor to SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES you will be providing not only money and support, but will also be a recipient of a monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here." Contributors will also have the opportunity to meet and talk with prominent Republican political leaders at the four quarterly luncheon and dinner meetings.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES provides the continuity of purpose and networking among Republican organizations and supporters while also creating a powerful voice in behalf of San Joaquin Valley Republicans in order to bring issues of concern to national and state Republican leaders. Last but not least, SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATES affords a stronger, more unified base for our future Republican candidates.

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There is something new -- and an exciting promise for the Republican Party in the San Joaquin Valley.

The something new is a permanent, professionally managed organization that is working every day, month after month, on a year-round basis to further the Republican cause right here in our Valley.

The exciting promise is that in one location is the information, materials and professional research that you and all Valley Republicans can turn to for answers and help.

Want to know:

- How your elected representative voted on a bill?
- The election results in a particular county?
- What a person should consider when becoming a candidate?
- The election laws concerning campaigning?
- A telephone number for a government agency?
- What the Fresno Bee had to say about a political issue?

CALL R/A FOR THE ANSWER!

We, Ernie Mobley and Barney Richardson, have toiled a lot of years for the Republican Party covering many tasks and contributing substantial sums of money. We agree that R/A is an organization with a service that is of immense value to all Republicans.

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R/A will mitigate the "re-inventing of the wheel" that many Republican candidates and prospective candidates go through every election year. R/A eliminates many other problems by maintaining election results by county, social and economic information by county and an abundance of information concerning campaigns. R/A informational service will help Republican candidates stretch their campaign dollars!

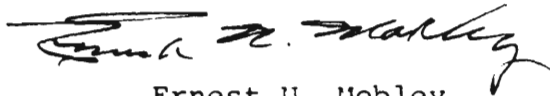
Many of us give to the national and state parties to assist the party at these higher levels. It is now time to start in our own backyard. Your support will build a positive Republican Party presence in the San Joaquin Valley through Republican Associates.

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Please make out your generous check today and mail in the enclosed envelope. We believe in this program for the Republican party in the San Joaquin Valley.

Sincerely yours,



Ernest H. Mobley



Barney Richardson

P.S. Please note the various contribution levels and their benefits. We are, of course, hopeful that you will be as generous as you possibly can be in supporting R/A. Our budget for the initial seven months is \$52,788.00

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Kindest Regards

Jean M. Schwafel

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Republican Associates has just celebrated its first anniversary and **YOUR HELP MADE THAT POSSIBLE!** We thank you.

Your support, along with that of many other dedicated Republicans, was instrumental in the foundation of **Republican Associates**. Without you, we wouldn't be here.

We want you to know about some of the things your financial contribution made possible.

1. If you look in the Fresno phone book, you will see that ours is the only listing under the name "**Republican**". We receive and answer many calls for information. We are the only easily accessible Republican contact for the general public.
2. We organized and co-ordinated a Campaign Support School for Republican volunteer workers - nearly 100 attended.
3. We held three quarterly luncheons which generated publicity for R/A, the Republican Party and its candidates.

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Best regards,

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~~December 12, 1985~~

February 6, 1986

Dear

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In order for Republicans to have a say in the 1990 reapportionment, we have to achieve the majority in one house of legislature. Our chances look most promising in the Senate. We Republicans presently hold 15 of the 40 Senate seats with the strong possibility of picking up two more in the 1986 election.

To help get these legislators elected, thereby gaining a majority, we need an organization like San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates which will be able to provide the needed research materials, information and resources concerning our Valley and its issues.

Providing services for an area as large as the San Joaquin Valley is a major undertaking and one cannot underestimate the difficulty of this task. We need the concentrated support of all Republicans who are interested in good basic politics. Plus, we need people who are able to provide the vital, early financial support which will ensure the success of this effort.

In five short months, San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates has already attracted over 200 contributors who understand the value of a unified Republican effort in the San Joaquin Valley and the role it can play in statewide politics. We invite you to join with us in this effort.

As a contributor to San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, you will receive a monthly newsletter, "Republican Spoken Here," that will help keep you abreast of what is happening in the political world of the San Joaquin Valley. You will also have the opportunity to meet and talk with prominent Republican political leaders at the four quarterly luncheon and dinner meetings.

I look forward to your joining me in support of this worthwhile and needed organization. Through your contribution and efforts, the San Joaquin Valley will be an organized, powerful political force in the State of California.

Sincerely Yours,



Bill Jones,
Assemblyman, 32nd District



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November 20, 1986

Dear [REDACTED]:

At the request of [REDACTED], I am forwarding to you, some information on San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates. In my opinion, this is the only organization capable of bringing together all the Republican factions and creating a powerful political voice on behalf of all San Joaquin Valley Republicans.

We have been in existence for almost four months and already have attracted over 150 contributors who believe, as I do, that in order to attract good qualified candidates, we have to be able to provide a good support system.

San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates does just that. It is an organization dedicated to providing basic research/resource materials including election statistics, demographics, and research materials on issues and personalities to any all all Republicans who request it. In addition, as you will not in the enclosed R/A brochure, we are establishing a Speakers Bureau, sponsoring Campaign Seminars and much more.

Our main purpose is to further Republican principles, promote party unity and, help elect Republicans to office. This organization do not endorse or contribute money to any individual candidate or campaign, nor will it initiate, endorse or contribute to political legislation, causes, or political committees.

Our contributors receive a monthly newsletter helping them to keep abreast of political information and to gain political insight to the problems concerning the San Joaquin Valley. A copy of our monthly newsletter is enclosed for you to enjoy.

I hope you will consider contributing to San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and help us strive to provide Republicans with the political clout so desperately needed in this valley. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Kindest regards,

Jean M. Schwafel

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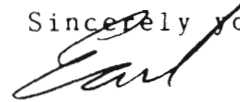
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Sincerely yours,


Earl S. Smittcamp

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February 19, 1987

Dear [REDACTED]:

As a supporter of the Republican party and Republican candidates, we are inviting you to join with us in maintaining a permanent, on-going organization to assist the Republican party in the San Joaquin Valley.

The essence of our mission is very well stated by Assemblyman Bill Jones:

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Based upon a very successful thirty-year program in Southern California, Republican Associates of the San Joaquin Valley (R/A) is committed to helping the Republican party and all Republican candidates.

At the present time there over 250 Republicans are helping sustain R/A with their financial support.

As a contributor to R/A you are entitled to:

- Access to the information and library services
- A periodic newsletter that will help keep you abreast of what is happening in the political world of the San Joaquin Valley.
- Attend the four quarterly luncheons and meet and speak with prominent Republican leaders
- Assistance in registration & voting information
- participate in R/A activities such as campaign workshops and courses in practical politics

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If you have any questions, we would welcome your calls to (209) 431-2133. If there are no questions, please make out your generous check and mail it today.

Best regards,

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P.S. Please note the various contribution levels. We are, of course, hopeful that you will be as generous as you possibly can in supporting Republican Associates.

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March 3, 1987

Dear [REDACTED],

It was a pleasure to speak with you today regarding Republican Associates. We wholeheartedly welcome your support and participation.

Enclosed is a copy of an excellent series of articles titled "What Every Candidate Should Know." These articles were published in our R/A newsletter in 1986. You will find it worthwhile reading as it provides the necessary "resistance" you will need to think against in making a decision.

Also enclosed is information about R/A's intent, a contribution form, and a return envelope.

You will notice there are several levels of financial support. I invite and encourage you to join us as a Sustaining Sponsor (\$500). We need it. We would appreciate it. So, if your able, please do.

Thanks, [REDACTED]. I am looking forward to having lunch and renewing our acquaintance. You can reach me at 431-2133.

Sincerely,

Lorna Sloan
Executive Director

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April 21, 1987

Dear [REDACTED]:

Republican Associates is now entering the 20th month of providing informational services to Republicans throughout the valley including the party organization, volunteer organizations, and candidates for various offices.

During the start-up phase I contacted you for financial support of this most worthwhile service. At that time you expressed some interest, but declined to participate financially. Due to your interest and wishing to keep you informed, I have been sending you the R/A newsletter and invitations to R/A functions.

Now, I am respectfully requesting that you again consider the possibility of supporting R/A with a generous financial contribution. To provide you with more information about R/A, I cordially invite you to visit the R/A office to see first hand the type of service and material the financial support makes possible.

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Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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U.S. Senate Race Update

Dear to the hearts of most Republicans is the replacement of Democrat U.S. Senator Alan Cranston in 1986. Cranston's run for the Presidency in 1984 fully exposed his liberal views and he is seen as vulnerable in '86. Because of this, it seems as if everyone wants to come to the party and we have an abundance of candidates eagerly seeking the nomination.

Mentioned early this year were potentials Charlton Heston and Peter Ueberroth; however, they both seem to have given a definite "no", if there is such a thing in politics. Listed alphabetically are the current candidates, both announced and unannounced.

Michael Antonovich is Fifth District Supervisor, County of Los Angeles, and the Chairman of the California Republican Party. He previously served in the State Assembly. It is reported that Antonovich has retained the consulting team of Sai Russo and Doug Watts along with pollster Robert Teeter. A sizeable campaign war chest is available, but the unanswered question is to what extent have funds been segregated to meet Federal Elections Code requirements. (No official announcement).

William Campbell has represented the 31st State Senatorial District since 1976 and previously served four terms in the State Assembly. He has been identified as "father of the sunset bill," a concept whereby government agencies must periodically justify their existence or go out of business. (No official announcement)

William Dannemeyer served in the State Assembly for six years is currently U.S. Congressman representing the 39th District. Long identified with conservative causes, Dannemeyer serves on the Judiciary Committee and is active in one of the three major committees seeking to unseat Supreme Court Justice Rose Bird. (No official announcement)

Ed Davis has represented the 19th District in the State Senate since 1980. He previously served as Chief of the Los Angeles Police Department. Known for strong conservative support based on his stand on law and order issues, Davis' unexpected vote for AB1, the "gay rights bill," has cost him some support. As one of the two officially announced candidates, Davis has retained Art Finklestein as a political consultant. His campaign seems strongly oriented toward crime, court reform and national defense. Being in the midst of a four-year term, Senator Davis has a "free ride" and will not have to give up his seat. (Officially announced)

Bobbie Fiedler is in her third term as U.S. Congresswoman in the 21st District. She began her political career in 1977 by winning a seat on the Los Angeles Board of Education as an opponent of forced busing. A member of Congress since 1980, she sits on the House Budget Committee. Although not officially announced, Fiedler has raised in excess of \$300,000 and with a professional campaign has attempted to build a statewide grassroots organization. As the only woman in a large field, her prospects may be increased. (No official announcement)

Bruce Herschensohn, a former Assistant to President Nixon, is a political commentator for KABC-TV in Los Angeles. In addition to TV exposure, his additional radio commentary helps to give him name identification in the huge Southern California market area. Eloquent, articulate and conservative, Bruce is strongly oriented toward foreign policy and national defense issues. Organizational and financial support must now be generated for a viable campaign. (No official announcement)

Art Laffer is without doubt the best known proponent of "supply side" economic theory. A former Chief Economist for the Office of Management and Budget, Laffer is now a Professor at Pepperdine University and heads his own economic

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Congressman 17th C.D.
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William Thomas
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Assemblyman 33rd A.D.
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Congressman 18th C.D.
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Democrat Chameleons

A most interesting article, titled "Valley's Democrats fit party's new mold," was published in *The Fresno Bee* in July this year. It explored the success of our valley Democratic legislators in tailoring their rhetoric and a few crucial votes to the conservative leaning of their districts.

The ability to take on protective coloration as does the chameleon has been instrumental in the elective success of the Democratic candidates. Coelho, Lehman, Costa, Bronzan and others seem to have purposefully learned to mouth the proper conservative words when at home in the district, yet have consistently voted for the same discredited liberal programs of the past while supporting the state and national policies advocated by Jerry Brown and Walter Mondale. This, of course, has been frustrating to the Republican Party as the Valley most often votes for Republican candidates for Governor and President.

The solution lies in making the public aware of the specific votes of these Democratic legislators which are opposed to the feelings and interests of their constituents. Republican Associates through the R/A newsletter will furnish that information. We have begun with this issue (see Vote Ratings and Attendance). In coming issues we shall cover state

legislators and votes on specific bills. Your support makes this information program possible and will contribute to future Republican success in our Valley.

Of Legislative Interest

Although R/A takes no position on legislative issues, we realize the importance of certain legislation to the people and economy of our Valley and in future issues we shall publicize specific bills of interest. In the meantime, we think it important to note that Congress is currently considering the farm bill and international trade provisions. Additionally, the combined issues of tax revision and the budget and trade deficits are being debated. All these impact our Valley citizens.

R/A recognizes the adverse circumstances faced by agribusiness. Whether we look at raisins or wine, cotton or grain, tree fruit or nuts or the dairy industry — most segments of agriculture have suffered economic reverses. Included in this first issue is a listing of our Valley representatives, both Democrat and Republican. Please use this information to express your opinions directly to your legislators.

Rose Bird and the Supreme Court

Although current polls are encouraging, opponents of Supreme Court Chief Justice Rose Bird face no easy task. With campaign funds of one-half million raised to date, Justice Bird will mount a vigorous defense. Having access to some of the leading Hollywood personalities, her campaign could also be expected to air commercials similar to those done by Jack Lemmon and Jack Klugman to confuse the issue on Proposition 39 (Reapportionment) in the 1984 election.

The opposition to Bird has zeroed in on her rulings affecting death penalty cases and the effect on public perception has been significant. Less clear, however, is the extent of the damage to Justices Grodin and Reynoso whose votes are nearly identical to those of Bird. Liberal Bird supporters are afraid that her vulnerability will result in non-confirmation for her colleagues and some supporters have suggested that she resign in order to defuse the issue.

The two most active organizations in opposition to Justice Bird are *Crime Victims for Court Reform* and *Californians to Defeat Rose Bird*. Although many leading Republicans are involved in the campaign to defeat Rose Bird, the Republican party takes no official position. Belief is that keeping the fight non-partisan will enhance chances for success. R/A will do a major update on Justice Bird and the campaign in a future issue.

Campaign Support School

San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, in conjunction with the Republican Party, local Republican candidates and the Federation of Republican Women, is sponsoring a Campaign Support School in Fresno on October 12. The school is being coordinated by Jean Schwafel, the new Executive Director of Republican Associates. Please see the attached brochure or call Jean at 264-2129 for further information. R/A will continue to innovate and support this type of foundational support for our party and its candidates.

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research and consulting firm. He is best known for the "Laffer Curve" which demonstrates the effect of taxation levels and his work strongly influenced the economic policy of the first Reagan Administration. Laffer has retained Bill Roberts as his campaign consultant. Future success of his candidacy may well depend on the state of the economy in 1986. (No official announcement)

Dan Lundgren is serving his fourth term in Congress representing the 42nd District. An attorney, Lundgren formerly worked on the staffs of U.S. Senators George Murphy and Bill Brock. Described as "aggressive, tenacious — a conservative on the move," he has shown special interest in the areas of crime, immigration and the economy. (No official announcement)

Robert Naylor was elected to the State Assembly in 1978 and represents the 20th District in the San Mateo area. Bob served as Assembly Republican Minority Leader for three years. He is not only one of the two officially announced candidates, but also until just recently held the distinction of being the only Northern California based candidate. Bob entered the race early and has diligently worked the state for support. (Officially announced)

Fess Parker, best known for his TV role as Davy Crockett, is also exploring a run in 1986. Urged on by political consultant, Stuart Spencer, who also talked to Heston and Ueberroth, Parker is a resident of Santa Barbara. Although he is a staunch Republican of long standing, his prior political involvement has been solely as a volunteer. (No official announcement)

Ed Zschau is the latest in long line of potential candidates. Now serving as a Congressman from the 12th District, representing Silicon Valley, Zschau founded an electronics company and served as its president prior to entering Congress. Ed has also been an Assistant Professor at the Stanford Graduate School of Business and Harvard Business School. He serves on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and has special interest in U.S./Soviet relations, international trade and technology. (No official announcement)

Most candidates were in attendance at the recent Republican Party State Convention in San Diego where they hosted hospitality suites and worked the delegates for support and financial contributions. Fess Parker had scheduled a hospitality suite, later cancelled, and did not personally attend. This may have been because of some unavoidable conflict or may be an indication that he chooses not to run. Time will give us the answer to that and other questions about the staying power of the present crop of potential candidates. And, who knows, we possibly have not yet seen all the names.

Although a sizeable fallout in candidates is expected both prior to the time for filing and during the primary election, one thing seems to be certain — Republican voters will have a wide choice in June of 1986.

Interesting sidelights on this race are: (1) all members of Congress must surrender their seats in order to run; (2) as State Senators, Campbell and Davis have "free rides" since they are between terms; (3) Naylor must surrender his Assembly seat; (4) Antonovich has a "free ride" as Supervisor but would have to resign as Chairman of the California Republican Party; (5) Herschensohn may be constrained for time because of his employment, but Parker could devote as much time as his personal business and inclination would allow and Laffer would seem to fall somewhere between the two; (6) Zschau

and Parker would seem to be best situated in terms of privately financing their primary campaigns.

The final comment, however, is perhaps the most important of all — the Republican Party must not take for granted the defeat of Alan Cranston. Despite the tarnishing of his image in 1984, despite his age and gaunt appearance (one politico described Cranston as looking two weeks past dead), Alan Cranston is a vigorous, active man who is not short on political savvy and he has proved more than once that he is not an easy opponent. And he is a U.S. Senator and the power of incumbency is not to be underestimated. Let us then work for the primary candidate of our choice, but after the primary, let us also unite in common purpose to elect one more Republican Senator from the State of California.

Further Political Updates

Governor - latest poll shows Bradley slightly ahead of Deukmejian. The poll, however, was taken prior to the recent close of the legislative session which most observers rate as a success for the Governor. . . also prior to the flap over militant Black Muslim, Louis Farrakhan's speech at the Inglewood Forum which incensed the Jewish community because of Bradley's neutrality.

Lt. Governor - Orange County Supervisor and former Assemblyman, Bruce Nestande, and Assemblyman Don Sebastiani of Sonoma are the leading contenders for the Republican nomination. There is also a strong indication that former Lt. Governor, Mike Curb may enter the race. This seat could be of major importance since if the incumbent, Democrat Leo McCarthy, is re-elected, it would adversely affect consideration of Deukmejian for national office in 1988.

Controller - Assemblyman Phil Wyman and State Board of Equalization member, Ernie Dronenberg, are taking a hard look at the race. Incumbent, Ken Cory, is seen as vulnerable because of his involvement in the State Teachers Retirement Fund investment scandal.

Fresno County Sheriff's Race

Although there have been no official announcements, the battle to succeed retiring Sheriff Hal McKinney is certain to contain at least two of the three unofficial candidates — Clovis Police Chief Gerald Galvin, Assistant Sheriff Steve Magarian and Sheriff Captain Richard Pierce. Also mentioned is D.A. Investigator/Supervisor Tony Braga and former candidate, Gerald Lawless. All these potential candidates are registered Republicans.



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CONGRESSIONAL VOTE RATINGS AND ATTENDANCE

Illustrated below are vote ratings of the three Congressmen representing the heart of the San Joaquin Valley. These ratings are not all inclusive. The ratings are based on selected votes by the various organizations listed. They merely indicate the particular organization's interpretation of the philosophical leanings of the Congressman as it relates to legislation of interest as identified by the organization.

ORGANIZATION		CONGRESS 15th C.D. TONY COELHO (D) ELECTED 1978						CONGRESS 17th C.D. CHIP PASHAYAN (R) ELECTED 1978						CONG. 18th C.D. RICK LEHMAN (D) ELECTED 1982	
	YEAR	'79	'80	81	82	83	84	'79	'80	81	82	83	84	83	84
1) Congressional Quarterly VOTING ATTENDANCE	O/O	87%	87%	94%	91%	87%	88%	88%	85%	82%	93%	85%	91%	92%	88%
	VOTES	672	604	353	459	498	408	672	604	353	459	498	408	498	408
PRESIDENTIAL SUPPORT	O/O	72%	74%	47%	44%	28%	23%	34%	41%	68%	71%	73%	57%	22%	23%
	VOTES	145	117	76	77	82	113	145	117	76	77	82	113	82	113
PRESIDENTIAL OPPOSITION	O/O	22%	16%	49%	52%	62%	64%	54%	45%	13%	22%	21%	36%	76%	64%
	VOTES	145	117	76	77	82	113	145	117	76	77	82	113	82	113
PARTY UNITY	O/O	77%	82%	81%	81%	83%	85%	77%	67%	75%	82%	77%	80%	91%	81%
	VOTES	318	227	132	167	277	192	318	227	132	167	277	192	277	192
PARTY OPPOSITION	O/O	13%	7%	17%	11%	4%	3%	13%	15%	13%	14%	9%	12%	4%	7%
	VOTES	318	227	132	167	277	192	318	227	132	167	277	192	277	192
Conservative Coalition SUPPORT	O/O	38%	15%	47%	37%	21%	20%	82%	73%	75%	81%	85%	88%	15%	20%
	VOTES	144	95	75	73	89	59	144	95	75	73	89	59	89	59
Conservative Coalition OPPOSITION	O/O	55%	72%	52%	59%	64%	71%	8%	13%	5%	14%	4%	10%	79%	71%
	VOTES	144	95	75	73	89	59	144	95	75	73	89	59	89	59
2) ADA	O/O	58%	72%	55%	65%	75%	80%	11%	11%	5%	15%	0%	10%	80%	85%
	VOTES	19	18	20	20	20	20	19	18	20	20	20	20	20	20
3) AFL-CIO	O/O	65%	71%	73%	78%	100%	85%	35%	21%	21%	25%	6%	31%	100%	77%
	VOTES	20	8	15	13	17	13	20	8	15	13	17	13	17	13
4) CCUS	O/O	41%	60%	32%	33%	33%	47%	82%	75%	94%	76%	82%	88%	30%	50%
	VOTES	18	34	19	22	20	16	18	34	19	22	20	16	20	16
5) ACA-RI	O/O	13%	9%	22%	23%	13%	15%	79%	77%	77%	91%	100%	100%	15%	20%
	VOTES	26	34	24	23	28	21	26	24	24	23	28	21	28	21

* 1979-80 - Jimmy Carter President

1) Congressional Quarterly is a weekly publication that follows Congressional and Administration Activities. It is published by Congressional Quarterly Inc., an editorial research service and publishing company.

2) ADA (Americans for Democratic Action) is a private organization of citizens of liberal persuasion

3) AFL-CIO (American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations) is an umbrella organization of trade and service unions throughout the United States

4) CCUS (Chamber of Commerce of the United States)

5) ACA-RI (Americans for Constitutional Action Research Institute) is a private organization of citizens of conservative persuasion

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Calendar of Events

Fresno County

Central Committee - Second Wednesday each month, 7:30 pm, State Bldg., 2550 Mariposa St., Fresno. Contact Ruel Williams Chairman, 439-3303.

Fresno County and City Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon meeting, Fri., Sept. 27, 11:30 am, Tornino's, 508 N. Blackstone, Fresno. Contact Rose Barrett, Pres., 439-3620, or Frances Bradshaw, 224-9708.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California - Meets at the Refectory in Fresno first Sunday each month, 4:30 pm. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres., 275-2968.

Fresno Republican Assembly - Fourth Wednesday every month, Fashion Fair Community Room, Fashion Fair, Fresno, 6 pm. Contact Charles Casey, Pres., 435-5407.

Fresno Young Republicans - Third Wednesday each month, 6:30 pm, Pearson Realty, 2550 W. Shaw, Fresno. Contact Don Nelson, Membership Chr., 264-7687, or Kelly McNeil, Treas., 222-4481.

Teenage Republicans (TARS) of Fresno - Bi-monthly, late afternoon meetings. Contact Alex Marashian, President, 435-7139.

Third Annual Bill Jones Golf Tournament Fundraiser - Monday, Sept. 30, 12 noon, Sunnyside Country Club, \$175/player. Advance reservations required; call Terry Stone, 225-3664.

Deukmejian Campaign Committee Fundraiser Dinner - Thursday, Oct. 17, 6:30 pm, Centre Plaza Holiday Inn, \$250 per person. Contact Richard Peters, 442-4484, or Chuck Poochigian, 252-7271.

Kern County

Central Committee - Meets second Tuesday each month, 7 pm. Contact Martha Fallgatter, Chairman, 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women Federated - Meets second Tuesday each month, noon at Red Lion Inn. Contact President Mar Piland, 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kings County

Central Committee - Meetings held last Monday each month, 12 noon, Sportsman Club, 1826 N. Douty, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chairman, 584-2611.

Kings County Republican Fundraiser - October 7, 6:30 pm at the home of Les and Carolyn Brown, 19800 Hanford/Armona Rd Lemoore. Contact Chairman Terry Harper, 584-2611, or Vice Chairman, Nick Kinney, 584-3391.

Madera County

Madera County Republican Party - Meets first Monday each month, noon, at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G St., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chairman, 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon at Madera County Library, 121 N. G. St in Blanche Galloway Room. Contact President Sue Glunz, 674-8220.

Merced County

Central Committee - Meeting date, Wednesday, October 18, 7:30 pm, Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 4. Contact Chairman Baker Ring, 723-9892, or Chuck Meyer, 722-1541.

Merced Republican Women Federated - Meets third Monday each month at the Branding Iron 16th St., Merced, beginning at 11:30 am. Contact Colleen Nordman, 383-0422, or President Linda Kollman, 723-6962.

San Joaquin County

Central Committee - Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 pm, San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parsons, Exec. Director, 948-8102.

San Joaquin County Republican Central Committee, under the auspices of the Sierra-Central Valley Republican Caucus presents the 1985 REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL FORUM, October 19, San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, 6:30 pm. No Hostess Cocktails, 7:30 Dinner, 8:30 Forum. Cost: \$25 per person, including dinner. Contact Don Parsons, Exec. Director, S.J.C. Republican Central Comm. or Joan Recca, Chr., Sierra-Central Valley Rep. Caucus, 576-7280.

Stanislaus County

Central Committee - Meets fourth Monday each month. September meeting will be held at Stanislaus Implement, F Street Modesto. Contact Jim Dignan, Chr., 838-3564.

Modesto Republican Women's Club - Regular meetings held second Monday each month. Contact Sheila Carrol, 523-2016 for location and time.

Modesto Rep. Women's Club 9th Annual Bar-B-Q, Sunday, Sept. 29, 4-8 pm, Fisherman's Club, Maze Blvd., Modesto. Contact President Sheila Carrol, 523-2016.

Tulare County

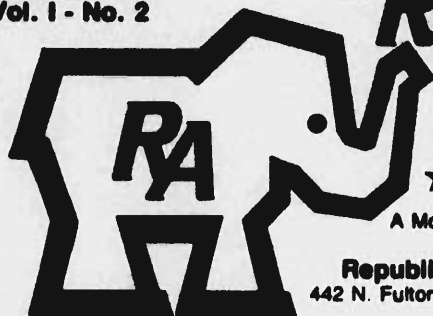
Central Committee - Second Tuesday each month, 7:30 pm, Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett, Jr., Chairman, 784-1311.

Tulare County Republican Central Committee Dinner - October 18, 7:30 pm, Exeter Memorial Bldg., Exeter. Speaker: Former Senator Hawakaya. Contact: Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000, or Marilee Frame, 733-3835.

Visalia Republican Women's Federated - First Monday every other month. Next meeting November. Contact Marilee Frame, Pres., 733-3835, or Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000.

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What You Always Wanted To Know About The Republican Party But Were Afraid To Ask!

Many Republicans, even staunch, committed ones such as our R/A supporters, and others who may have been active for many years, have not been exposed to the full range of party activities. It is not unusual for an activist Republican to devote his or her efforts to only one segment of party activity and to be unaware of what is going on elsewhere. In an effort to keep our members informed, R/A offers a brief overview of the Republican Party structure and its allied organizations.

What is "The Republican Party?" To begin with, there is no one Republican Party; instead, there are, in fact, fifty Republican Parties. Each state has a Republican Party which is incorporated according to the laws of that particular state and subject to individual state rules and regulations which determine structure and operation.

The closest thing to a national Republican Party is the Republican National Committee (RNC) which is made up of representatives from the individual states. The RNC has a Washington headquarters and coordinates activities of national scope such as the Republican National Convention every four years. In the interim, the RNC is a service and support organization for the state parties and Republican officeholders and candidates. In addition, they publicize the Republican viewpoint on national issues.

Other than setting the rules for representation and participation in the national convention, the RNC has no power over the individual states. The states are autonomous bodies and can thumb their noses at the national leadership, if they so choose. This peculiar fact of party structure accounted for the wide diversity which existed for many years within the Democratic Party wherein the state parties in the South were distinct in tone and direction from the state parties in the North.

The current RNC Chair is Frank Fahrenkopf from Nevada. Headquarters are at 310 First Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003.

Is that all there is at the national level, then? No, it is a little more complicated. There are national Republican volunteer organizations (more on that later) but, in addition to the RNC, the primary power and influence is wielded by, one, any incumbent Republican President (in this case, President Reagan) and, two, The Republican Senatorial and Congressional Campaign Committees.

A newly-elected President has immense power within his party. He is the titular head of the party while in office. He sets the political agenda, its tone and direction. And in party affairs, his

wish is more often than not the command. This includes everything from his choice of the RNC National Chair to broad policy matters.

The Republican Senatorial and Congressional Campaign Committees, each in its own sphere, also wield considerable influence. These committees are made up of the official elected party representatives at the national level. Their power externally comes from the legislative domain—they have the votes in Congress—and the President and the party must deal with them as independent agents. Internally, their power comes from the fact that campaigns cost so much money and each committee carries on extensive fundraising activities. Their ability to financially help either their own incumbent legislators or aspiring candidates gives a large measure of influence.

There are two national Republican volunteer organizations. The oldest and by far the largest, most organized and effective is the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW). It encompasses all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. The national membership is 160,000 with the California Federation of Republican Women representing 19% (30,000 members).

The second national volunteer group is the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF). Affiliated with the YRNF are the College Republicans. Teenage Republicans (TARS) come under the auspices of various groups such as the YRs and the Federation of Republican Women, depending on location.

There are other national groups which work to elect Republican candidates and coordinate with the party such as Citizens For The Republic (formed by President Reagan in 1977), but they are not official party organizations.

OK, What about our state party and its structure? The California Republican Party (CRP) is "the" party, recognized in law as being the official Republican political body in this state. The CRP is charged with governing all official Republican affairs within the state not otherwise dictated by statute.

Originally known as the Republican State Central Committee, the California Republican Party has a voting membership composed of two basic groups. The primary group consists of all elected state officials (Constitutional officers such as the Governor, etc. and members of the State Assembly and Senate); elected members of Congress and the U.S. Senate; Chairs of the 58 Republican

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County Central Committees; and all unelected Republican nominees for state and national office from the most recent general election.

The second group of voting members consists of appointments. Each elected state or national official is authorized to make seven individual appointments and each unelected nominee can make three appointments. Each Republican County Central Committee is entitled to two appointments in addition to the Chair. All appointments, when considered in total with the person making the appointments, must reflect an even division of men and women.

The CRP holds a major convention meeting every two years in the odd-numbered years for the purpose of electing state officers. The CRP has three divisions, North, Central and South, and in addition to the normal officers, three Vice-Chairs are elected from the respective division, plus a Chair of the County Central Committee Chairman's group. Also elected are a National Committeeman and a National Committeewoman who serve as representatives on the Republican National Committee.

The current CRP State Chair is Mike Antonovich, Supervisor from Los Angeles County. The current CRP Vice Chair is Bill Park from Bakersfield. The Vice Chair traditionally moves up to the Chairmanship.

CRP offices are at 400 W. Burbank Blvd., Burbank, CA 91505 (phone: 818-841-5210) and 1228 N Street, Suite 14, Sacramento, CA 95814 (phone: 916-443-0967). The CRP has recently purchased an office building at 1901-03 West Magnolia Boulevard in Burbank which will ultimately serve as a permanent headquarters location.

So what about state volunteer organizations? Once again, the women head the list. The California Federation of Republican Women (CFRW) has not only been the educational arm of the party, but is, in fact, the "backbone" of the party in terms of volunteer effort. CFRW has a North, Central and Southern Division with 289 individual clubs statewide and 30,000 members. During the 1984 election over 332,000 homes were contacted by CFRW.

In addition to CFRW and the California Young Republicans, there are three other statewide volunteer organizations. The largest and oldest is the California Republican Assembly. The other two, United Republicans of California and the California Republican League were formed during the 1960s' period of ideological warfare. All these volunteer groups except for the CFRW may and do make pre-primary endorsements of candidates.

OK, now what about county structure? The basic building block of the Republican Party system is the individual County Central Committee. California law governs all qualified parties within the state and the law requires each recognized party to establish a governing body (Central Committee) within each county. Members are elected every two years at the June primary election. Central Committee candidates appear on the ballot by supervisorial district. In addition, incumbent Republican legislators and/or current nominees of the party for state and national office become automatic members of the committee.

The County Central Committee is the official governing body for the party at the local level. It can raise money, donate to campaigns, pass resolutions and transact such other business as it deems to be in the interest of the party. A Central Committee may (per recent ruling) make an endorsement in a nonpartisan race but may not make a pre-primary endorsement of a candidate in a partisan race. Other organizations such as Republican Associates, Young Republicans, TARS, Federated Republican

Women, California Republican Assembly, etc. are volunteer organizations and are not required by state law as is the County Central Committee.

The names and addresses of the Chairs of the valley Republican County Central Committees are listed below for your information and convenience.

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R/A Newsletter

The first issue of the R/A Newsletter "Republican Spoken Here" was received with enthusiasm and complimented for its professional and informative approach. R/A's goal is to publicize and popularize Republican principles and personalities in our valley and to furnish factual information for use in making public the true voting records of the local Democratic legislators.

Many who are not annual contributors may want to help and are interested in remaining informed about valley politics and R/A activities. The R/A Newsletter (only) is now being offered at an annual subscription rate of \$40. The enclosed contributor form may be used to apply for a newsletter subscription.

First Quarterly R/A Luncheon

The first quarterly R/A luncheon will be held on Thursday, November 21 in Fresno at the Hilton Hotel Skyroom, 1055 Van Ness Avenue. Free parking is available in the Courthouse underground garage. A no-host bar will be available from 11:30 to 12:00 noon and the lunch program will be from 12:00 to 1:30 PM. Price for lunch is \$10 per person, including tax and tip.

In addition to a Republican mystery guest, part of the program will be an R/A update—what we are doing, how, why and who is involved. Come meet your fellow R/A supporters and the R/A team. Your R/A certificate and contributor card will be available at the luncheon (our first 100 contributors will receive framed certificates). For reservations, please call Jean Schwafel at 264-2129, or mail your check to R/A, 442 N. Fulton, Fresno, CA 93701. Deadline for reservations is Monday, Nov. 18.

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Rose Bird & the Supreme Court

Further rulings from the California Supreme Court continue to hamper our ability to convict and punish violent criminals. In the Weidert case decision in September, Chief Justice Bird, joined by Associate Justices Cruz Reynoso and Joseph Grodin, reversed a life without parole penalty for the 1980 murder of a crime witness.

Kern County District Attorney Edward Jagels, Steering Committee Chairman of Crime Victims For Court Reform, stated: "The Weidert decision is probably the most incredible evasion in which the Supreme Court has thus far engaged. It is one more example of the lengths to which the Bird Court will go to prevent the imposition of a statute it philosophically opposes.

Bird and her allies essentially are saying that if someone murders a witness to prevent him from testifying against an adult, that murderer may suffer the penalties of death or life without parole. But, if the same murderer kills a witness to prevent his testifying against a juvenile, neither penalty applies," Jagels said.

Crime Victims For Court Reform is a citizen's committee organized to obtain a "NO" vote on Chief Justice Rose Bird and Associate Justices Cruz Reynoso and Joseph Grodin in November, 1986. At that time the three Justices will come before the voters for confirmation to serve additional 12 year terms on the State's highest court. Their confirmation is part of California's normal electoral process—it is not a recall.

Crime Victims For Court Reform (CVCR) is a non-partisan association composed primarily of crime victims. Additional committee members include law enforcement personnel, District Attorneys, criminal prosecutors, and community and business leaders. CVCR was initially formed because many people are tired of seeing criminals receive preferential treatment and because they want to see a court system which protects victims and their families as well as those accused or convicted of crimes.

CVCR opposes the confirmation of Chief Justice Rose Bird because she has politicized the Supreme Court, repeatedly shown a bias in rulings in criminal cases, and hurt law enforcement efforts. Statistics indicate that the Chief Justice has ruled for the defendant in 87% of the criminal cases she has heard and 100% of the time in cases involving the death penalty. Additionally, her rulings in civil cases have undermined individual property rights.

Because her confirmation is strongly opposed by California voters (the latest California Field Poll shows opposition by a 47 to 38 percent margin, with only 15 percent undecided), Rose Bird is mounting an early political drive with campaign contributions approaching the million dollar mark. It is estimated that in order to offset the incumbency factor, her anticipated huge campaign war-chest and her rock-solid liberal support which includes the endorsement of several Hollywood stars, the opposition campaign will cost \$3 million.

In an effort to raise the funds necessary for the defeat of Chief Justice Rose Bird and her allies, Reynoso and Grodin, the Local committees of Crime Victims For Court Reform are having two fundraisers in early December.

The Fresno/Madera County fundraiser will be held on Thursday, December 5. This will be a reception at the home of Octavia Diener in Fresno, 6-8 PM, \$250 per person. Please contact Jan Lagrand at 297-8261 (Fresno) for further information.

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If you are unable to attend either reception, contributions may be sent to CVCR, P.O. Box 4615, Fresno, CA 93744. Please make checks payable to Crime Victims For Court Reform. Donations of any amount will help to return impartial logic and reason to our California Supreme Court.

Of Legislative Interest

At the national level four major issues face Congress before adjournment—final passage of a farm bill, foreign import restrictions, tax reform and the Gramm/Rudman deficit cutting measure.

The farm bill will be passed and its provisions will have a major impact on our valley due to our agriculture base. Depending on the total dollars involved and specific provisions, the bill may face a Presidential veto.

The clamor for severe foreign import restrictions has calmed somewhat, but the problems have not disappeared. Look for some legislation oriented to specific products or industries rather than a broadbased approach. However, unless the trade deficit narrows and industries hurt by imports recover, 1986 could bring a resurgence of protectionist sentiment.

Tax reform is basically dead for 1985 and possibly even 1986. Despite the President's efforts, this issue has not caught fire as too many interests are involved. The complexity of the present tax code is atrocious, but the complexity is based on some special tax break for nearly everyone and nobody wants to give up their special treatment. A "loophole" is the other guy's tax break; the one you get is "fairness." This does not mean that we will not get a "tax reform" bill, just that it will not resemble anything that the President originally proposed.

The most interesting fight going on in Congress now is the debate and maneuvering over the Gramm/Rudman deficit cutting measure. After quelling a filibuster attempt, the Republican leadership in the Senate passed the measure and sent it to the House. Of note is that Senator Ted Kennedy voted for it in opposition to the Democrat Party leadership. Of course, Alan Cranston was opposed as he usually is to anything which may restrict government spending.

The Gramm/Rudman bill basically calls for setting deficit reduction targets which will call for spending reductions in order to meet them. If Congress and the President are unable to agree on specific spending reductions, then reductions will automatically be made across the board, thus affecting both social programs and the military budget. Social Security is not included for possible reduction.

Because the House is tightly controlled by Tip O'Neil, Tony Coelho and the Democratic leadership, you can look for a flurry of changes to be presented in Conference Committee. One possible Democrat tactic would be to lower the deficit targets, thus increasing chances that the bill's passage would require painful actions by the President before next year's elections.



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A JOB THAT NEEDS DOING

While volunteer organizations are, and should continue to be, a most important cog in the Republican Party gear-works, there is a need for a catalyst to provide the resources, communication network, and educational programs needed to enhance their individual efforts and supply a focal point for long range development of mutual goals and objectives.

Republican Associates fills that void. By offering a permanent information repository and resource center, **R/A** functions as both a clearing house and communications arm for the benefit of all Republican organizations and interested individuals.

Republican Associates is a private, non-profit corporation governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees. **R/A** employs a full time Executive Director to coordinate day-to-day activities and utilizes the services of a professional consulting firm to develop and monitor **R/A** programs and activities.

Funding for all operations is provided by supporters who contribute in the interest of Republican Party unity and long range development.

We at **R/A** are mindful of the fact that many of you receive numerous requests for contributions from other political organizations and candidates. This age of computerization and sophisticated direct mail has seemingly reduced the

uniqueness and importance of the individual. Every request looks the same. And often we overlook an opportunity to really make a difference.

Republican Associates can make a difference — for you, for our valley, for our Party. In addition to this Newsletter, **R/A** maintains an Information Center and Research Library and provides Candidate Encouragement and Assistance. We sponsor Republican Speakers and Campaign Workshops and Seminars and Courses in Practical Politics. And we offer a common meeting ground for interested, dedicated Republicans in our valley.

R/A does not: (1) select or endorse candidates; (2) finance or solicit contributions for candidates or political committees; or (3) initiate, endorse or contribute to political legislation or causes. **R/A's** unique job is as an information resource tool — to publicize and popularize the Republican Party, its principles and its candidates — and to also make public the Democratic record with facts and figures instead of rhetoric.

If you are not a contributor, we invite you to join in our cause and help us to make a difference right here in our own back yard. If you are already a supporter, we ask you to show this newsletter to your Republican friends and ask them to help. Together, we can make a difference.

Why YOUR participation in Republican Associates is Important.

1. Because you believe in good government.
2. To make a difference right here in the San Joaquin Valley.
3. To support a permanent organization that is devoted to getting more Republicans interested and involved in politics.
4. To help elect more Republicans to all levels of public office.
5. To assist an organization whose sole interest is the

6. Republican Party and not political personalities.
7. To provide a central location where San Joaquin Valley Republicans who are interested in running for public office can go to get information and straight answers.
8. To provide continuity of purpose and networking among Republican organizations and supporters.
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CONGRESSIONAL VOTE RATINGS AND ATTENDANCE

Illustrated below are vote ratings of the two United States Senators representing California. These ratings are not all inclusive. The ratings are based on selected votes by the various organizations listed. They merely indicate the particular organization's interpretation of the philosophical leanings of the Senators as it relates to legislation of interest as identified by the organization.

ORGANIZATION	U.S. SENATE - CALIFORNIA PETE WILSON ELECTED 1982							U.S. SENATE - CALIFORNIA ALAN CRANSTON							
	YEAR	83	84					'79	'80	81	82	83	84		
1) Congressional Quarterly VOTING ATTENDANCE	O/O	98%	98%					95%	85%	88%	89%	56%	78%		
	VOTES	371	275					496	531	483	465	371	275		
PRESIDENTIAL SUPPORT	O/O	78%	84%					77%	63%	38%	26%	28%	19%		
	VOTES	85	77					161	116	128	119	85	77		
PRESIDENTIAL OPPOSITION	O/O	18%	14%					16%	10%	48%	66%	40%	81%		
	VOTES	85	77					161	116	128	119	85	77		
PARTY UNITY	O/O	90%	93%					83%	81%	77%	81%	55%	74%		
	VOTES	162	110					232	243	231	202	162	110		
PARTY OPPOSITION	O/O	9%	5%					28%	6%	10%	10%	7%	7%		
	VOTES	162	110					232	243	231	202	162	110		
Conservative Coalition SUPPORT	O/O	86%	89%					15%	6%	10%	7%	7%	13%		
	VOTES	44	47					91	106	104	94	44	47		
Conservative Coalition OPPOSITION	O/O	7%	6%					81%	89%	74%	84%	52%	72%		
	VOTES	44	47					91	106	104	94	44	47		
2) ADA	O/O	15%	10%					79%	83%	85%	95%	75%	95%		
	VOTES	20	20					19	18	20	20	20	20		
3) AFL-CIO	O/O	6%	0%					88%	88%	91%	92%	100%	100%		
	VOTES	17	11					17	17	19	18	17	11		
4) CCUS	O/O	84%	94%					33%	22%	13%	11%	18%	20%		
	VOTES	19	19					11	42	18	21	19	19		
5) ACA-RI	O/O	84%	100%					4%	5%	6%	6%	0%	9%		
	VOTES	20	24					27	26	21	21	20	24		

* 1979-80 - Jimmy Carter President

1) Congressional Quarterly is a weekly publication that follows Congressional and Administration Activities. It is published by Congressional Quarterly Inc., an editorial research service and publishing company

2) ADA (Americans for Democratic Action) is a private organization of citizens of liberal persuasion

3) AFL-CIO (American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations) is an umbrella organization of trade and service unions throughout the United States

4) CCUS (Chamber of Commerce of the United States)

5) ACA-RI (Americans for Constitutional Action Research Institute) is a private organization of citizens of conservative persuasion

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Calendar of Events

Fresno County

Central Committee - Second Wednesday each month, 7:30 pm, State Bldg., 2550 Mariposa St., Fresno. Contact Ruel Williams, Chairman, 439-3303.

Fresno County and City Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon meeting, Wed., Nov. 13, 11:30 am, Tornino's, 5080 N. Blackstone, Fresno. Contact Rose Barrett, Pres., 439-3620 or Diane Berry, 276-2150.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California - First Sunday of each month, 4:30 pm, Refectory, 61 E. Shaw, Fresno. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres., 275-2968.

Fresno Republican Assembly - Board meeting, Thurs., Nov. 7, 6 pm, Safety First Security, 2350 No. Chestnut, Fresno. Regular meeting and election of officers, Thurs., Nov. 21, 7 pm, Smugglers Inn. Contact Chas. Casey, Pres., 435-5407.

Fresno Young Republicans - Third Wednesday each month, 6:30 pm, Pearson Realty, 2550 W. Shaw, Fresno. Contact Don Nelson, Membership Chr., 264-7687, or Kelly McNeil, Treas., 222-4481.

Teenage Republicans - Bi-monthly meetings, 5-6 pm, Warren home, 1507 W. Locust, Fresno. Contact: Alex Marashian, Pres., 435-7139.

Crime Victims For Court Reform (see Rose Bird article) fundraiser reception, Dec. 5. Contact Jan Lagrand, 297-8261.

Central Division, CFRW - Convention, Oct. 28 - 29, Picadilly Inn, University, Fresno.

Supervisor Deran Koligian fundraiser, steak BBQ at Portuguese Hall, 6th & C, Kerman, Nov. 20, 6 pm, \$50 per couple, call 264-7436.

Senator Ken Maddy fundraiser at Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley, Nov. 16, 6 - 8 pm, \$100 per person, contact chuck Storm, (408) 646-0222.

Kern County

Central Committee - Second Tuesday of each month, 7 pm. Contact Martha Fallgatter, Chairman, 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women Federated - Second Tuesday each month, noon at Red Lion Inn. Contact Pres. Mary Piland, 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kern County Young Republicans - Monthly meetings, usually third Tuesday. Various meeting locations. Contact Jeff Berchtold, 323-8017 or 323-7817.

Kings County

Central Committee - Meetings held last Monday of each month.

noon, Sportsman's Club, 1826 No. 10th, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chr., 584-2611.

Crime Victims For Court Reform (see Rose Bird article) fundraiser reception, Dec. 10. Contact Loretta Montgomery, 584-6559.

Madera County

Madera County Republican Party - Meets first Monday each month, noon, at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G St., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chairman, 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon at Madera County library, 121 No. G St. in Blanche Galloway Room. Contact Sue Glunz, Pres., 674-8220.

Crime Victims For Court Reform (see Rose Bird article) fundraiser reception, Dec. 5. Contact Jan Lagrand, 297-8261.

Merced County

Central Committee - meetings held third Wednesday of each month, 7:30 pm, Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 11, Merced. Contact Chairman Baker Ring, 723-9892 or Chuck Meyer, 722-1541.

Merced Republican Women Federated - Meets third Monday each month at the Branding Iron, 16th St., Merced, 11:30 am. Contact President Linda Kollman, 723-6962, or Colleen Nordman, 383-0422.

San Joaquin County

Central Committee - Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 pm, San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parsons, Exec. Director, 948-8102.

Stanislaus County

Central Committee - Meets fourth Monday each month. Contact Chairman Jim Dignan, 838-3564.

Modesto Republican Women's Club - Meetings held second Monday each month, 11:30 am. Contact Sheila Carrol, Pres., 523-2016 for location and details.

Tulare County

Central Committee - Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 pm, Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett, Jr., Chairman, 784-1311.

Visalia Republican Women's Federated - Meets first Monday every other month. Next meeting November. Contact Marilee Frame, Pres., 733-3835, or Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000.

Crime Victims For Court Reform (see Rose Bird article) fundraiser reception, Dec. 10. Contact Loretta Montgomery, 584-6559.

Campaign Support School

On October 12, Fresno hosted a Campaign Support School for central California Republicans. The program and arrangements were coordinated by Mrs. Jean Schwafel, Executive Director of Republican Associates, and financial support was provided by the California Republican Party, CRP South Central Caucus, California Federation of Republican Women, Congressman Chip Pashayan, State Senator Ken Maddy and Assemblyman Bill Jones.

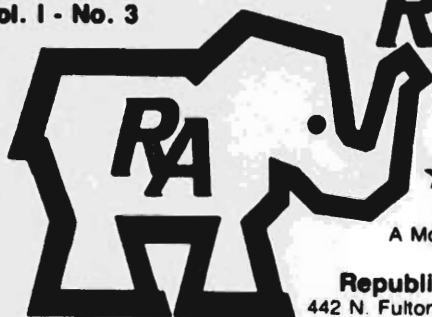
The seminar opened with a short film relating the details of the contested Indiana Congressional seat in which the Republican candidate, twice certified as the election winner by the State of Indiana, was refused his seat in the House of Representatives and then arbitrarily replaced with a Democrat by Tip O'Neil, Tony

Coelho, Rick Lehman and the Democrat House leadership. The CSS program then dealt with the basic "nuts and bolts" of political campaigning: How to Organize a Headquarters; Telephone Bank operations; How to Find, Recruit and Motivate Volunteers; Precinct Organization; Absentee Ballots; and Precinct Prioritization. Thanks go to Martha Fallgatter, Jo-Ann Slinkard, Lynn Joyner, Rosemary Ramsey, Bill Park, Bob Jennings and Jean Schwafel for their help and participation in presenting the program.

The luncheon speaker was Mike Antonovich, current Chairman of the California Republican Party and an announced candidate for the U.S. Senate. Master of Ceremonies for both the luncheon and the CSS program was Chuck Poochigian, former Fresno County Co-Chair for the 1984 Reagan/Bush Campaign. Republican Associates will continue to develop and present workshops and seminars which provide practical knowledge to help elect Republicans to office.

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Help Governor Deukmejian Set The Record Straight

In hope that a campaign of misinformation will hide his own sorry record, Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley twists the facts on Governor Deukmejian's prison program. The Duke needs our help now.

In recent weeks, Bradley has traveled around the state, accusing Governor Deukmejian of bungling California's new prison expansion program. First, Bradley charged that not a single new cell had been built. Proved wrong on that count, the Mayor's new charge is that no new prison has been built, and that Governor Deukmejian has advocated the early release of 16,000 state prison inmates.

The Mayor is still wrong. Dead wrong. Here are the facts:

There would be no prison expansion program at all if it were not for the leadership of George Deukmejian. It is his efforts that won enactment of two major expansion programs in three years, the first in over two decades.

3,200 permanent beds have already been built since Duke took over, along with many other temporary beds. 15,000 new beds will be on line by the end of next year. A new prison at Vacaville was opened in August 1984. The state's first new maximum security prison in 50 years will be operational by early next year.

One reason we have so many violent criminals in state prison is because as a legislator, Attorney General and Governor, George Deukmejian sent them there with his tough mandatory sentencing laws and new common sense judges. The Governor does not advocate early release of state prisoners, and anyone who says so has been asleep during the entire course of Duke's 23-year crime fighting career.

Why is Tom Bradley distorting the public safety record of one of the greatest crime fighters California has ever had? Simple. His own record is so bad!

During his tenure as Mayor, Tom Bradley has presided over a decline in the number of authorized police officers in Los Angeles, one of the major crime centers of our state. When the City Council voted recently to add a measly 100 officers to the force, Mayor Bradley killed the plan with his veto!

38% of all state prison inmates come from Los Angeles, yet Los Angeles has no state prison. Governor Deukmejian supports a downtown Los Angeles prison site. Mayor Tom Bradley and a handful of other local officials have stood in the way. He refuses to show any leadership which would enable Los Angeles to bear its fair share of the burden in housing state prisoners.

What you can do.

Write letters to your local newspapers, call your area talk shows and share this information with your friends and colleagues:

Just as he has throughout his career, Governor George Deukmejian has shown outstanding leadership on public safety.

His reforms are responsible for getting thousands of additional violent, career criminals off the streets.

His leadership on prison expansion will ensure that there is room for these criminals and that we can continue to get more criminals off the streets.

Mayor Tom Bradley is completely distorting this record of accomplishment. He has misstated the facts about the progress of the prison program as well as the Governor's position on early release of prisoners.

Bradley has provided no leadership of his own in providing for a state prison in Los Angeles, even though L.A. produces 38% of the state prison inmates.

And while George Deukmejian was passing strict mandatory sentencing laws and appointing tough judges to the bench, Tom Bradley was cutting the size of the Los Angeles police force.

Those are the facts. Help us set the record straight today.

(The preceding information is taken from Action Alert published by the California Republican Party.)

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R/A Birth Announcement



The formation of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates was officially announced on October 24 at a news conference held in R/A offices. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Ernie Mobley, and Trustee, Earl Smittcamp, were joined by Executive Director, Jean Schwafel, in explaining the function and plans of R/A.

Hats Off To Volunteers



Although R/A is supervised by a full-time Executive Director, Republican Associates could not do its job without the assistance of the many dedicated volunteers who help support our efforts. Above from left to right: Lillian Potts, Rafaela Padilla, Fran Bradshaw, and Lillian Rostain.



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Importance of Local Races

One of the basic political facts of life which, unfortunately, the Democrats recognize and understand far better than most Republicans is the vital importance of local, non-partisan, elective office. Not only do these local offices have a great deal to do with the amount we pay in taxes or the rules and regulations which govern our daily lives, but, equally as important, they are normally the stepping stones to higher political office.

To run for the State Assembly or State Senate or Congress is a formidable task. It takes a good candidate, a good organization and lots of money. And the amount of money required is in direct proportion to the image and name identification established by the candidate. Even longtime, prominent citizens of a community usually have only small name identification with the general public. But a City Councilmember or a County Supervisor who has served one or two terms goes into a race with fairly high name I.D. plus an established base of support.

It is highly questionable whether Democrat Bruce Bronzan would now be serving in the State Assembly had he not first served as a Fresno County Supervisor. And had there been a Republican Supervisor as a candidate against Democrat Jim Costa, Costa, too, might not now be representing this valley in the Assembly. The point is that we Republicans must start to recognize the importance of electing Republicans to local, non-partisan office. They are a significant foundation for making the jump to higher partisan office.

Until recently, there was not one Republican on the Fresno City Council. In the past year we have elected two. How are things on your City Council and your Board of Supervisors? R/A will provide information and assistance to any Republican wishing to run for local, non-partisan office. It is part of our service.

The Defeat of Rose Bird

Crime Victims for Court Reform, a non-partisan citizen's group working for the defeat of Supreme Court Justice Rose Bird, launched their local campaign with a radio spot recorded by Fresno County District Attorney Ed Hunt. Hunt recapped the problems faced by law enforcement due to recent Supreme Court rulings and urged a "NO" vote on the confirmation of Justices Bird, Reynoso and Grodin.

It is estimated that this campaign to return impartial logic and reason to our California Supreme Court will cost \$3 million. Every dollar will count in this effort.

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If you are unable to attend, but would like to support the effort by making a financial contribution, please send your donation to Crime Victims for Court Reform, P.O. Box 4615, Fresno, CA 93744. Any amount, no matter how small, will be appreciated and will help return effective support for law enforcement to our court system.

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Reagan Judicial Appointments

President Reagan has an historic opportunity to appoint half the nation's federal judges by the end of his second term. But it will not be easy.

Most of the President's earlier appointments met with smooth sailing. The obvious credentials of his first term appointments forced even the ideological critics to respect them. However, finding an adequate supply of good people who have both the professional credentials and the conservative judicial philosophy which the President desires is difficult.

The liberal opposition to a change in court philosophy has also become more organized and vocal. Recent submissions for appointment are increasingly embroiled in controversy which not only delays confirmation but sometimes results in withdrawal.

Nevertheless, President Reagan and his appointments will have a marked and lasting effect on the federal judiciary. By only filling the existing vacancies, he will have appointed 298 of the 743 federal judges or 40% of the total. Over the next three years, additional vacancies should push the total to over 50%.

But it will be a struggle. Although the Democrats have in the past tracked these judicial nominations in a somewhat haphazard fashion, they are now more aware, more organized and more contentious.

Despite this fact, President Reagan will continue to make new appointments of judges who are committed to a less liberal, activist role in the federal judiciary. This one area may hold some of the most important, long term effects of the Reagan Presidency.

U.S Senate Race Update

The retirement of Republican Senators Paul Laxalt (Nevada) and Barry Goldwater (Arizona), combined now with that of Senator Charles Mathias (Maryland), makes it even more imperative that California replace Democrat Senator Alan Cranston. Thirty-four seats are at stake in 1986—22 Republican and 12 Democrat. Since the Republican vote margin is only 53 to 47, the Democrats are expected to make an all-out effort to regain control of the U.S. Senate.

On the California scene, a recent poll by Decision Making Information (DMI), which does polling for President Reagan and other Republicans, shows that only 39% of Californians would vote to re-elect Alan Cranston while 57% responded that they wanted a new U.S. Senator. One of the points which can be used against Cranston is voting attendance. His 1983 voting attendance dropped to 56% and in 1984 was only 78%. This record in effect shows him to be a parttime Senator who is not adequately representing the State of California.

The previously mentioned DMI poll taken in October also shows the following GOP Senatorial candidate preferences: Ed Davis (17%), Fess Parker (11%), Mike Antonovich (10%), Bruce Herschensohn (6%), Bobbi Fiedler (6%), Bill Campbell (5%), Art Laffer (4%), Bob Naylor (4%), Ed Zschau (3%), Dan Lundgren (2%) and Bill Dannemeyer (2%). These early polling figures reflect present image and name identification with the voters. A fullfledged media campaign by any of these candidates would drastically alter future figures.

Musical Chairs May Equal Opportunity But Also Danger

By the time this newsletter is received, Assemblyman Jim Costa, who represents the 30th District, may have made his decision about challenging Republican Chip Pashayan for the 17th Congressional seat. If he decides to make the race, Costa's open seat will offer great opportunity for the Republican Party.

The caveat, however, is that the party must offer to the voters not only a good candidate in terms of personality and issues, but also needs a candidate with a base of support and the ability to raise the necessary funds for the race. R/A urges all Republicans to begin thinking now about this possibility. You can not start too early in a political campaign. Interested potential candidates may contact the R/A office for further information.

Depending upon which rumor you care to believe, Costa will make his decision either during the last week of November or by the first of the year. If Costa decides not to run, it is expected that John Hartnett, who is Administrative Assistant to Democratic Congressman Rick Lehman, will make the race against Pashayan. Hartnett is a political pro and with Lehman's backing will be a formidable candidate.

Because of Democrat Congressman Tony Coelho's active role in the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and his past record of funneling large sums of money to Democratic challengers attempting to unseat Republicans, we could expect that either Costa or Hartnett would be well-financed. An interesting note, however, is that Coelho and Lehman are allied with different groups within the Democratic Party and it may be that Coelho will not be too interested in promoting Hartnett who is a protege of Lehman.

In either case, whether the challenger be Costa or Hartnett, Congressman Pashayan must look forward to a rigorous campaign against a potentially dangerous opponent. Fending off either Costa or Hartnett will not be an easy task and Congressman Pashayan will need full support from the Republican Party and its workers.

First Quarterly R/A Luncheon

The very first quarterly R/A luncheon was held on Thursday, November 21, in the Skyroom of the Fresno Downtown Hilton Hotel.

Our first luncheon featured retired Superior Court Judge Blaine Pettit who gave a brief overview of the changes which have occurred in the Republican Party at both the local and national level from the 1950s through the 1980s. As a long time, staunch Republican who was an Assembly candidate in 1958 and Chairman of the Fresno County Republican Central Committee from 1961 to 1963, Judge Pettit offered personal insight into the triumphs and tribulations of our party during this period.

Also featured was Assemblyman Bill Jones who now represents the 32nd District, the same seat which Judge Pettit had run for twentyseven years ago. Assemblyman Jones gave a political update on the state situation while urging the continued support of our President and Governor. He offered his compliments and personal support for the efforts of Republican Associates in providing assistance to the party and its candidates.

The next quarterly luncheon will be on February 20, 1986. Invitations are being sent to all Republican U.S. Senate candidates inviting them to attend and to participate in a question and answer forum. By the latter part of February the crowded field of candidates should have narrowed to the most committed and viable contenders for Cranston's seat.

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There is something new—and an exciting promise for the Republican Party in the San Joaquin Valley.

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- How your elected representative voted on a bill?
- The election results in a particular county?
- What a person should consider when becoming a candidate?
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FOR %	93%	36%	86%	FOR %	70%	80%	60%	80%
AGAINST %	0%	43%	7%	AGAINST %	30%	0%	40%	0%
ABSENT OR N.V.	7%	21%	7%	ABSENT OR N.V.	0%	20%	0%	20%
1981 — STATE SENATE				1981 — STATE ASSEMBLY				
# OF VOTES: 11	MADDY	STIERN	VUICH	# OF VOTES: 14	COSTA	DUFFY	LEHMAN	ROGERS
FOR %	64%	27%	54%	FOR %	29%	64%	21%	72%
AGAINST %	9%	54%	37%	AGAINST %	64%	7%	79%	14%
ABSENT OR N.V.	27%	19%	9%	ABSENT OR N.V.	7%	29%	0%	14%
1982 — STATE SENATE				1982 — STATE ASSEMBLY				
# OF VOTES: 7	MADDY	STIERN	VUICH	# OF VOTES: 16	COSTA	DUFFY	LEHMAN	ROGERS
FOR %	28%	28%	72%	FOR %	12%	63%	6%	75%
AGAINST %	14%	58%	14%	AGAINST %	69%	25%	81%	6%
ABSENT OR N.V.	58%	14%	14%	ABSENT OR N.V.	19%	12%	13%	19%
1983 — STATE SENATE				1983 — STATE ASSEMBLY				
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FOR %	57%	57%	72%	FOR %	50%	50%	100%	83%
AGAINST %	14%	43%	14%	AGAINST %	33%	50%	0%	17%
ABSENT OR N.V.	29%	0%	14%	ABSENT OR N.V.	17%	0%	0%	0%
1984 — STATE SENATE				1984 STATE ASSEMBLY				
# OF VOTES: 12	MADDY	STIERN	VUICH	# OF VOTES: 14	BRONZAN	COSTA	JONES	ROGERS
FOR %	58%	33%	50%	FOR %	21%	57%	79%	86%
AGAINST %	25%	50%	50%	AGAINST %	64%	43%	7%	7%
ABSENT OR N.V.	17%	17%	0%	ABSENT OR N.V.	15%	0%	14%	7%
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# OF VOTES: 13	MADDY	STIERN	VUICH	# OF VOTES: 17	BRONZAN	COSTA	JONES	ROGERS
FOR %	62%	31%	62%	FOR %	6%	18%	71%	94%
AGAINST %	31%	54%	38%	FOR %	88%	18%	71%	94%
ABSENT OR N.V.	7%	15%	0%	ABSENT OR N.V.	6%	0%	12%	6%

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Kern County

Central Committee - Second Tuesday of each month, 7 pm. Contact Martha Fallgatter, Chairman, 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women Federated - Second Tuesday each month, noon at Red Lion Inn. Contact Pres. Mary Piland, 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kern County Young Republicans - Monthly meetings, usually third Tuesday. Various meeting locations. Contact Jeff Berchtold, 323-8017 or 323-7817.

Kings County

Central Committee - Meetings held last Monday of each month, noon, Sportsman's Club, 1826 No. 10th., Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chr., 584-2611.

Crime Victims For Court Reform (see Rose Bird article) fundraiser reception, Dec. 10. Contact Loretta Montgomery, 584-6559.

Madera County

Madera County Republican Party - Meets first Monday each month, noon, at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G St., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chairman, 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women's Federated - Monthly luncheon at Madera County library, 121 No. G St. in Blanche Galloway Room. Contact Sue Glunz, Pres., 674-8220.

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Merced County

Central Committee - meetings held third Wednesday of each month, 7:30 pm, Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 11, Merced. Contact Chairman Baker Ring, 723-9892 or Chuck Meyer, 722-1541.

Merced Republican Women Federated - Meets third Monday each month at the Branding Iron, 16th St., Merced, 11:30 am. Contact President Linda Kollman, 723-6962, or Colleen Nordman, 383-0422.

San Joaquin County

Central Committee - Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 pm, San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parsons, Exec. Director, 948-8102.

Stanislaus County

Central Committee - Meets fourth Monday each month. Contact Chairman Jim Dignan, 838-3564.

Modesto Republican Women's Club - Meetings held second Monday each month, 11:30 am. Contact Sheila Carrol, Pres., 523-2016 for location and details.

Tulare County

Central Committee - Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 pm, Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett, Jr., Chairman, 784-1311.

Visalia Republican Women's Federated - Meets first Monday every other month. Next meeting November. Contact Marilee Frame, Pres., 733-3835, or Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000.

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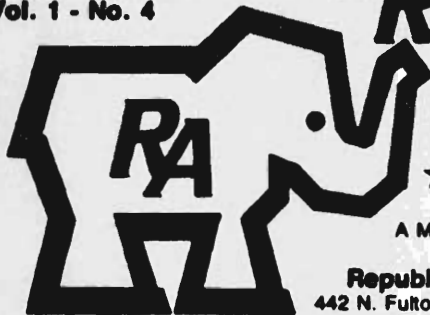
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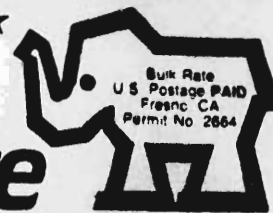
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A New Southern Strategy

A most interesting development has recently occurred in the Southern states. They now have a plan for choosing the next President of the United States. Before you laugh, or even smile too broadly, take a hard look at the logic of their strategy. It is simple in concept. It is direct. And it could be devastatingly effective.

Although there are complications and much groundwork to be done, the basic strategy is simply this: hold a Southern regional primary early in 1988. Doing so could place a major roadblock in the way of any Northern liberal who had presidential aspirations.

Consider the implications. By persuading only eleven Southern states to schedule their presidential primary elections, caucuses or state party conventions in the second week of March, 1988, the effect would be to create a Super-Southern Primary coming quickly after the Iowa caucuses and the traditional opening primary in New Hampshire.

This particular strategy was hatched by the leadership of the Southern Legislative Conference, which represents the legislatures of fifteen states. So far eleven of those states have indicated strong interest in the plan. They are determined to give the South a major role in the selection of the Republican and Democratic nominees for President in 1988. They expect to do so by forcing the various candidates to face and respond to the concerns of voters throughout the South early in the election year.

A huge share of the delegate votes needed to win the nomination of either party is held by the Southern states. Any serious candidate would then have to commit a large portion of his/her time and money to the South in an effort to garner these votes for the coming national conventions.

Additionally, a Super-Southern Primary would generate a huge amount of publicity for the region. The media would be constantly on the go following candidates from Maryland to Florida to Texas and throughout the South. Such an effort would bring not only publicity but also an influx of campaign related spending into the region.

Even more important, however, from the Southern perspective, presidential candidates would have to address the issues which are important to the region. By appealing to Southern sentiments, a candidate's campaign could receive an important early impetus

in the race for convention delegates. Winning big and winning early in the South would create momentum and aid in subsequent fundraising. Conversely, losing or even a mediocre showing could prove to be a fatal blow to a candidate's move toward the White House. By holding a Southern primary a full six months prior to the national conventions, the South would completely change the traditional strategy which has been relied on in the past.

The Iowa caucuses and the New Hampshire primary have often been used as a springboard by liberal candidates to launch their presidential campaigns. Witness Eugene McCarthy and George McGovern. A Southern primary would be expected to be more oriented toward a centrist or a conservative candidate. And this is what Southern leaders are looking for. They feel shut out of the national nomination process in both parties.

With the exception of Jimmy Carter, the South has had a dismal record of being able to win presidential nominations. Carter was an exceptional case in that he filled a leadership vacuum at a time when the Democrats were divided and disoriented with no outstanding candidates seeking the nomination. The Southern states mean to change that. Senator Howard Baker of Tennessee, Governor Charles Robb of Virginia, Governor Robert Graham of Florida, and Senator Sam Nunn of Georgia are all potential candidates for the presidency.

There are problems, however, such as getting the legislatures of eleven states to agree to shift their primary dates to the second week in March. Four states already hold their primaries or caucuses at this time. They are Alabama, Florida, Georgia and Oklahoma.

Regional primaries have been talked about before and not just in the South, but although the idea sounds wonderful to folks with a parochial viewpoint, it so far has not been successful in terms of implementation. In practice, it has been a failure because the primary system at the state level is a confusing hodgepodge. Although our primary system is supposed to make voter preference the guide for convention delegate selection, the states do this in such varied ways. Some favor caucuses or party conventions instead of direct primary election of delegates.

Despite the problem of getting eleven state legislatures to agree on anything approaching consensus, the leaders in the South who

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are behind this regional primary movement are hopeful. They do understand the power involved. And the fifteen-state legislative conference unanimously supports the idea.

As could be easily guessed, the national party establishment is decidedly unenthusiastic. They believe that candidates should be tested nationally and that regional primaries would thwart that objective. They also understand the power involved.

It will be interesting to see during the coming months exactly what progress is made on this project. And, if successful, it will also be interesting to see the results of the regional primary voting. What is the degree of liberalism or conservatism that will find favor with the Southern voters? And exactly how consistent or monolithic is the vote on a state by state basis? Will the South be truly satisfied with the selection produced from the Republican and Democratic primaries or will there be surprises? We will have to wait for the next chapter in this political story.

The story does have relevance, though, to our own organization, San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates. One of the primary reasons for the formation of R/A was to create a vehicle which would assist in electing more Republicans to office in the San Joaquin Valley. The Valley can never speak with a united voice nor can it exert the potential power and influence it should command as long as our liberal Democratic legislators are giving their first allegiance to Assembly Speaker Willie Brown or Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill.

The Coelhoos and Lehmans and Costas and Bronzans are great at giving lip service to the Valley and its interests. And to be candidly honest, they often vote "right" on limited specific issues of importance to the Valley and agriculture. What is often missed, however, is that with one hand they give and with the other they take away. For every "right" vote, they offset it by voting ten times with the Democrat liberal establishment to keep expanding the power and regulation and spending of state and national government.

Unfortunately, the general public does not fully understand the vast importance of legislative control. It is not just the specific votes of these Democrat legislators which hurt our Valley and its people. Because they are part of the Democrat majority in the State Legislature and in Congress, they are part of the control mechanism. They are the reason that Willie Brown is Speaker of the Assembly and can block the appointments and programs of Governor Deukmejian. They are the reason that Tip O'Neill is Speaker of the House and can thwart President Reagan's efforts to provide a new direction for our country away from the failed policies of the past.

Politics is numbers. And as long as the number of Democrats in Sacramento or Washington, D.C. is greater than the number of Republicans, the Democrats will have the power and control and Governor Deukmejian and President Reagan will be forced to constantly fight with one hand bound behind their backs. In our State Legislature and in Congress, the majority rules and our Valley Democrat legislators make up that Democrat majority.

Each month the R/A newsletter publishes information on the voting records of both Democrat and Republican legislators. These are the facts—not political rhetoric. Don't just listen to what they say; look at what they do. The record speaks for itself.

Publication of the voting records of our local state and national legislators is but one facet of the "Valley Strategy" of Republican Associates. By furnishing the necessary support and resource materials to our Republican candidates, R/A will contribute to the goal of establishing a unified Republican voice for the San Joaquin Valley.

U.S. Senate Race Update

The struggle for the Republican nomination to oppose Alan Cranston goes on. We now have six officially announced candidates: (1) Los Angeles County Supervisor Mike Antonovich who is resigning as Chairman of the California Republican Party in order to make the race; (2) Congressman Bill Dannemeyer; (3) State Senator Ed Davis; (4) Economist Art Laffer; (5) State Assemblyman Bob Naylor; and (6) Congressman Ed Zschau. Still waiting in the wings prior to making their official decisions are Congresswoman Bobbi Fiedler, TV and radio commentator Bruce Herschensohn and Congressman Dan Lundgren. Still talked about as possibilities but with decreasing frequency and seriousness are Peter Ueberroth, Charleton Heston and Fess Parker.

Antonovich reported a campaign war chest of \$350,000 at the time of his announcement this month. Congressman Ed Zschau reports donations and pledges totaling one million to date. Congresswoman Bobbi Fiedler is reported to have also amassed a sizeable war chest. The remainder of the candidates have had varying degrees of success in generating financial support, but it is believed that they all fall considerably short of the funds now available to Antonovich, Fiedler and Zschau.

Because none of the candidates has actually spent any significant amount of money for publicity purposes, but instead have used their funds organizationally so far, name identification for all the candidates is low at this point. The real test will come later when the public has the opportunity to assess both the personality of the candidates and their messages.

Party Realignment

Much has been written lately concerning the overwhelming 1984 victory of President Reagan against Walter Mondale. Carrying 49 of 50 states was a significant achievement; however, the victory lacked any marked coattail effect and the Republicans made only small gains for other major offices.

Democrats point to this fact as evidence that Reagan's victory was based on his unique personality and was not a mandate for his governmental policies and programs. The counter argument to this position is that during an election year such as 1984 when times are perceived to be good, there is little change. Incumbents of both parties tend to be re-elected. The increasing sophistication of techniques for gerrymandering legislative districts also contributes to immunizing those districts against a change in party representation. As evidenced in our own State of California, the Democrats have been masters at this game. And, additionally, all incumbents have been able to garner increasing resources which makes outside challenge more difficult.

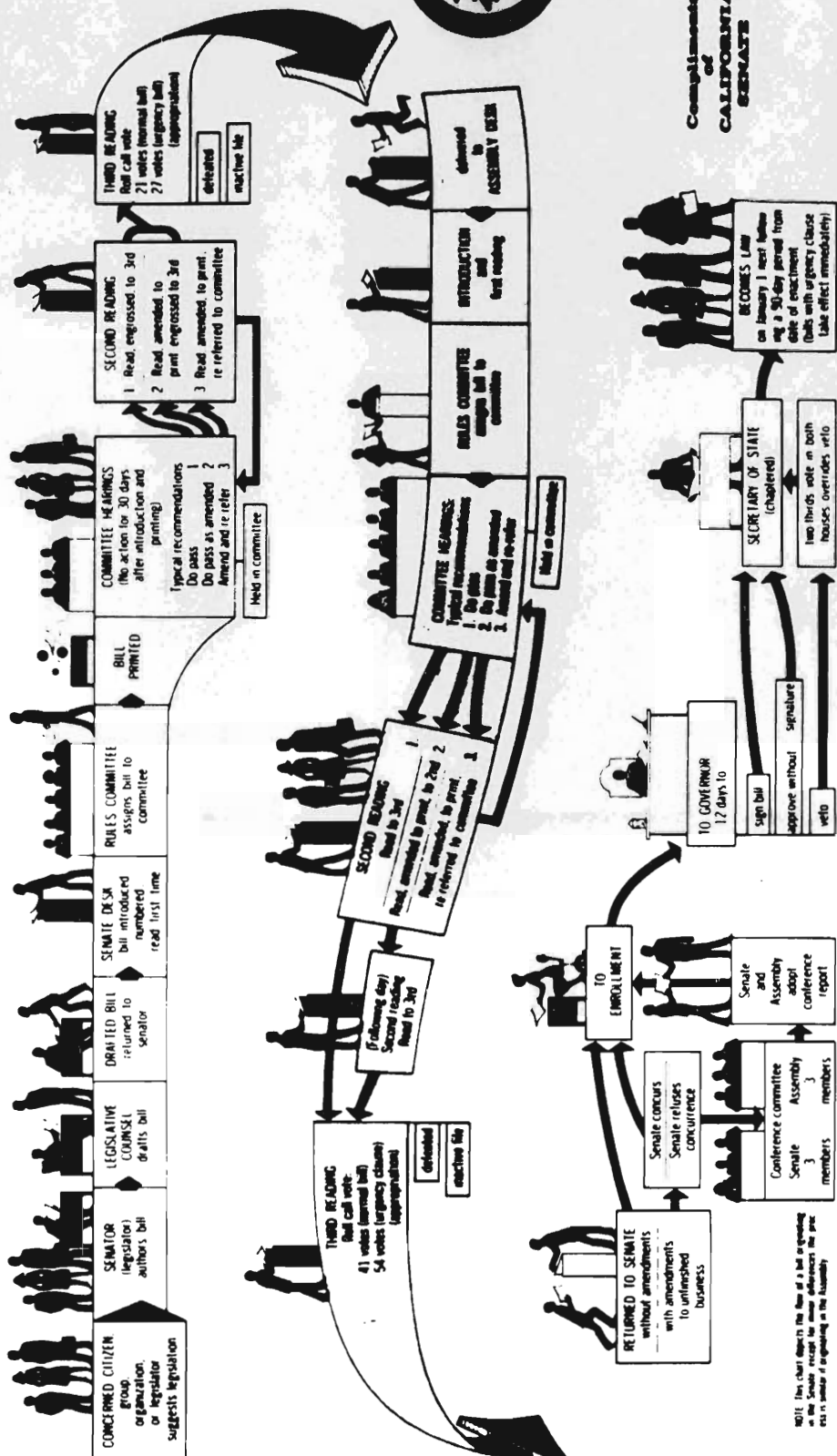
Election results, however, tell only the surface story. The real determination for party realignment is told by those figures which have shown a steady shift in party identification from Democrat to Republican. In 1976, those identifying themselves with the Democrat Party was 47%, more than double the 23% who identified as Republicans. By 1984, those figures had closed in to a spread of 40% to 31%. And in 1985 the latest polling shows the party identification is basically equal.

It is these figures which will ultimately result in the legislative victories of the future. We Republicans must continue to build or this foundation at the grass roots level.

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HOW A BILL BECOMES LAW

(A simplified chart showing the route a bill takes through the California Legislature)



NOTE: This chart depicts the flow of a bill as reported in the Senate record. It does not show the process of a bill as reported in the Assembly.



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FOR %	67%	47%	87%		FOR %	67%	75%	58%	92%
AGAINST %	20%	33%	13%		AGAINST %	25%	8%	42%	8%
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FOR %	75%	67%	75%		FOR %	62%	54%	46%	100%
AGAINST %	17%	25%	25%		AGAINST %	15%	15%	23%	0%
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AGAINST %	14%	0%	14%		AGAINST %	16%	16%	0%	0%
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# OF VOTES: 7	MADDY	STIERN	VUICH		# OF VOTES: 8	BRONZAN	COSTA	JONES	ROGERS
FOR %	72%	43%	72%		FOR %	25%	37%	100%	62%
AGAINST %	14%	43%	14%		FOR %	50%	50%	0%	13%
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Tony Braga for Sheriff - Get Acquainted Social, Jan. 28, 1986, 5-7:30 pm, Chiminello's Banquet Hall, 2223 No. Weber, Fresno. \$20.00 per person. Contact Tony Braga, 864-9279.

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Visalia Republican Women's Federated - Meets first Monday every other month. Next meeting November. Contact Marilee Frame, Pres., 733-3835, or Ginger Jarvis, 734-3000.

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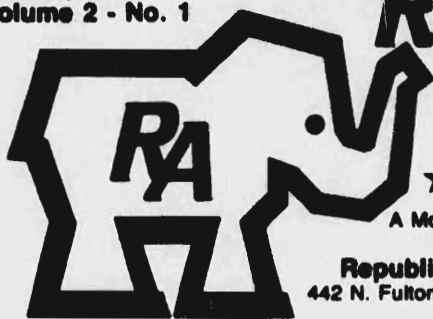
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What Every Candidate Should Know

This is the first in a series of articles about candidates and campaigns.

The general purpose of Republican Associates is to further the Republican Party. We do that in various ways—by serving as an information and research center, by publicizing Republican principles, personalities and activities, and by giving support to Republican candidates.

As with all political party organizations, the bottom line is to elect candidates to office. And R/A's very specific purpose is to do just that—elect Republicans, both incumbent Republican office holders and Republican challengers, and to both partisan and non-partisan office.

Incumbent office holders have a great advantage. One, they are in office and the incumbency factor is extremely helpful. They also have established name identification. They have built an organization and usually have been successful in fundraising. And they have already been a candidate and know what it takes to be one—what has to be done, how to do it, when to do it.

The first time, novice candidate has none of this knowledge. It has to be acquired and the sooner it is, the more successful the campaign will be. Republican Associates offers both candidate encouragement and candidate assistance to all would-be Republican candidates.

It should be noted for the record that R/A does not pick and choose between candidates. We will furnish information to any Republican for any office. It is then up to the candidate to take that information and develop his or her own support. And, if the race is contested, it will be up to the Republican voters to make their choice. It is our job to encourage any Republican who may wish to consider running for office.

There are certain things which any candidate should consider before making a final decision to run for office. Doing so intelligently will save much time, effort and mental agony later on. Running for office can be both exhilarating and fulfilling, even when it ends in a loss at the polls. But only when it is done in the right way for the right reasons.

Running for office on a whim without due consideration or proper preparation can be a frustrating experience which leads to disappointment and disillusionment. In an effort to help all potential Republican candidates avoid such a fate, R/A offers the following basic guidelines for them to consider.

The first thing that every candidate should know is that running for office is serious business. Do not underestimate that statement. Regardless of the level of office sought, no matter how minor, regardless of the surface reasons for seeking it, once you become a candidate your ego is on the line. You may enter the race thinking that you do not care whether you win or lose, but human nature dictates otherwise. This does not mean that a candidate must sit around waiting for a "sure thing"—there is no such thing in politics. It also does not mean that a candidate should not run, even when the odds are stacked against winning. What it does mean is that every candidate should search his or her own soul in depth and know without question just exactly why he or she is running and then develop realistic expectations before entering the race. If you do not, you just may be surprised at how important winning can become.

The second thing all candidates should do is to investigate carefully before deciding to run for office. Why are you interested? What makes you want to run? Many times the desire and/or decision is the result of two factors. One is political evolution; another is the future dream. And the end result has usually evolved over a period of time.

In the case of "political evolution," this normally concerns people who have become actively involved in civic affairs and who have gained both knowledge and recognition and look upon elective office as a natural culmination of their past activities. The process is aided by friends and associates who urge them to run. Today, however, we see more and more that many candidates have had some actual political experience such as serving on the staff of an elected official.

In the case of the "future dream," the potential candidates have long harbored the idea of someday running for office and devoting part of their lives to public service. The desire incubates until such time as the right circumstances come along. This usually means a stable career, some financial independence and a mature family situation.

Regardless of how the individual has arrived at the point of considering public office, at this point every candidate faces the same basic questions:

1. Do you really want to serve as an elected official?
What is the workload? Is special knowledge required?
How much time will it require?

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2. Can you put up with the peculiar demands of politics? Both as a candidate and in office you will find that you and your family will lose a considerable degree of privacy. You may also have to file annual personal financial disclosure statements.
3. Can your family accept and adjust to the idea of your candidacy? The job of a candidate is an arduous one. Being the wife or husband or child of a candidate is not easy either. You will need the wholehearted support of your family in order to be an effective candidate.
4. What will happen to your job or career or business if you become a candidate? What will happen if you win?

It is possibly appropriate at this point to mention that most of the preceding comments and certainly the vast majority of those to come are oriented toward the candidate who not only wants to run for office but also wants to win. Fully recognizing that there are times when political strategy demands that a party field token candidates who really are not expected to win, the R/A position is that all races are important and that we should constantly look for candidates who want to win and then give them the knowledge necessary to win. On this basis, our comments are directed toward serious candidates and successful races.

In that vein, one of the most important questions for the candidate to ask himself or herself is whether this is the right time to run and the right office to run for? In personal and political terms, is this the right time to run for office? Would another time, perhaps a later election, be better? Considering your personal interests, qualifications and ambitions, is this the office you really want? And are best suited for?

And, finally, you must ask yourself the ultimate question: Can you win? What is your name identification? Do you have the support you will need? Can you get it? What kind of opposition do you have and how strong?

How do you find the answers to these questions? Some answers can come only from within yourself. You must search, think, consider and, above all, be honest with yourself about your own emotions. You can also talk to others who have been through the process, most especially those who have actually served in the office you seek. The more information you collect and the more accurate it is, the better a decision you will eventually make.

As an aid to that information gathering process, you should know that any political campaign has four resources—time, money, people and talent—and all should be used wisely and effectively.

In addition, the five basic elements of a campaign are:

1. **The candidate.** He or she must be dedicated, informed and prepared to do those things a candidate must do to win. Above all, the candidate must bring commitment. If you are not committed to your own campaign, you will be unable to attract commitment from others.
2. **Organization.** The most important part is the core group, those ten or fifteen people who are willing to make a commitment to the candidate and the campaign and then see it through by giving of their time and effort to achieve success. This is the first level of organization.

The second level has several components. The first of these is the "letterhead" structure. This consists of the Campaign Chairs, the Finance Chairs and the Blue Ribbon Steering Committee. All these add credibility and indicate a broad base of support. They may not do anything, but their names give strength to the campaign.

Next comes the "management" structure. This consists of your campaign manager and campaign staff, whether paid or volunteer. The campaign manager is the essential ingredient. He or she must have good judgment, the trust of the candidate, and the ability to direct others and meet deadlines. Political judgment is necessary only if the campaign does not have a political consultant.

Next come the paid advisors—your general political consultant, pollster, fundraising consultant and media consultant. Naturally, only the more important political contests will allow for the kind of budgets which can support an extensive paid advisory staff.

The next component consists of the party structure. The local, state and national parties, depending on the race, may play an important role in the election. In state legislative races, the state party is the source of both funding and support services. At the national level, the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee and Republican Senate Campaign Committee often offer substantial help to Republican candidates. This is only after the primary, however. Until you become the official party nominee, you are on your own.

The final component of the second level of organization is the peripheral structure. This consists of PACs (Political Action Committees), special interest groups, etc. This component holds special importance in terms of fundraising if the candidate meets the proper ideological criteria.

And, finally, there is the third level of organization. This is where the workers are. Those valiant, often obscure, unsung, unpaid volunteers who walk the precincts, lick the stamps, make the phone calls and do all the many tasks involved in a successful campaign effort. Many campaigns, especially at the local level, live or die on the extent and success of this level's effort.

3. **Adequate financing.** Money is more often than not the key to success. Underfinanced campaigns rarely win. Unless financing is available, a campaign game plan is usually not worth the paper it is written on. If this sounds as if we are placing undue importance on such a crass commodity as money, the answer is we are not. If the candidate and his organization do not have the ability to generate enough money to do the basic things required for that particular race, then the candidate probably will not win and should not have run in the first place.

All campaigns should prepare a budget. Most do not. Those who do not usually do not win. A full third of the money for that budget should be in the bank or at least definitely committed on a no-renege basis before the candidate makes his or her official announcement. If you infer from the previous statement the necessity for the candidate to make a decision and start early, well before filing time for the office sought, you have just won a gold star for perception and accuracy.

One of the very, if not most, important things for any candidate to know is that he or she will be, must be, the chief fundraiser in the campaign. The candidate must accept this and be comfortable with it. If you cannot ask your family, your friends and total strangers for money, you possibly should not be a candidate. And we do not mean here that you ask plaintively in tones of sheer embarrassment at the thought this demeaning task. You must be able to ask for money professionally and effectively. Either that or have the ability to finance your own campaign.

The importance of money in any campaign effort at any level, from school board to President, cannot be over-emphasized. It is literally the "mother's milk of politics" and to attempt to deny that fact will lead to frustration and defeat. Recognize it and deal with it. If you cannot, do not run.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1986

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11:30—No Host Cocktails
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All Republican candidates for Sheriff in Fresno, Tulare, and Kings Counties have been invited as featured guests. All three Fresno County candidates -- Gerald Galvin, Steve Magarian and Richard Pierce -- have accepted and will address the R/A membership and answer questions.

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4. A "vulnerable" opponent or an open race. It is great to say, and perhaps technically accurate, that anyone can be beat. However, if you really believe that in any realistic sense, then you also possibly believe in the tooth fairy. There are incumbent office holders who because of various factors are as close to unbeatable as it is possible to define that word in any meaningful sense. No Republican was going to beat Lyndon Johnson in 1964. And no Democrat had a chance against President Reagan in 1984. Those statements, of course, are made emphatically but with a slight grain of salt. Any candidate can be "beaten"—if they happen to be caught in some morally repulsive act such as rape or child molestation. The reader may notice the fact that no mention was made of mere violation of the law or of being convicted of same. There has been more than one politician re-elected after being convicted of a crime.

The point, however, is that any potential candidate needs to look at the race of particular interest in a totally objective manner. Do not deceive yourself. There are incumbent office holders who are in practical terms unbeatable. Just try running as a Republican in a district in which 75% of the voters are registered Democrats.

In the South they have an expression which applies to certain Democrats. They are called "yellow dog Democrats." A "yellow dog Democrat" is defined as a Democrat who would vote for a yellow dog before he would vote for a Republican. So know your district and know your opponent and make an objective decision as to the real possibility of success. Kamikaze missions went out of style in World War II.

Having now made this point so strongly, however, it is now appropriate to mention that most Democrat incumbents can be beaten with a good candidate, a good organization and lots of money. The reason for this is that Democrats are so good at talking one way and voting another. If the campaign has enough money to adequately and repeatedly expose the voting record of a Democrat legislator in most districts in the San Joaquin Valley, a Republican can be elected.

5. A power base. This is the last element in a campaign. It is also one which is frequently ignored. As a candidate you need a base on which to build. If the answer to the question "Who cares if you get elected?" is no one but yourself and your family, you have a major problem and you possibly should not run.

What you do need is a network of acquaintances who will help you put together the campaign organization. In order to be a viable candidate you need a broad base of contacts through civic, professional and fraternal organizations. Either that or some tie into either a special interest or geographic concern.

These five elements are vital to a successful campaign. Unless and until they are in place, you should not announce your candidacy. Needless to say, having to meet this criteria would eliminate most candidates. It would also eliminate most losses—approximately 75% of all candidates for public office lose—primarily because they should not have run in the first place.

In fact, most candidates for public office would be disqualified if they had to give an honest evaluation of the first of these five elements—the candidate. This is not meant as a harsh or a derogatory statement. Most candidates are basically honest and well-meaning. The statement is primarily a comment on a human's capacity for self-deception. All potential candidates must guard against deceiving themselves.

All the preceding information is vital for making an informed decision as to whether to become a candidate or not. All the questions asked are important questions which need to be answered honestly and objectively.

Neither the information given nor the questions asked in this article are meant to dissuade any potential Republican candidate from running. We need good Republican candidates for many, many offices in our valley. R/A encourages all who are interested. And we will assist those who wish to explore their own political future and the possibility of elective office. However, Republican Associates does feel an obligation to provide all Republican aspirants with some of the basic knowledge needed in order to make an informed decision.

The information contained in this short article, of course, is not the whole story, but it does address the core issues involved in the decision to become a candidate. It does also provide a framework of reference for all good Republicans in the San Joaquin Valley. Perhaps several potential candidates may read this article. We hope so. But equally as important, we hope that all those dedicated Republicans who are supporting the R/A efforts will also read this material and it will be helpful to them in searching out and stimulating interest in other good Republicans who may make viable candidates for the future.

The ultimate key to our success, the end goal of all our efforts, is to have Republicans representing every legislative district in the San Joaquin Valley so that this valley can speak with a united voice and promote the interests of all our people. It is this challenge which R/A was designed to meet. It is a long range goal and one which will require the support of many people of vision and commitment, but Republican Associates offers the possibility of success. Let us start here. Let us start now.

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Fresno County and City Republican Women, Federated—Feb. 27, 1986. Lunch meeting, Tornino's, 5080 N. Blackstone, Fresno. Contact Diane Berry at 276-2150 or Frances Bradshaw at 224-9708 for reservation.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California—Chapter meetings at various times and places. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres. at 275-2968.

Fresno Republican Assembly—Monthly meetings, Smugglers Inn. Contact Charles Casey, Pres., 435-5407.

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Statewide

California State Republican Party's Spring Convention—March 7, 8 and 9 at the Santa Clara Marriott Hotel. Requests for table space and hospitality suites write Richard Warmuth at 400 W. Burbank Blvd., Burbank, CA 91505.

Assemblyman Bill Jones Gives Support to R/A

Assemblyman Bill Jones, who represents the 32nd Assembly District, recently signed a letter urging Republicans to give their support and make a financial contribution to Republican Associates. In speaking of R/A, Assemblyman Jones said, "In five short months, San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates has already attracted over 200 contributors who understand the value of a unified Republican effort in the San Joaquin Valley and the role it can play in statewide politics. We invite you to join with us in this effort."

As a long time worker in the Republican Party and as an elected office holder, Bill Jones understands the importance of building

a support organization which can provide service to all Republican candidates and Republican organizations. Assemblyman Jones ended his letter by saying, "I look forward to your joining me in support of this worthwhile and needed organization. Through your contribution and efforts, the San Joaquin Valley will be an organized, powerful political force in the State of California." Republican Associates thanks Assemblyman Jones for his support and efforts in behalf of R/A and the Republican Party.

If you would like to become an R/A contributor or help as a volunteer in R/A activities, please contact the R/A office in Fresno at 264-2129.

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Successful Quarterly R/A Luncheon Features Three Republican Candidates For Fresno County Sheriff

The second quarterly R/A luncheon, held February 20 in the Skyroom of the Downtown Hilton Hotel, was attended by 76 paid supporters plus several representatives from the local press and TV. Featured speakers were the three Republican candidates (Gerald Galvin, Steve Magarian and Richard Pierce) now running to replace retiring Fresno County Sheriff Hal McKinney.

The luncheon was opened by R/A Chair Marilee Frame of Visalia. Public Affairs Chair Doug Vagim acted as master of ceremonies and moderator of the program. Among those introduced were Ruel Williams and Terry Harper, Chairs of Fresno and Kings County Republican Central Committees, respectively. Also introduced was Gary Huss, one of our original R/A supporters and candidate for the Municipal Court to fill the seat being vacated by retiring Judge Zylka in Clovis.

Each candidate for Sheriff was given five minutes for an opening statement. This was followed by a question and answer period and then each candidate had two minutes for closing remarks.

Most of the discussion centered around the current debate about where to expand our jail facilities prior to the new jail being ready for use. Galvin thought that expansion of the present Caruthers facility was the most logical move, while Richard Pierce opposed the Caruthers solution as being a violation of a commitment made to the residents of that area several years ago. Steve Magarian said that this decision was up to the Board of Supervisors and did not take a position as to location.

All three candidates furnished photos and biographical material to R/A. Following is a brief summary of background information on each of the three in alphabetical order.

Gerald Galvin. Currently Chief of Police in Clovis. Galvin, age 43, has over twenty years' experience in law enforcement. Holds BA degree in Criminology and MA Degree in Administration of Justice. Has executive and advanced certificates from Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.). Served in U.S. Marine

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Gerald Galvin



Steve Magarian



Richard Pierce

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What Every Candidate Should Know, No. 2

(Continued from the January issue)

In the first of this series of articles we explored some of the basic information all candidates should know about themselves, the race they are contemplating and the elements of a campaign. We also explored the necessity of making an objective decision as to whether or not to run. This is crucial.

The first step is for the candidate to search his or her own soul. Ask yourself the hard questions. Talk to your family. And then get some outside opinions.

How do you accomplish that? You do it by meeting with a few trusted friends who will give you honest answers. Tell them what you are thinking about and ask for their frank opinions. And listen.

Talk with some of the old-timers and currently active people in politics. See what they think about your chances. Listen to their advice—very carefully.

Seek out a recognized political consultant and pay for a professional assessment of you as a candidate and your chances in the particular race you are interested in.

Make some preliminary moves in the area of organization. If you cannot find one good person who is willing to take on the job of chairing your Organizing Committee, that in itself will give you a message. Attempt to line up several more who will work in your campaign.

And, finally, ask a few key people in the community what they think about your running for office. Some of these people should be those who regularly contribute to campaigns. And listen carefully to the feedback. Is your potential candidacy greeted with enthusiasm or only mild approval?

After you have done these things go back to step one. Reassess your own personal feelings. Do you really want to be a political candidate? Is this really the office you want? Is now the time to become a candidate? Do you have the support of your family? Will the campaign adversely affect your job or your business? Do you have the time? Are you qualified? And, most important, do you have a reasonable chance of winning or is this a suicide mission?

And of all the questions which must be asked and then answered with total honesty, the most crucial one is: "Do you have any skeletons in your closet?" Is there **anything**, and we mean literally **ANYTHING**, in your past which would adversely reflect on your candidacy? Anything you have ever done or said which would cast a negative light on your character and integrity? The importance of this assessment cannot be over-emphasized.

If you are working with a political consultant, your relationship is essentially the same as with your attorney. Bare your soul and give your consultant **all** the facts about anything which could possibly be used against you. It is not your job to determine the importance of the information. That assessment will be made by the consultant. Your job is to think, reflect and search your mind for both the obvious and the obscure.

Do not underestimate the opposition. On one level politics is war and once you become a candidate you also become the "enemy" to both your opposition and to those who have a vested interest in maintaining the status quo. Anything which is in any way a matter of record can and usually does surface. Even much of what is supposedly private and privileged has a way of becoming public. The annals of politics is replete with instances in which a promising candidacy turned into disaster because the candidate did not share vital information beforehand.

This does not mean that you must have a totally unblemished record in order to be elected. It does mean, however, that, one, you are not the person to decide what is important and what is not, and, two, that your advisors need to know in advance what they will have to contend with so that the proper preparation can be made to diffuse the issue.

If all the previously discussed hurdles are surmounted and the potential candidate is still interested in making the race, the odds for success increase dramatically. It is still not yet time for the irrevocable decision, but at least the potential candidate can begin to make some preliminary moves such as lining up a solid base of support from key people. All races in California require the potential candidate to take out nomination papers and until these are completed and returned to the county elections department the candidacy is not official and the name will not appear on the ballot. Returning nomination papers is "the moment of truth."

(This is the second in a continuing series of articles on What Every Candidate Should Know.)

U.S. Senate Race Update

The race for the Republican nomination for U.S. Senate to run against Alan Cranston continues to become more visible while at the same time more confused. Recent developments have cast a cloud over the race for two of the candidates.

Based on information supplied by the campaign of State Senator Ed Davis plus recorded conversations, the Los Angeles Grand Jury indicted Congresswoman Bobbi Fiedler and her fiancé and campaign manager, Paul Clarke, for violation of a state law which prohibits soliciting another candidate to drop out of a race in return for payment. It was alleged that Fiedler and Clarke offered to pay \$100,000 in exchange for Davis dropping out of the senate race.

Assemblyman Robert Naylor, also a senatorial candidate, called for Fiedler to drop out of the race after the indictment. She refused to do so and last week LA Judge Robert Altman dismissed charges against both Fiedler and Clarke ruling that even if it was proven Clarke made the \$100,000 offer to Davis, it would not be a crime under state law since no money actually exchanged hands.

Although the Fiedler camp is now claiming complete vindication, both the Grand Jury Foreman and LA County District Attorney Ira Reiner, dispute charges by the Fiedler campaign that the case was without merit. In any event, this bizarre and unexpected controversy, which many have termed a "murder-suicide," has kept the names of Fiedler and Davis in the news for several weeks while further obscuring the activities of the remaining candidates.

One of the major events of significant importance to the viability of all the potential Republican nominees in this race was the filing of campaign finance statements on January 31st. These statements showed total funds raised, expenditures and net cash balances left for each candidate as of December 31, 1985. Since a statewide race is extremely expensive, the ability to raise money becomes an important factor in achieving success in the primary nomination battle. Official reports show the following

ED ZSCHAU - \$1,025,000 raised, \$668,000 cash balance
BOBBI FIEDLER - \$739,000 raised, \$458,000 cash balance
ART LAFFER - \$690,000 raised, \$46,000 deficit
MIKE ANTONOVICH - \$613,000 raised, \$472,000 cash balance
ED DAVIS - \$482,000 raised, \$14,000 deficit
ROBERT NAYLOR - \$438,000 raised, \$14,000 cash balance

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DAN LUNDGREN - \$229,000 raised, \$54,000 cash balance
BRUCE HERSCHENSOHN - No report
WILLIAM DANNEMEYER - No report

A few notes of explanation are in order concerning these figures and their future political significance. Dan Lundgren and William Dannemeyer, both members of the House of Representatives, have officially withdrawn from the race. The reason that no report was filed for Bruce Herschensohn and William Dannemeyer is that both were operating under the rules for an exploratory committee and had not officially announced their candidacies.

Based on what most political observers deem as crucial to running a successful statewide race, the three top contenders would seem to be Ed Zschau, Bobbi Fiedler and Mike Antonovich. It is estimated, however, that Fiedler has spent a sizeable portion of her cash balance in attorney fees to defend herself and aide Paul Clarke against the recent indictment. It should also be noted that a large portion of the cash balance shown by Antonovich is being contested as this was not money recently received in contributions but rather was transferred from other political bank accounts not subject to the same federal laws as those governing the U.S. Senate race. The big mystery for most people is how Art Laffer spent over \$700,000 and ended up with a deficit.

Congressman Ed Zschau, who represents the Silicon Valley area in the peninsula, recently added to his fundraising ability by gaining the support of Joyce Valdez in Los Angeles and Carolyn Dorsee in San Diego. Both are premier fundraisers who have done work for President Reagan, Vice President Bush, Senator Pete Wilson and other Republican heavyweights. In addition, many corporate C.E.O.'s who were waiting for Peter Ueberroth to make a decision have now moved into the Zschau camp, believing that he has the best image and the broadest appeal to beat Alan Cranston.

And, of course, that is what this Republican primary battle is all about — getting rid of Senator Cranston. And it is not going to be easy. His report showed a cash balance of \$1.9 million on hand as of December 31. And to repeat a comment from an earlier article: "Cranston may look like a walking cadaver, but he is a tough, experienced campaigner." Our job as Republicans is to nominate the very best candidate we can. And we certainly have enough choices to pick from.

R/A News Notes

Like most new and growing organizations, Republican Associates has experienced some changes. Two of our original board members, former State Assemblyman Ernest N. Mobley and Kings County representative Loretta Montgomery have resigned for personal reasons. Terry Harper, current Chair of the Kings County Republican Central Committee, was elected to fill the vacancy from Kings County. Retired Superior Court Judge Blaine Pettit was elected to fill the Mobley vacancy and also to serve as Vice Chair of Republican Associates. We welcome these two new R/A Trustees and offer our thanks and gratitude to Ernie Mobley and Loretta Montgomery for their efforts in getting R/A off the ground.

Republican Associates also accepted the resignation of longtime Republican activist Jean Schwafel who served as our first Executive Director. Our thanks to Jean for her dedication and assistance in helping to build this needed Republican support group. Jean's efforts were instrumental in gaining the support and involvement of State Senator Ken Maddy and Assemblyman Bill Jones for R/A. Both are contributors and serve as Honorary Trustees of Republican Associates.

Republican Candidates For Sheriff

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Corps and awarded Bronze Star and Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. Galvin serves as Chair of the Fresno County Police Chief's Association and instructs at the Police Academy at Fresno City College.

Steve Magarian. Currently Assistant Sheriff in the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. Magarian, age 43, has served in the department since 1968. Holds both BA and MA degrees in Criminology. Has advanced, supervisory and management certificates from Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.). Magarian has served in every division of the Sheriff's Department and is a graduate of the F.B.I. National Academy.

Richard Pierce. Currently a Captain in the Fresno County Sheriff's Department, Pierce, age 42, has served in the department since 1966. In 1978 he was chosen to command the Special Investigation Division (S.I.D.) for Narcotics, Vice and Intelligence. Also completed, coordinated and implemented the proposal for Area-Based Policing in 1982. Pierce currently commands the Administrative Division of the Sheriff's Department.

Republican Associates is pleased to have offered the very first opportunity for these three fine Republican candidates to appear together at the same forum. We are fortunate in having the chance to select our next Fresno County Sheriff from among such outstanding candidates. The R/A newsletter will continue to keep its supporters informed on this race along with other political news of interest to the valley.



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Central Committee—Second Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m., State Bldg., 2550 Mariposa St. Contact Ruel Williams, Chairman, at 439-3303.

Fresno County and City Republican Women, Federated, Lunch meeting on March 27 at Tornino's, 5080 N. Blackstone, Fresno. Contact Diane Berry at 276-2150 or Frances Bradshaw at 224-9708 for reservations.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California—Chapter meetings at various times and places. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres. at 275-2968.

Fresno Republican Assembly—Monthly meetings, Smugglers Inn. Contact Charles Casey, Pres., at 435-5407.

Fresno Young Republicans—Third Wednesday each month, 6:30 p.m. at Pearson Realty, 2550 W. Shaw, Fresno. Contact Don Nelson, Membership Chair, at 264-7687 or Kelly McNeil, Treas., at 222-4481.

Newfounders, a satellite group of the Fresno County and City Republican Women, will hold a Community Forum on the "Deep Pockets" Initiative on Monday, March 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Clubhouse of Shadowbrook Apts., on Villa between Barstow & Bullard, Clovis. Contact Priscilla Warren at 432-5326 or 436-8093.

Teenage Republicans—Bimonthly meetings, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Warren Home, 1507 W. Locust, Fresno. Contact Alex Marashian, Pres., at 435-7139.

Ed Zschau for U.S. Senate Reception on March 21 at The Downtown Club, 2120 Kern, Fresno, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 per person. For reservations call 268-7068.

Dinner with Ed Zschau on March 21 at the San Joaquin Country Club, Fresno, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$250.00 per person. For reservations call 268-7068.

Richard Peters will host a luncheon for Fresno County Sheriff Candidate Steve Magarian on Wednesday, March 12 at Arthur's Restaurant, 2795 Floral Ave., Selma. Tickets are \$60.00 per person. Contact Terri at 442-4484 for reservations.

Fresno County Sheriff Candidate Richard Pierce will hold a series of discussion meetings throughout the month. For locations and times contact Jack Osterhaus at 227-4677.

A dinner will be held for Fresno County Sheriff Candidate Gerald Galvin on Wednesday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 850 4th St., Clovis. Tickets are \$50.00 per person. Contact 486-5300 for reservations.

A reception for Gerald Galvin will be held on Saturday, March 15 at the home of David St. Louis, 2770 W. Bluff, Fresno, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$250.00 per couple. Contact David St. Louis' office at 445-1500 for reservations.

California Republican Assembly will hold their State Endorsing Convention in Fresno on April 4, 5 and 6 at the Hacienda Inn, Clinton and Hwy 99, Fresno. See our Statewide section for more information.

Gary Huss, Candidate for Municipal Court Judge, will hold a "kickoff" reception on March 11 from 5:15 to 7:30 p.m. at the Fresno Hilton Skyroom. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and can be purchased at the door or you can mail your check to Huss for Judge Committee, 2206 S. Laureen, Fresno, CA 93725.

Kern County

Central Committee—Second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. Contact Martha Fallgatter, Chair, at 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women, Federated—Second Tuesday each month, noon at the Red Lion Inn. Contact Mary Piland, Pres., at 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kern County Young Republicans' monthly meeting—Monday, March 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Susan and Mark Carlson, 470 Columbus #C, Bakersfield. Call 871-4159 for information.

Kings County

The Kings County Republican Central Committee will hold a luncheon honoring Governor George Deukmejian on March 26 at noon at the Hanford Fraternal Hall, 1015 N. 10th Ave., Hanford. Tickets are \$30.00 per person. Contact Terry Harper at 582-0824 or 584-2611 for reservations.

Kings County Republican Women, Federated—Lunch meeting on March 27 at the Sportsman's Club, 1826 10th Ave., Hanford. Contact Betty Landis at 584-7083 or Vivian Hall at 584-4946.

Central Committee—Meetings held last Monday of each month at noon at the Sportsman's Club, 1826 N. 10th, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chair, at 584-2611.

Madera County

Madera County Republican party—Meets first Monday each month at noon at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G St., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chair, at 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women, Federated—Monthly luncheon at Madera County Library, 121 N. G St. in Blanche Galloway Rm. Contact Sue Glunz, Pres., at 674-8220.

Merced County

Central Committee—Meetings held third Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm 11, Merced. Contact Baker Ring, Chair, at 732-9892 or Chuck Meyer at 722-1541.

Merced Republican Women, Federated—Meets every third Monday each month at the Branding Iron, 16 St., Merced, at 11:30 a.m. Contact Linda Kollman, Pres., at 732-6962 or Colleen Nordman at 383-0422.

San Joaquin County

Central Committee—Meets first Monday each month, 7:30 p.m. San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parson, Exec. Dir., at 948-8102.

Stanislaus County

Central Committee—Meets fourth Monday each month. Contact Jim Dignan, Chair., at 838-3564.

Modesto Republican Women, Federated—Meetings held second Monday each month at 11:30 a.m. Contact Sheila Carroll, Pres. at 523-2016 for location and details.

Tulare County

Central Committee—Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett Jr., Chair, at 784-1311.

Visalia Republican Women, Federated—Meets first Monday every other month. Contact Ginger Jarvis at 734-3000 for further information.

Statewide

The California Republican Assembly will hold their Endorsing Convention on April 4, 5, and 6 at the Hacienda Inn, Clinton & Hwy 99, Fresno. Speakers will include candidates running for the State's Constitutional offices, including the U.S. Senate Candidates, and Candidates running for Board of Equalization Offices. Governor Deukmejian will be attending the Banquet on Saturday at 7:00 p.m. For more information on the CRA Convention contact Noel Lackey at 226-6969 or Ward Nelson at 299-5129.

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The matchup between Curb and Richardson has some interesting sidelights. Curb was the major opponent of Governor Deukmejian in the Republican primary in 1982. Although an old ally of Deukmejian, Richardson backed Curb in that heated contest to the dismay of the Deukmejian supporters. Needless to say, the Governor has remained strictly neutral and has refused to comment on the race.



The CRP encourages all Republicans to join in a STATEWIDE REGISTRATION BLITZ on MAY 3rd. In order to be eligible to vote in the June Primary Election, a voter must be registered by May 5th. This pre-primary effort to register new Republicans will help us attain our goal of becoming the majority party. Do someone a good service—register them to vote. Republican, of course. For further information on Operation Bounty, please contact your local Republican County Central Committee or contact Ron Brand in Bakersfield (805) 327-9681. Ron is the CRP representative for the Central California counties.

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U.S. Senate Race Update

The battle for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate to oppose Alan Cranston continues to be a hardfought struggle for the large field of candidates involved. In case you have not been able to keep up with this race, the official candidates are: Bill Allen, Mike Antonovich, Eldridge Cleaver, Ed Davis, Bobbi Fiedler, Bruce Herschensohn, Joseph Knowland, Art Laffer, Bob Naylor, and Ed Zschau. Yes, that makes ten—count 'em.

The field, however, is rapidly thinning in terms of genuine viability for such a statewide race. Like it or not, no candidate can expect to win the primary in a state with 26 million people without the ability to take his or her message to the public via mass media. Without the capacity to buy TV time, a candidate's credentials and positions get lost in the roar of the crowd. Already two senatorial hopefuls, Congressmen Dan Lundgren and Bill Dannemeyer, have dropped from the race based on their inability to raise the necessary funds.

The latest fundraising reports filed with the Federal Elections Commission covering the period of January 1st through March 31, 1986 give some indication of the candidates who are in a position to be considered as real contenders for the nomination.

Los Altos Congressman Ed Zschau reported raising \$1.62 million, with \$593,275 coming in this year. He had cash on hand of \$257,575 with debts of \$92,570. Los Angeles Supervisor Mike Antonovich reported a total of \$980,000, with \$363,000 coming in this year. He had cash on hand of \$578,000 with debts of \$5,000; however, rival Bobbi Fiedler has filed a complaint with the FEC charging that Antonovich improperly shifted funds from his supervisorial account to his senate campaign. In an effort to escape the problems of transfer, the Antonovich campaign apparently established a separate committee to oppose Rose Bird's reconfirmation and used funds to run TV commercials which did not mention the senate candidacy. It remains to be seen if this strategy holds up under challenge. In addition, some rivals of Antonovich say that his totals are inflated by including contributions for the general election which cannot be legally spent before the June primary ends.

Congresswoman Bobbi Fiedler reported raising a total of \$863,404, with \$123,700 coming this year. She had cash on hand of \$403,517 with debts of \$35,000. Observers feel that her fundraising capacity has been severely damaged by the indictment for bribery (later dismissed) which resulted from charges by State Senator Ed Davis.

This controversy seems also to have hurt Davis who reported a total of \$542,972 raised, with only \$68,531 coming in 1986. He showed only \$13,917 in cash with \$47,456 in debt.

Former Los Angeles TV commentator Bruce Herschensohn reported raising \$416,366, all in 1986, with \$57,732 left in cash against \$18,466 in debts.

Economist Art Laffer reported raising \$988,172, with \$297,619 coming in 1986, but showed only \$18,468 cash on hand while having debts of \$31,613.

Assemblyman Bob Naylor had a total raised of \$526,875, with \$88,345 coming this year. He reported \$44,244 in cash on hand with \$35,393 in debts.

Allen, Cleaver and Knowland did not rate wire service coverage of their fundraising activities so we have no figures to report.

So where does all this leave the senate campaign? Undecided, certainly, but most of the political pros pay great attention to two things: demonstrated ability to raise money and net cash on hand left to continue campaign efforts.

The latest ABC Poll done in conjunction with KGO-TV in San Francisco shows the following rankings of preference by Republican voters: Herschensohn—10%; Zschau—8% plus; Antonovich—8% minus; Fiedler—8% minus; Davis—6%; Naylor—2%, Laffer—1%.

The Los Angeles Times Poll shows Herschensohn—12%; Antonovich—9%; Davis—9%; Fiedler—7%; Zschau—5%; Knowland—2%; Laffer—2%; Naylor—2%; Cleaver—1% and Allen less than 1/2%. Because of his past exposure as a TV and radio commentator in Southern California, Herschensohn went into the race with strong name identification.

The California Poll by the Field Institute gives the lead to Davis with 14%, followed by Herschensohn (12%), Fiedler (12%) and Zschau (11%). Second tier candidates were Antonovich (9%), Laffer (8%), Naylor (5%) and others (1%). Undecided led the race with 28%. Cranston's lead over the potential Republican opponents at this point was as follows: Zschau (16%), Antonovich (19%), Davis (19%), Fiedler (22%), Naylor (24%), Herschensohn (24%) and Laffer (27%).

As you can see, even the pollsters cannot agree. The one constant is that the "undecideds" are far ahead of all the candidates. As can be seen from these figures, the winner of the senate primary is yet to be determined, but the polls in early May should give us a stronger clue as to the eventual victor, with the final determination to be made in the last 30 days based on who is capable of doing the necessary media program. Until one candidate is able to break out of the pack, most observers will base their predictions on past demonstrated ability to attract support and financial contributions.

What Every Candidate Should Know

(This is the third in a series of articles giving basic information to prospective candidates.)

The following article is entitled:

What It Takes To Be A Candidate

A good candidate has many qualities—personality, intelligence, stamina, drive, ambition, vision, presence, voice, persistence, dedication, commitment, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera.

Of all the qualities, however, the two most important are dedication and commitment. Put together these two equal CHARACTER.

Having CHARACTER is having the ability to force yourself to do the things you need to do but do not want to do. It also means having the ability to refrain from doing those things you want to do but know that you should not do. CHARACTER is the sum and substance of SELF-control.

Ninety percent of a candidate's job involves two simple things: (1) getting support (votes) and (2) raising money. If you are not doing one of those two things, you are not doing your job.

And if you do not possess the CHARACTER necessary to force yourself to ask for either support or money, then you should not be a candidate!

No one is going to hand you election on a silver platter. You, the candidate, must work for it and make it happen. That means taking every opportunity to ask for support and money.

If you do not ask, three things happen: (1) you do not get either support or money and have hurt your own campaign; (2) you risk

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Downtown Hilton Hotel

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Press Room on Mezzanine

11:30—No Host Cocktails

12 Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch and Program

\$12.50 per person

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This is your chance to meet your fellow SJVRA supporters, the SJVRA team, and to get an update on what SJVRA is doing.

Please make your reservations early by filling out the form below and mailing it to the SJVRA office, 442 No. Fulton St., Fresno, Ca 93701.

YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MAY 16, 1986.

Please make _____ reservations(s) for the Wednesday, May 21st luncheon at \$12.50 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$ _____ is enclosed.

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giving offense to the other party since most people consider themselves important and expect to be asked regardless of what their response may be; and (3) people will question both your intelligence and your dedication to the campaign.

Even people who are unsophisticated know that all successful candidates must ask for votes and raise funds. They expect you to be doing your job and they react negatively when you do not.

Asking for support is not easy. Asking for money is even harder. There is no magic wand to wave which will make it easy. But, if you have the right attitude, you can do it.

First, you must believe in yourself. You must think of what you have to offer, the kind of public servant you will be, and what your election will mean in terms of building a better community. And, second, you must visualize that as a benefit to the person you are asking for support. You are doing them a favor by giving them an opportunity to join with others in a campaign that will bring a better future for themselves and their children.

In short, you must go beyond the false thinking that you are asking for a favor or a handout. You are instead offering something to that person—a chance to participate, an open door to discuss their problems, a lid on further tax increases, more efficient government, a better community. You offer something that they need, that the community needs, and if you do not offer them the opportunity to help, then you do them a disservice.

How to ask for support and money? Only one way—simple and direct!

Do not hedge. Do not beat around the bush. Do not say, "Gee, I would really like your support." Or, "I would appreciate it if you could support me." Or, "I hope you will give me your support." Or ten different other things which avoid asking directly.

Ask the QUESTIONS. "Will you support me?" "May I have your support?" "May I use your name as a supporter?"

If the answer is "yes," then you must do two things. One, ask them immediately to fill out a pledge card. If they will not do that and then sign it, the chances are you have nothing but empty conversation and you might as well know it up front. Two, ask for their financial help.

Once again, ask the QUESTION. "Will you help me financially?" "Will you contribute to my campaign?" "Will you make a donation?" "Will you buy two tickets to my fundraiser?" "Can you write me a check for \$ _____?"

The candidate must size up the situation about what to ask for. But you must ASK for something. You must phrase it as a QUESTION which demands an answer. If you do not, if you only make a statement of feeling or belief, it is too easy to ignore. And remember, most people will be flattered if you ask for the maximum or even a little more than they can afford. A wealthy person could be offended if you only asked for \$100 when he or she could easily give you much more.

So, remember: SUPPORT (VOTES) and MONEY. That is what election campaigning is all about. That is the candidate's job. And no one ever said it was going to be easy.

Just do it. As faithfully, as persistently, and as gracefully as you can. But DO IT!

You, the candidate, are the most powerful tool that the campaign has. You are "the person," the head honcho, the big enchilada. Regardless of the enthusiasm and dedication of your supporters, they cannot carry the weight or influence that you as the candidate can. Do not underestimate the importance of the candidate's personal contact.

A New Republican Candidate

Dave Crevelt, Republican candidate in the 18th Congressional District, is opposing incumbent Democrat Richard Lehman. This is Dave's first try for office, but he has so far shown the proper drive and commitment to the task. His campaign is being managed by Jean Schwafel, past Executive Director of Republican Associates.

Dave holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from California State University, Fresno, and is employed in the insurance business. He is also Past President of the Fresno Young Republicans, an Ambassador for the Fresno City and County Chamber of Commerce and Past President of the Fowler Chamber of Commerce. For further information contact the Crevelt for Congress Committee, 1418 W. Palo Alto, Fresno, CA 93711 (209) 431-2660.

CRA State Convention

The state convention of the California Republican Assembly was held in Fresno on April 4, 5 and 6. CRA is the oldest Republican volunteer activist organization in California which makes pre-primary endorsements of Republican candidates. This latest convention was a magnet attracting just about all candidates running for statewide office.

Our local Fresno Republican Assembly played host and handled all arrangements for the convention. It was an exciting and successful weekend for all attendees. Congratulations to FRA Chair Charles Casey, Convention Chair Noel Lackey and the many hard-working FRA members and volunteers who made this event such a success.



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Fresno County and City Republican Women will hold their Annual Cocktail Party at the home of Elinor McMichael on Friday, May 30th at 6:30 p.m. Live music will be provided. All Republican candidates will be invited to attend. Tickets are \$10.00 per person and may be purchased at the door. For information call 224-9708 or 226-5066.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California—Chapter meetings at various times and places. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres. at 275-9268.

Fresno Republican Assembly—Monthly meetings, Smugglers Inn. Contact Charles Casey, Pres., at 435-5407.

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Teenage Republicans—Bimonthly meeting, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Warren Home, 1507 W. Locust, Fresno. Contact Alex Marashian, pres., at 435-7139.

A dinner will be held for Fresno County Sheriff Candidate Richard Pierce on Wednesday, May 14th at the home of Bill Holt. Tickets for the steak dinner are \$25.00 per person. Contact Jack Osterhaus at 227-4677 for reservations.

Two fundraising events are planned for Fresno County Sheriff Candidate Gerald Galvin. There will be a dinner on May 16th at 6:00 p.m. at the Twin Gables Hall in Clovis. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. On May 29th there will be a luncheon at the Clovis Elks Lodge. Tickets are \$50.00 per person. For information or reservations call 486-5300.

Assistant Sheriff Steve Magarian, candidate for Fresno County Sheriff will be honored at a fundraising dinner Wednesday, April 30th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Kerman Portuguese Hall, 14910 West "C" street in Kerman. Tickets are \$50.00 per couple. For reservations contact Staci at 264-5000.

Joe Fazio and Leo Chooljian are hosting a dinner at the Sunnyside Country Club on May 22nd from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. to honor Steve Magarian. Dinner tickets are \$50.00 per person. For information and reservations, contact Staci at 264-5000.

Bar-BQ & Conversation with District Attorney Ed Hunt. "Steak, Beans and Fixins" by Dana Anderson, \$30.00 per person, Saturday, May 3, 1986, 3 til 7 p.m. at Crosslands Barn, 698 S. DeWolf, Clovis. For tickets, contact Diane Berry, 237-5072.

May 14th Deep Pit BBQ & Fixins for Logan Fox, candidate for Sup. 4th District. Portuguese Hall (Corner Dochery & Nebraska Selma). No-host bar/Contribution \$12.50, 5:30-8:30 p.m. For tickets call Headquarters in Selma, 869-7446, or Diane Berry, 237-5072.

Fundraiser for Gary Huss (Candidate for Municipal Judge), April 28th. Given by Richard Peters & Brian Tatarian at the Fresno Hilton. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$100.00 per person. For more information contact Terri Giovacchini, 442-4484.

Reception for Gary Huss Thursday May 1, 1986 at the Veterans Memorial Building in Clovis. Tickets are \$12.50. Call Judy or Gary Huss, evenings 252-6841.

Ed Zschau for U.S. Senate - breakfast, lunch and CSUF rally scheduled for Monday, May 19. Contact Lorna Sloan, 268-7068, for further details.

Kern County

Central Committee—Second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. Contact Martha Fallgatter, Chair, at 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women, Federated—Second Tuesday each month, noon at the Red Lion Inn. Contact Mary Piland, Pres., at 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kern County Young Republicans' monthly meeting—Monday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Susan and Mark Carlson, 470 Columbus #C, Bakersfield. Call 871-4159 for information.

Kings County

Kings County Republican Women, Federated—Lunch meeting on May 22 at the Sportsman's Club, 1826 10th Ave., Hanford. Contact Betty Landis at 584-7083 or Vivian Hall at 584-4946.

Central Committee—Meetings held last Monday of each month at noon at the Sportsman's Club, 1826 N. 10th, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chair, at 584-2611.

Madera County

Madera County Republican party—Meets first Monday each month at noon at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G St., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chair, at 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women, Federated—Monthly luncheon at Madera County Library, 121 N. G St. in Blanche Galloway Rm. Contact Lorraine Bennett, Pres., at 674-2030.

Merced County

Central Committee—Meetings held third Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 111 Merced. Contact Baker Ring, Chair, at 732-9892 or Chuck Meyer at 722-1541.

Merced Republican Women, Federated—Meets every third Monday each month at the Branding Iron, 16 St., Merced, at 11:30 a.m. Contact Linda Kollman, Pres., at 732-6962 or Colleen Nordman at 383-0422.

San Joaquin County

Central Committee—Meets first Monday each month, 7:30 p.m. San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parson, Executive Director, at 463-5021.

Stanislaus County

Central Committee—Meets fourth Monday each month. Contact Jim Dignan, Chair, at 838-3564.

Modesto Republican Women, Federated—Meetings held second Monday each month at 11:30 a.m. Contact Sheila Carroll, Pres., at 523-2016 for location and details.

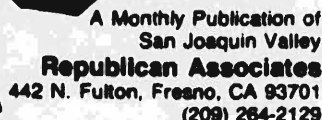
Tulare County

Central Committee—Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett Jr., Chair, at 784-1311.

Visalia Republican Women, Federated—Meets first Monday every other month. Contact Ginger Jarvis at 734-3000 for further information.

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We must make progress in electing new legislators to Sacramento if we are going to have the majority necessary in 1990 to control redistricting. The ability to draw new legislative boundaries can ensure Republican control of the California Legislature until the year 2000.

To illustrate the importance of this effort, the campaigns of Governor George Deukmejian, U.S. Senator Pete Wilson and U.S. Senate nominee Ed Zschau have all pledged \$600,000 each in order to finance the needed work. Let us all join together to make the program a success. Remember the goals — 35,000 new Republican volunteers, one million new registered Republicans, and every Republican voting on election day, November 4. Please join in this effort. We need your support.

For further information, please contact the Chair of your own Republican county central committee or call Ron Brand in Bakersfield (805) 327-9681. Ron is the CRP representative for the Central California counties. Please refer to the Calendar of Events on the back page for information on county central committees.

R/A Anniversary

Republican Associates celebrated its first anniversary this past month and your help made that possible. Your support combined with that of many other dedicated Republicans was instrumental in the foundation of R/A. Without you, we wouldn't be here. We thank you.

We also want you to know about some of the things which your support made possible.

1. If you look in the Fresno phone book, you will see that ours is the only listing under the name "Republican." We receive and answer many calls for information. We are the only easily accessible Republican contact for the general public.
2. We organized and coordinated a Campaign Support School for Republican volunteer workers — nearly 100 attended.
3. We held three Quarterly Luncheons which generated publicity for R/A, the Republican Party and its candidates.
4. We have published eight R/A Newsletters which have been well received as professional, interesting and informative.
5. We have provided informational services to local Republican candidates.
6. And, vitally important, we have established the beginning of a data bank on political information, election statistics and news material for future Republican candidates. Solid, factual information on the district, voting records and issues is a necessary ingredient for the successful challenge of a Democrat incumbent.
7. And we are continuing to expand the number and scope of our valley contacts and to increase our support base. We now have well over 200 financial supporters who recognize the need for and importance of R/A.

Republican Associates has held true to its original purpose — to be a permanent, on-going organization which offers support to the Republican Party and its candidates.

Once again, we offer our thanks and appreciation to all of you who contributed financially and otherwise to making this first year a successful one.

Statewide Races

Following are the official Republican nominees for statewide office. Addresses and phone numbers are listed for your convenience.

GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN FOR GOVERNOR

State Headquarters
1517 L Street, #A
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 442-2233

Local
Chuck Poochigian
Fresno
252-7271

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State Headquarters
830 Maude Ave.
Mountain View, CA 94043
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Local
Prince Associates
Fresno
268-7068

MIKE CURB FOR LT. GOVERNOR

State Headquarters
441 S. Beverly Drive, #4
Beverly Hills, CA 90212
(213) 551-1986

BRUCE NESTANDE FOR SECRETARY OF STATE

State Headquarters
217 N. Main Street, #LL30
Santa Ana, CA 92701
(714) 667-1986

BILL CAMPBELL FOR STATE CONTROLLER

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512 E. Wilson, Suite 310
Glendale, CA 91206
(818) 247-0962

BRUCE GLEASON FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

State Headquarters
8155 Van Nuys Blvd. #352
Panorama City, CA 91402
(213) 873-5980

R/A Elects New Officers

At the recent R/A annual meeting the Board of Trustees elected as Chair Marilee Frame from Tulare County. Marilee is former President of Visalia Republican Women, Federated and former Co-chair of the 1984 Tulare County Pashayan Campaign. Elected as Vice Chair was retired Superior Court Judge Blaine Pettit. Blaine is a longtime Republican activist and former Chair of the Fresno County Republican Central Committee. Elected as Secretary was former Madera County Sheriff Ed Bates who was also a candidate in 1984 against Congressman Tony Coelho.

Original Trustees Earl S. Smittcamp (Fresno County), J. Gordon Kennedy (Madera county) and Ginger Jarvis and Alan Kemp (Tulare County) continue to serve on the Board. Recent additions are Kings County Republican Party Chair Terry Harper and Merced County Farm Bureau President Jack Hooper.

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San Joaquin Valley
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invites you
to attend
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Fourth Quarterly Luncheon

Thursday, August 28, 1986

Featuring Luncheon Speaker

BRUCE GLEASON

For Attorney General

Downtown Hilton Hotel

1055 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno

Press Room on Mezzanine

11:30—No Host Cocktails

12 Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch and Program

\$12.50 per person

(Includes Tax & Tip)

*Free Parking is available
in the Courthouse Under-
ground garage.*

This is your chance to meet your fellow SJVRA supporters, the SJVRA team, and to get an update on what SJVRA is doing.

Please make your reservations early by filling out the form below and mailing it to the SJVRA office, 442 No. Fulton St., Fresno, Ca 93701.

YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 1986

Please make _____ reservation(s) for the Thursday August 28 luncheon
at \$12.50 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$ _____ is enclosed

NAME _____

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Ed Zschau vs. Alan Cranston

The hectic, hard fought senatorial primary (13 candidates) is now over and the winner with 37% of the statewide vote is Congressman Ed Zschau. One of the great things about the Republican Party in recent years is the rise in the level of its political maturity and sophistication. Our party fielded some first class talent in this race and the comments and criticisms flowed abundantly as each jockeyed for position. Yet, when the results were in and the winner declared, all the major contenders joined together in unity to support the nominee, Ed Zschau.

Recognition of this fact should be duly noted in behalf of Congresswoman Bobbie Fiedler, State Senator Ed Davis, Assemblyman Bob Naylor, Los Angeles County Supervisor and former CRP State Chair Mike Antonovich, economist Art Laffer and, most especially, TV and radio commentator, Bruce Herschensohn. Herschensohn came in second in this race with 30% of the vote. Late on election night Herschensohn went personally to Ed Zschau's room to concede and offer his support. It was a class act.

The problem now is to defeat Alan Cranston. That is not going to be easy. Cranston has already raised in excess of \$6 million for his re-election campaign and is running anti-Zschau TV commercials throughout the state. Of special interest to our area is that despite Cranston's lipservice support of agriculture, Cranston opposes a guest worker program to ensure an adequate labor supply during peak harvest season and in his inimitable courageous way refuses to take a stand on whether he supports the current grape boycott by Caesar Chavez. He also refuses to take a position on the reconfirmation of Rose Bird.

The State of California, the Republican Party and President Reagan need Ed Zschau as U.S. Senator. We can no longer afford Alan Cranston. Your support, both financially and organizationally, is needed to ensure Cranston's defeat. Let's make sure we win this time.

Local Non-Partisan Race To Be Hard Fought Battle

All local non-partisan races in Fresno County were decided in the June primary except one — the replacement for Municipal Court Judge John Zylka. There were four candidates in the primary and the two left for the runoff in November are Republican Gary Huss and Democrat Charles Putnam.

Although this is a non-partisan office, we feel it appropriate at this time to offer a strong recommendation for Gary Huss. Gary has been a longtime Republican activist. He was one of the original supporters of Republican Associates and serves as an Honorary Trustee. Additionally, he has supported the party and its candidates both financially and with his personal effort. Gary has walked precincts, made phone calls, helped put on functions and done all those nitty-gritty, basic things which are needed to make our party and its candidates successful. We feel that Gary has spent his time working in the vineyards and has earned not only our respect but also our support.

Moreover, Gary Huss brings with his candidacy a conservative viewpoint on crime issues which is needed on the bench. As a criminal prosecutor in the District Attorney's office, Gary has seen firsthand the problems we face in dealing with criminal behavior. His fair but firm approach will make this a safer community for all.

Gary has been both unequivocal and actively vocal in his opposition to the reconfirmation of Supreme Court Justice Rose Bird and her liberal cohorts, Justices Joseph Grodin and Cruz Reynoso. When others attempted to hedge on this issue in past months, Gary spoke out with no hesitation to let you know where he stood. His courage and integrity are unquestioned. Gary Huss will make an excellent Judge of the Municipal Court.

Fresno County Races

At the top of the list, Congressman Charles "Chip" Pashayan is being challenged by Democrat John Hartnett. This could well turn into a spirited, hard fought race as Hartnett is the former Administrative Assistant to Congressman Richard Lehman and will be well-financed. The Democrats have targeted this district as one of only two in California in which they feel they have a chance to unseat an incumbent Republican. Pashayan has been a strong advocate for agriculture and is the only Armenian representative in Congress. Chip needs and deserves our strong support during this election.

Democrat Congressman Tony Coelho is being opposed again by Republican Carol Harner from Merced County.

Democrat Congressman Richard Lehman is being challenged by former Chair of the Fresno County Young Republicans, Dave Crevett. Dave has taken a leave of absence from work and is mounting a comprehensive campaign. One of the issues in this race will be Lehman's efforts to stop all further water development on the Kings River by introducing a bill (HR 4629) to place 92.5 miles in wild and scenic rivers status. This would severely hamper efforts to cure the severe groundwater overdraft problem facing our area and could lead to a water crisis in future years.

State Senator Ken Maddy has only token Democratic opposition and Assemblyman Bill Jones has a free ride since no Democrat filed to run against him.

Democrat Assemblyman Jim Costa is being challenged by Blaine T. Anderson and Democrat Assemblyman Bruce Bronzan is being opposed again by Republican Don Farrington, the 1984 nominee.



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Calendar of Events

Fresno County

Central Committee—Second Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m. State Bldg., 2550 Mariposa St. Contact Ruel Williams, Chairman, at 439-3303.

Fresno County and City Republican Women—New Headquarters now open at 6222 N. First Street, Fresno. Telephone - 435-2557.

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Sheriff-Elect Steve Margarian will be honored at a fundraiser on July 31st at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hyatt. Cocktails are at 6:30 p.m., Dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$250.00 per person. For information call 264-5000.

Crevelt for Congress—Sunday, August 3, 1986. Fundraiser at the Holiday Inn, Centre Plaza. Featuring Congressman Bill Thomas. —\$75 per person for dinner plus \$25 per person for a special pre-dinner reception with the Congressman. For reservations or information, call 268-5733 or 431-2660.

Gary Huss for Judge - Thursday, August 14, 1986. Fundraiser at the Picadilly Inn, Shaw and Van Ness, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Wine and hors d'oeuvres. \$100 per person. For reservations or information, call Brian Tatarian, 486-1761.

Zschau for U.S. Senate—Thursday, August 21, 1986. Fundraiser in Fresno, 6:30-9:00 p.m. Private Reception. \$1,000 per person. For information call Lorna Sloan, 268-7068.

Zschau for U.S. Senate—Friday, August 22, 1986. Fundraiser breakfast at the Picadilly Inn, University. 7:30-9:00 a.m. \$100 per person. For reservations or information, call Lorna Sloan, 268-7068.

Gary Huss for Judge—Reception sponsored by Bob Sears and Carmen Eanni, Thursday, September 9, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. at offices of Miles, Sears & Eanni, 2844 Fresno Street, Fresno. For reservations or information call Brian Tatarian, 486-1761.

Kern County

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Stanislaus County

Central Committee—Meets fourth Monday each month. Contact Jim Dignan, Chair, at 527-7552.

Modesto Republican Women, Federated—Meetings held second Monday each month at 11:30 a.m. Contact Sheila Carrol, Pres., at 523-2016 for location and details.

Tulare County

Central Committee—Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett Jr., Chair at 784-1311.

Visalia Republican Women, Federated—Meets first Monday every other month. Contact Darla Grant at 734-6103.

Zschau for U.S. Senate—Thursday, August 21, 1986. Fundraiser luncheon at the Lamplighter Inn, Visalia, 11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. \$100 per person. For information and reservations call Marilee Frame, 733-3835.

New Republican Office

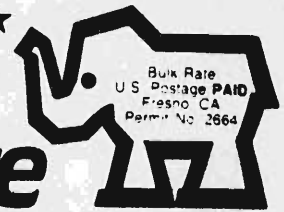
On July 24, the Fresno County and City Republican Women opened their new office at 6222 N. First Street, Suite 124. Rose Barrett, President of the group, announced that the purpose of the office which will be staffed by volunteers is to help elect all Republican candidates in the coming November election. The office will enable more women to actively participate in politics and give the Fresno Republican Women's Federation more visibility in the community. For more information, please call 435-2557.

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ZSCHAU vs. CRANSTON: A Photo Finish?

The Ed Zschau/Alan Cranston race for U.S. Senate has turned out to be the race to watch in statewide California politics this year. This is not to deny the vital importance attached to George Deukmejian's re-election as Governor. We must continue to do everything possible to ensure our Governor's victory. That aside, however, from a purely political perspective, the race for U.S. Senator has offered both more challenge and more excitement.

The reasons for this are numerous. One, Governor Deukmejian is running as an incumbent with a solid record of achievement. His opponent, Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, has been unable to convince either the political professionals or the public that he can do in 1986 what he failed to do in 1982.

Ed Zschau is the challenger against Cranston, an entrenched veteran who is a master at playing special interest group politics. Cranston's philosophy of "promise anything regardless of cost" worked well until recent years. Now, however, the public is beginning to realize that there is a price to pay...and that the bill for Cranston's grandiose spending will result either in reduced economic productivity or as a mortgage on our children's future.

Two, the Governor has both a proven fundraising capacity and operates under a different set of rules for state office. Federal office is governed by the Federal Elections Commission's more stringent guidelines which prohibit corporate contributions and limit donations to a maximum of \$1,000 per person. Zschau, as the challenger in a federal race, has the more difficult task in raising funds necessary for a broad statewide campaign.

And, when you consider that a few short months ago Ed Zschau was a virtual unknown outside of his congressional district in the Santa Clara Valley, Zschau's challenge of Alan Cranston, an 18-year incumbent U.S. Senator, is even more remarkable. Although Zschau started as a mere asterisk in the polls and Cranston had an established name identification rating of 95%, Ed Zschau has managed to turn the contest into a real horse race.

The well-known and closely watched California Poll by Mervin Field released on October 6 showed Zschau at 39% to Cranston's 44%, a difference of only 5 points. This was down from a 13 point lead in the August California Poll results. In addition, when corrected for those most likely to vote, the difference between Cranston and Zschau narrowed to only 3%.

Ed Zschau's own polling which is done by Decision Making Information (DMI), the polling firm used by President Reagan, now shows one week later that Zschau and Cranston are dead even at 45% each.

Although polls can be highly accurate, on occasion they can also be dead wrong and embarrassing to the pollster. In 1982, one major poll showed Tom Bradley as seeming to be a sure bet for winning the Governor's race. We are sure that the Duke has that framed somewhere.

As a matter of information, a few points need to be made about polls and polling methods. One is that at best any poll is like a snapshot taken at a particular moment in time. A poll does not predict the future, it only records a response for the period during which the polling is conducted.

Two, all polls have a margin of error, usually about three percent. This means that a result published as 50 could actually be anything between 47 and 53.

Three, polling is an inexact science and certain assumptions must be made in determining the overall model used for a particular poll. A major factor in this is voter turnout—both in terms of total vote and especially in the breakdown of Democrat versus Republican vote for that election.

A high voter turnout will normally mean a higher percentage of Democrats will vote and the liberal bias will be larger. A low voter turnout will normally reflect a more conservative bias to the results since Republicans are traditionally the more dedicated voter group. In any event, the polling firm must make an arbitrary decision in constructing the voting model to be used as a base for the actual polling results. This can often lead to a disparity in results shown by different polls, even when they get essentially the same responses from the public.

The fourth, and last comment, is that professional polls are nonetheless very useful and can be extremely indicative of the results. A series of polls done in sequence is like a roadmap. They show direction—and momentum. These are vital elements of a political campaign.

One of the highly encouraging facts about the Zschau campaign is that Zschau has continued to steadily chip away at Cranston's lead. The gap keeps narrowing as more and more information becomes available to the public. Ed Zschau stated very early that "if the public gets to know me and what I stand for and if they have the opportunity to compare that with Cranston's record, I win."

The race to date is by and large a reflection of that statement. Coming from the status of an unknown who registered less than one percent in the polls, Ed Zschau has slowly and methodically brought his message to the people of California. He won a surprising yet convincing victory in the Republican primary against some firstclass competition and gained the opportunity to face Alan Cranston in November.

The day after the primary on June 3rd, Alan Cranston started firing his big guns. Cranston hit Zschau with a million dollar media blitz in an effort to destroy Zschau before he could mount an effective general election campaign. One of Cranston's political advisors believes that a relatively unknown opponent like Ed Zschau is like a blank canvas and that the job of the Cranston campaign should be to paint their image of Ed Zschau on that canvas before Zschau has a chance to establish his own.

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In general this is a very effective strategy and in the particular case of Zschau it worked fairly well. Cranston came out swinging and there is little doubt that he bloodied Zschau's nose and perhaps put a cut or two on his cheeks. Cranston definitely won the first two rounds (June and July) while the Zschau campaign was restructuring from the primary and gearing up for the general election.

One must not forget, however, that there are five rounds (months) in this particular bout. The month of August was basically a standoff. By this time Zschau had his organization in place and fundraising events coming on schedule. He held his own against Cranston while moving slowly to a more offensive posture. In tight terms, you would call this a time for counter-punching.

The day after Labor Day in September brought a full-scale counter attack. Zschau went on the offensive. He began letting the people of California learn everything they ever wanted to know about Alan Cranston, but were afraid to ask. And Cranston screamed. He cried. He yelled for the referee to stop the fight!

He charged that Ed Zschau was being unfair. In fact Cranston moaned and groaned so much that one could not be sure whether Cranston was accusing Ed of hitting below the belt or of having lead weights in his boxing gloves. Although Alan Cranston has had a long and dubious history of distorting his opponents' positions and used that tactic against Zschau in June and July, he now was faced with a challenger who was telling the truth about Cranston's own record.

And Cranston does not want the public to know that record. If the public, in fact, does become aware of Alan Cranston's public statements, positions and actual votes in Congress. Alan is in big trouble. And Cranston knows this. He cannot afford to defend his record in public.

For this reason, Alan Cranston has repeatedly refused to accept all offers to debate Zschau. Ed has accepted the proposal by the League of Women Voters for three debates—two with Cranston and one with the three minor party candidates. Even the minor party candidates have pronounced this arrangement to be fair and acceptable and have called upon Cranston to join in a public dialogue.

On the surface one would think that Cranston would welcome the opportunity to set the record straight. He has accused Ed of misleading and distorted attacks. A public debate carried on statewide TV would offer the perfect opportunity to rebut any false statements. But Alan is not interested.

Since Cranston refuses to debate Zschau, in the spirit of public service, the R/A newsletter offers to its readers a short comparison of their positions on the issues and their records in Congress. We hope that the following will be of interest to our readers.

Government Spending—Ed Zschau has received awards for being the "Taxpayer's Best Friend." Alan Cranston was rated "Biggest Spender in the U.S. Senate" by the National Taxpayers Union. Cranston's record on business and on government spending is rated 99th out of 100 Senators by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce...only Teddy Kennedy has a worse record.

Federal Budget Deficits—Ed Zschau understands that our budget deficit must be reduced if we are to have lower interest rates and a stable dollar, two vitally important needs of agriculture here in our valley. Ed co-authored the Balanced Budget Amendment, voted for the Gramm-Rudman Deficit Reduction Act and supports giving President Reagan line-item veto power in order to eliminate wasteful spending. Alan Cranston has opposed all these measures.

Death Penalty—Alan Cranston opposes the death penalty, even for terrorists and others who commit heinous crimes. Ed Zschau believes that the public has a right to be permanently protected from vicious killers who premeditatedly use violence to take innocent lives.

Drugs—Alan Cranston only discovered in this past year that we have a drug problem. Prior to his re-election campaign he either missed or voted against virtually every major piece of drug legislation in the previous 16 years. Ed Zschau knows we have a drug problem and supports tough measures to combat it.

Rose Bird—Ed Zschau opposes the reconfirmation of Rose Bird as Supreme Court Chief Justice. Although a past strong supporter of Rose Bird, Alan Cranston now refuses to take a position on this important issue. At various times Cranston has used the excuse that this is a local California issue and that he is running for federal office...also that he does not want to become involved in judicial matters. This, of course, did not deter Cranston from attacking President Reagan's court appointments. Nor does his inconsistency keep him from becoming personally involved in other state issues such as Prop 65.

National Defense—Ed Zschau believes we can achieve a lasting peace only through strength and that our national security can best be assured by providing for a strong defense. Alan Cranston has been a consistent apostle of weakness whose wishful thinking in foreign policy is almost identical to that of Chamberlain at Munich in 1939.

Of Special Interest to Agriculture

Proposition 65 (Toxic Initiative)—Alan Cranston not only supports Prop 65, he donated \$25,000 to help fund it. Ed Zschau vigorously opposes this measure as being anti-agriculture and anti-jobs. Ed understands that passage of Prop 65 will devastate agriculture's ability to produce. Although its title (Safe Drinking Water and Toxics Control Act of 1986) sounds like motherhood and apple pie, even such a strong environmental newspaper as The Fresno Bee finds the act to be flawed and urges its defeat.

Guest Worker Program—Alan Cranston has consistently opposed guest worker programs. Ed Zschau understands that farmers need an adequate and dependable supply of labor at harvest time and supported the guest worker provisions in the recent immigration bill.

Grape Boycott—Ed Zschau opposes the current grape boycott. Alan Cranston, a long time supporter of Cesar Chavez and the UFW, refuses to take a position.

Farm Credit System—Ed Zschau supported the 1985 bill to strengthen the Farm Credit System. Alan Cranston opposed it.

Fair Trade—Alan Cranston is overly concerned with hurting the feelings of our foreign competitors. Ed Zschau believes we must pursue an aggressive and pro-active trade negotiating policy, which will eliminate unfair trade practices by foreign governments. Ed believes it is time to place agriculture on a par with manufacturing in our efforts to break down unfair trade restrictions in foreign markets.

These are just a few of the differences between Ed Zschau and Alan Cranston. Cranston is not a friend of the taxpayer. He is not a friend of crime victims. He is not a friend of California agriculture. The ultimate outcome of the U.S. Senate race, however, will hinge not on the previously listed facts themselves, but rather on whether the Zschau campaign has the financial capacity to make the public aware of these facts. Without the money needed for TV and direct mail in order to publicize Cranston's record, the facts will never become known and California voters may once again return to office a Senator who does not really represent the bedrock views of the electorate.

The Senate race offers an unusual challenge and an unusual opportunity. It is a crucial race in determining control of the U.S. Senate. Many observers believe that the outcome of the Zschau/Cranston matchup will decide whether or not the Republican Party maintains majority control of the Senate. This will also determine if President Reagan's programs are to be continued during these next two years.

Much hangs in balance and your participation in this race can make a difference. Momentum and timing are now on Zschau's side. With the further support of good Republicans, Alan Cranston will be retired once and for all and Ed Zschau will be the next U.S. Senator from California.

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Statewide Races

Just to refresh everyone's memory, the statewide Republican slate is as follows:

George Deukmejian for Governor
Mike Curb for Lieutenant Governor
Bruce Nestande for Secretary of State
Bill Campbell for State Controller
Bruce Gleason for Attorney General
Ed Zschau for U.S. Senate

Local Republican Races

Three local Republican races have generated a combination of activity, excitement and controversy. Two are partisan and one is non-partisan.

PASHAYAN/HARTNETT

At the top of the ticket is the challenge to Republican Congressman Chip Pashayan by Democrat John Hartnett. This has been a spirited race, primarily because Hartnett is a political pro, having served as campaign manager/consultant to several local politicians. In short, he knows how the game is played and was able to put together a good grass roots organization and lay the foundation for a respectable campaign.

In addition, Hartnett served as Administrative Assistant to Democrat Congressman Rick Lehman until his leave of absence to campaign full time. The Lehman connection has provided Hartnett with both contacts and money. This race has been targeted now by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee which has brought in Tony Coelho with additional money and professional help.

Hartnett has vigorously attacked Pashayan but the latest polls still show Pashayan with a respectable lead. So far Chip's campaign has chosen to stay with a positive note and ignore Hartnett's attacks. Pashayan's support of a strong foreign policy and his proven fiscal conservatism should provide the edge for his re-election victory.

CREVELT/LEHMAN

Newcomer Dave Crevelt is carrying the Republican banner against two-term incumbent Democrat Congressman Rick Lehman. Dave's campaign has done an exceptional job in recruiting volunteers. Over 300 students from seven different high schools have participated to date.

Any new challenger going against an incumbent always has a problem with finances. It is difficult to convince the money people that there is a legitimate chance to win, so most first time campaigns are usually short the funds necessary for an extensive media campaign. Crevelt has done his best, however, to make up in volunteer activity and enthusiasm what may be lacking in finances. Good job, Dave.

One of the keys to this race will be Republican turnout. A strong GOTV effort will make a difference for both Dave and many other Republican candidates. If you have not already volunteered for the Team '86 election effort, please do so. You are needed.

HUSS/PUTNAM

Republican Gary Huss is locked in a tight race with Democrat Chip Putnam for Clovis Municipal Court Judge. Both have done an excellent job of collecting endorsements, raising money and putting together good volunteer campaigns. Everywhere you look there is a Huss and/or a Putnam sign.

Many of the political pros say that this one is so evenly matched that it is too close to call. This means that any extra effort may make a difference. Gary could use your help.

Brief Notes On Other Races

Although Senator Ken Maddy has only token opposition, future candidates take a close look at vote totals even in this type situation, so Ken could use solid Republican support.

Democrat Congressman Tony Coelho is being opposed by Merced Republican Carol Harner. Republican Don Farrington is challenging Democrat Assemblyman Bruce Bronzan. Blaine T. Anderson is the Republican nominee against Democrat Assemblyman Jim Costa. Good Republican Assemblyman Bill Jones has a free ride this election trip. No one had the courage to file against him.

Out of our immediate area, but vitally important to our efforts at the state level, Republican Assemblyman Don Rogers in Bakersfield is in a heavy duty battle for retiring Senator Walter Stierns' seat. Republican Kern County Supervisor Trice Harvey is equally engaged in a heated contest to replace Rogers in the vacated Assembly seat. Up north, Republican Tom Legan is vying with Democrat Dan McCourquodale for the state senate seat being vacated by Ernest Konnyu who is running for the congressional seat being vacated by Ed Zschau who is opposing Alan Cranston. Be sure to get that all straight so you can tell your friends.

And, of course, all these good Republican friends need our help and support and votes. Let's all do our job between now and November 4.

Statewide Victory Celebration

The California Republican Party Victory Celebration will be at the Century Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles where all statewide candidates will be in attendance. After appearing in Los Angeles, Ed Zschau will return home to northern California for a celebration at the Santa Clara Marriott Hotel.



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Calendar of Events

Fresno County

Fresno County Republican Central Committee—Meets second Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m. State Bldg., 2550 Mariposa St. Contact Ruel Williams, Chair, at 439-3303.

Fresno County and City Republican Women—New Headquarters at 6222 N. First St., Fresno. Telephone 435-2557. Rose Barrett, President.

Hispanic Republican Assembly of California—Chapter meetings at various times and places. Contact Bernard Liscano, Pres. at 275-9268.

Fresno Republican Assembly—Monthly meetings, Smugglers Inn. Contact Charles Casey, Pres. at 435-5407. Next meeting Oct. 29th, 7:30 p.m.

Fresno Young Republicans—Contact Mark Astone, Pres. 229-7034.

Gary Huss Election Night Party—For details call 252-6841.

Fresno Election Night Victory Party—Tuesday, Nov. 4th, 8 p.m. Baker Street Room, Downtown Hilton. Three TVs, live music. For further information call Team 86—225-8185.

Young Republicans Recruitment Dinner—Thurs., Nov. 6th. For information call 229-7034.

Kern County

Kern County Republican Central Committee—Meets second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. Contact Martha Faligatter, Chair., at 397-6200.

Bakersfield Republican Women, Federated—Meets second Tuesday each month, noon at the Red Lion Inn. Contact Mary Piland, Pres. at 725-0278 or 322-4027.

Kern County Young Republicans—Meets monthly. Call 325-6893 for information.

Congressman Bill Thomas—Sunday, Nov. 2nd, 5-8 p.m. Civic Auditorium, 1001 Truxton, Bakersfield. Dinner \$12/family.

Bakersfield Election Night Party—Tuesday, Nov. 4th, 8 p.m. Republican Headquarters, 2424 Chester Avenue, Bakersfield. Live TV coverage, all local candidates.

Kings County

Kings County Republican Central Committee—Meeting held last Monday of each month at noon at the Sportsman's Club, 1826 N. 10th, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chair, at 584-2611.

Kings County Republican Women—Meets fourth Thursday of each month, luncheon at Sportsman's Club, 1826 N. 10th, Hanford. Pres. Alice Rose—582-4579. Oct. 24th meeting—pros and cons of propositions, guest speaker Nick Kinney.

Hanford Election Night Victory Party—Tuesday, Nov. 4th, 7 p.m. Republican Headquarters, 108 E. 8th St., Hanford.

Key to Victory — Team '86

The real key to Republican victory at the state level and with local candidates will hinge on the success of our Team '86 efforts. The California Republican Party established an ambitious and comprehensive plan to find and register new Republicans, recruit volunteers and turn out the Republican vote on election day. So far these efforts have been positive.

We are in the latter stage of step two (recruiting volunteers) and have yet to put in motion step three (Get Out The Vote). Aiding in the overall plan is the concept of Team '86 — a combined effort by and in behalf of all Republican candidates.

Part of the Team '86 concept is to establish a central Republican headquarters in all major counties. This has been done in Fresno County. The address is 5665 N. Blackstone (just south of Gettysburg) and the phone number is 222-8185. This is the central contact point for information and for volunteer efforts.

Madera County

Madera County Republican Party—Meets first Monday each month at noon at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G Sts., Madera. Contact Elsie Buchenau, Chair, at 674-5159.

Madera Republican Women, Federated—Monthly luncheon at Madera County Library, 121 N. G St., Blanch Galloway Room. Contact Lorraine Bennett, Pres., at 674-2030. Next meeting Tues., Oct. 28th, guest speaker Nan Rigby will go over ballot propositions.

Madera Election Night Victory Party—27204 San Jose St., Madera. Further information call 674-7040.

Merced County

Merced County Republican Central Committee—Meets third Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 11, Merced. Contact Baker Ring, Chair., at 723-0802 or Chuck Meyer at 283-7774.

Merced Republican Women, Federated—Meets third Monday each month at the Branding Iron, 16 St., Merced, 11:30 a.m. Contact Linda Kollman, Pres., 723-6962 or Colleen Nordman 383-0422.

San Joaquin County

San Joaquin County Republican Central Committee—Meets first Monday each month, 7:30 p.m., San Joaquin County Courthouse Annex. Contact Don Parson, Executive Director 463-5021.

Stanislaus County

Stanislaus County Republican Central Committee—Meets fourth Monday each month, 7 p.m. Will have a permanent building beginning January 7, 1987. Contact Jim Dignan, Chair., 527-7552.

Modesto Republican Women, Federated—Meets second Monday each month at 11:30 a.m. Contact Sheila Carrol, Pres. at 523-2016 for location and details.

Tulare County

Tulare County Republican Central Committee—Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the County Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Bill Bennett Jr., Chair at 784-1311.

Southeastern Tulare County Republican Women—Meets second Wednesday of each month, 11:45, at the Palace Hotel, 22 E. Oak, Porterville. Contact Linda Searcy, Pres., at 781-9265 or 784-7656.

Tulare Republican Women, Federated—Meets 8 times a year, 3rd Thursday, December meeting, home of Virginia Robertson. Contact Marge Lancaster, Pres. at 686-3601.

COS Republicans—Pres. Barry Fischer 733-9345.

Tulare County Republican Headquarters—Porterville 781-6274—Tulare 686-7051—Visalia 738-2664. Call and volunteer for Election Day!

Congressman Chip Fashayan—Oct. 29th cocktail party at the home of Bill and Terri Bennett. Further information call 784-0783.

Deukmejian —	228-1125
Zschau —	228-1039
Pashayan —	225-2447
Crevelt —	229-4921

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It may go without saying, but we will say it anyway, since this is of vital importance—we need more volunteers for our GOTV (Get Out The Vote) efforts. All our good work will be for naught if we do not translate those efforts into actual votes on November 3. The Republican Party needs your help. Do your part to make Team '86 a success.

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Post Election Commentary

It is fairly easy to either get extremely excited or very depressed after a major election contest. It all depends on who won and what side you voted for. We have now had some time for the initial emotional surge of last November to subside and most post election commentary has been read or heard and absorbed. Perhaps now is a good time to step back and get a better perspective on the results and what we may expect in the future.

For us here in the central valley, the only significant change was the replacement of retiring Democrat State Senator Walter Stiern by Republican Don Rogers. Statewide, the Republicans held their own in the Assembly and made small, but significant, gains in the State Senate. The Senate seems to offer the best chance for the Republican Party to control at least one house in the legislature in 1990 when reapportionment will be the main issue. At the executive level, we re-elected Governor George Deukmejian with an overwhelming majority. Unfortunately, the remainder of the ticket was defeated and all constitutional offices other than Governor are now held by Democrats.

At the national level, Republicans suffered more or less expected mid-term losses in the House of Representatives. In the U.S. Senate, however, the result was DISASTER spelled in capital letters. The Senate went from a 53/47 Republican majority to 55/45 Democrat control. This figure is now 54/46 due to the death of Democrat Senator Ed Zorinsky of Nebraska. He was replaced by appointment with Republican David Karnes.

In addition to the defeat of several incumbent Republican U.S. Senators, the party failed to capture open seats, such as in Nevada where Paul Laxalt was retiring, or to upset vulnerable Democrats such as California's Alan Cranston. Ed Zschau's narrow loss to Cranston was tough to swallow - only 104,000 votes out of nearly seven million - about 1-½ percent. This, however, was the first election in which Alan Cranston had ever lost in the San Joaquin Valley. Zschau carried all eight valley counties with a plurality of nearly 70,000 votes over Cranston.

As disappointing as the national results may have been to us in the Republican Party, it is doubtful whether the election outcome will result in sweeping change. The Republicans had a Senate majority for only six years while the Democrats had control for nearly a quarter of a century. In addition, during the past six years the Democrats controlled the House and Tip O'Neill had loaded all the key committees which originate significant legislation with Democrats. Consequently, there has, in effect, been a standoff in many areas of legislation. Since the initial euphoria of President Reagan's early years (1981-82), there has been little that

has come out of Congress that was not a major component of the Reagan agenda and did not have a broad appeal with the support of both parties.

Of course, there will be some differences following the recent election. We have already seen evidence of change. The Democrat leadership seems more willing to attack the President in a direct manner, especially so since the "Iran/Contra Affair." The recent veto and override on the highway funding bill, however, is more an example of a President standing in the path of a speeding train being fueled and driven by both parties. There was too much pork for too many people.

Major legislation will continue to require fairly broad bipartisan support. The Republican minority is still strong enough that, coupled with the threat of a Presidential veto, it is capable of blocking far-out legislation which is not supported by the people at large. Conversely, the Democrats with a majority in both houses can easily block legislation that they believe is not in their interest. The net effect is that we will have government by coalition and this is really little different from the situation of the past four years.

Despite the partisan rhetoric, the proponents of a new Great Society will have little success in battling the "Reagan Revolution." The public and legislators of both parties are mostly disenchanted with wasteful spending and elaborate social programs which do not work. And despite murmurings to the contrary, the Democrats will not attempt an across-the-board, major tax increase. They remember only too well what happened to Mondale in 1984. And the huge budget deficit will place a practical limit on any new spending increases.

The nature of competition will change, though. For the past six years it has been the House versus the Senate. It will now be the legislative versus the President and when both are on the same wavelength, some bills will be passed and become law. When they are not, there will be a stalemate and legislation will be limited to those areas where either a compromise can be reached or the legislation will be so watered down it can attract bi-partisan support.

Although foreign policy, which includes arms control, the contras and SDI, will be of issue and make lots of headlines, possibly the most significant battle to be fought in the coming session will be over the budget, the current deficit and our Federal debt. Our trade deficit is still with us and will not go away soon. The developing countries are still mired in foreign debt and on the brink of collapse. And the U.S. has now taken the lead with a \$2 trillion Federal debt which is growing at the rate of \$200 billion a year.

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The responsibility for the Federal deficit will now shift to the Democrats. In view of their historical propensity to spend and spend and spend, it is doubtful that we will see any major progress toward solving the problem. The Democrats, who have established an unenviable record of support for ever-increasing government spending, are hardly going to be the ones to drastically slash expenditures. Additionally, many Democrat lawmakers are already hinting that the deficit reduction called for under Gramm-Rudman is an unrealistic goal which will have to be revised and/or ignored.

Majority Leader Senator Byrd of West Virginia has indicated that he favors changing the law to allow for "more flexible" deficit targets. You may read more flexible to mean increased spending. In any event, without a major reduction in spending or an increase in taxes, the only way the deficit is going to be reduced is through budget gimmicks and accounting tricks. The posturing and maneuvering on the budget during the current session could supply great material for a hit Broadway show.

Another major domestic issue to be addressed will be the farm problem. The Democrats had a field day in the farm belt campaigning against Republicans. They laid the blame for the depression in agriculture squarely at the Republican's feet and Republican incumbents were voted out of office despite the fact that agricultural subsidies had increased from \$4 billion in 1981 to \$30 billion this past year.

Look for the Democrats to propose new programs which will cut government expenditures in farming but will push farm prices up. Included in such plans will be tougher trade laws against our farm competitors and possibly sharp restrictions on production with an increase in subsidy payments. An effort will also be made to restrict more closely the amount of payment any one grower may receive. Regardless of what combination is finally passed, look for an increase in prices to the consumer and a higher rate of inflation the following year.

Our trade deficit has become a problem of major proportions. It is not only an economic problem, it has also become a political problem, and restrictive trade legislation threatens to become a major issue. The reason is that the trade deficit has become the single biggest deterrent to economic expansion in the United States. The problem, however, has been long in coming and is not susceptible to easy, quick fixes. We have had trouble competing for at least a decade and our merchandise trade went into a decisive deficit position back in 1976.

Our huge trade deficit which is nearly \$200 billion has put us for the first time into a debtor status. In just three years, we have gone from being the world's number one creditor to becoming the world's number one debtor. We once looked aghast at the debtor economies of Brazil and Mexico and others who allowed themselves to spend their countries into potential bankruptcy. We have now joined them. We will soon owe more to foreign creditors than all other nations of the world combined.

Unlike borrowing for capital improvements, for investment in productive facilities, our debt has been incurred in order to facilitate government borrowing. And we are now borrowing to pay interest on what we borrowed in the past. For a saver, there is magic in compound interest. For the debtor, compound interest becomes a bottomless pit if measures are not taken to correct the problem.

The gap between our imports and exports will continue to widen unless there are some major structural changes in the U.S. Unfortunately, this is not something that is to be expected as a result of Congressional legislation. And politically expedient legislation will only make the problem worse. The battle of the trade deficit will be fought as part of the larger war over fiscal and legislative responsibility.

All About R/A

Republican Associates has several important announcements and events to share with its friends and supporters:

A NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



In January, Lorna Sloan became the new executive director of R/A. Lorna has been an active supporter of the Republican Party for several years and is well-known and respected by many of our state and national leaders. Her past involvement in most phases of party and election efforts gives her invaluable knowledge and experience.

Lorna will devote full time to coordinating R/A activities. Current plans call for expansion of the Board of Trustees to include more community leaders in our central valley area. Also in the works is a major fundraising event with Republican Minority Leader and potential presidential candidate, U.S. Senator Robert Dole. It is hoped that we will soon have a date confirmed for this event.

NEW SUPPORTERS AND RENEWALS

R/A continues to receive strong support from central valley Republicans who recognize the need for building a solid Republican base for future election victory. We express our appreciation to both our original supporters and to those new contacts who are providing financial assistance to the R/A program. If you have not yet renewed your support for 1987, please send your contribution now to the new R/A address at 6210 N. First Street, #124, Fresno, California 93710. Thank you.

NEW HONORARY TRUSTEES

Charles Bonner, Dennes Coombs, John Harris and Richard Peters join Ernest Mobley as new Honorary Trustees of R/A. Former State Assemblyman Ernie Mobley was a founding member of R/A and served as the first Chairman of the Board of Republican Associates. The addition of these new trustees will further expand the potential of R/A.

A NEW R/A OFFICE

The R/A Board has accepted the generous offer of the Fresno City and County Federated Republican Women to share space and expense in their facilities. The office of Republican Associates is now at 6210 N. First Street, #124, Fresno, California 93710. The new telephone number is (209) 431-2133.

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Guest Commentary

Editor's note: this issue of the R/A Newsletter contains our first guest commentary. The recent Supreme Court decision on affirmative action re Paul Johnson vs. Diane Joyce and Santa Clara County makes this article of topical interest. R/A does not endorse any position or particular viewpoint promoted in a guest commentary. The views expressed in the following article are solely those of the author, local Republican activist Ward Nelson.

Wouldn't you know it! Just when you might have thought that the Reagan revolution had managed to take some of the fizz out of affirmative action, it pops up again, bigger and dopier than ever.

Current brainwaves from the new age social progressives have whipped up a little gem called "educational equity." For the uninitiated and the unenlightened, the thrust of "equity," as it is lovingly called around the somber halls of the academe, is to increase the percentage representation of "minorities" among college student populations to a state of "parity" with that of the surrounding population as a whole.

It is not considered good taste to ask whether that makes sense or not. It IS considered horribly gauche to suggest that maybe the "underrepresented" might not in fact be meeting general admissions criteria proportionally or that they may just not even give a hoot about going to college in the first place - a choice they are apparently presumed not to have the brains to make for themselves. And it is considered downright reactionary to imply that market demand should determine who goes to college and who, God forbid, chooses to stay out and actually get a job.

Nevertheless, equity is a red hot item in educational circles these days. If you are a nonbeliever, take a look at the March 10, 1986 issue of the California State University organ, "Stateline," page 4, which boasts, "Within the past five years the State of California has invested approximately \$70,000,000 in education equity programs in the California State University."

It gets better: "We have been far less than successful in achieving equity to the fullest extent possible." Here one might think that a program that consumed \$70 million in five years and didn't work might be a candidate for the trash bin. Not so the progressives. Their solution, naturally, is to go forth and spend billions to achieve that elusive success.

Note, please, that this wisdom comes from the same bean-bag intellectuals who continue endlessly to remind us that we aren't spending enough for education. Our intuition tells us that if they were really so concerned about education, \$70 million more or less could have bought a lot of math teachers, computers or study aides over those five years. But then, agendas change and social shenanigans are where it's at today. Obviously, the general public is just not with the program.

If you're still not convinced that this is serious stuff, grit your teeth and ponder the following excerpt from a report issued by the caring members of a real but nameless local faculty senate: "The ultimate goal of equity outreach is to increase the number of historically underrepresented students who will successfully seek and gain admission to the university until some point that equity population enrollment representation is proportional to the size of the eligible pool. A corollary is to increase the size of the eligible pool until minority representation is comparable to the majority pool."

Cutting through the fog, what this seems to say is that if they ain't eligible, make 'em, and if they don't want to come, bring 'em in anyway. Conscribing reluctant students cost big bucks, folks, and the stakes are getting higher.

Reading on, we learn, "Performance evaluations completed by the Office of the chancellor on an annual basis will be based solely (emphasis mine) upon equity outcomes." Is that heavy or what?

Now comes the clincher: "It is the collective thinking of leading legislators that state dollars will be distributed at least in part on the basis of equity performance AND OUTCOMES." The leading legislators are unnamed, but you can probably guess who they are and that they are not above making naked threats with our money in the name of social reformation.

Affirmative action doctrine has certainly not been flattering to the targeted minorities, insinuating, as it were, that they will never make it in this life without the perpetual clutch of welfare, the wholesale relaxing of standards or the goofball stroking of a wildly proliferating cadre of crusading social workers. The minorities themselves deserve better.

What's so depressing is that the progressive reformists are convincing a lot of folks that their ideas are actually rational. Educational equity is a manifestation of a timeworn, harebrained idea that has failed miserably, but the "leading legislators" obviously have the academics running scared. If they're allowed to continue, the taxpayers will again come up the big losers. Not to mention the Reagan revolution.



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Fresno County

Fresno County Republican Central Committee - Meets second Thursday each month, 7:30 p.m., Heritage Condominiums Community Center, 4919 N. Millbrook. Contact Chair, Don Farrington, at 226-9158 or Dick Nelson, 251-9177.

Fresno County and City Federated Republican Women - Meets fourth Thursday each month, 11:30 a.m. Ramada Inn, Fresno. Contact Diane Berry, President at 432-2099, or Republican Women's Office, 435-2557.

Fresno Republican Assembly - Meets third Thursday each month, 7:00 p.m., Rodeway Inn, Fresno. Contact Nick Sfetku, President, at 439-9075 or 431-7678, or Charles Casey, 435-5407.

Fresno County Young Republicans - For information contact Mark Astone, 229-7034, or Erin McIlhatton, 226-9578.

Fresno County Events

Republican Women, April 23, 1987, Guest Speaker: Octavia Diener, Fresno County Planning Commission. Call 432-2099.

Central Committee, May 31, 1987, GOP Jamboree - Dixieland Jazz Bands and Antique Car Show, 10:00 a.m. to Dusk, Selma Pioneer Village, Admission \$5.00. Call 226-9158 or Cynthia at 456-0472. Volunteers Needed!

Kings County

Kings County Republican Central Committee - Meets last Monday of each month at noon at the Sportsman's Club, 1826 N. 10th, Hanford. Contact Terry Harper, Chair, at 584-2611.

Kings County Republican Women - Meets fourth Thursday of each month, luncheon at Sportman's Club, 1826 N. 10th, Hanford. Contact Alice Rose, President, at 582-4579

Kings County Young Republicans - for information contact Kayla Camera, 583-7350.

Kings County Events

Central Committee, May 8, 1987 - Luncheon with State Senator Don Rogers. Hanford Fraternal Hall, 1015 N. 10th Avenue, Hanford, 12:00 Noon, \$25.00 per person. Call Terry Harper at 584-2611 or Kayla Camera at 583-7350 for tickets.

Madera County

Madera County Republican Central Committee - Meets first Monday each month at noon at Madera Valley Inn, 4th and G Streets, Madera. Contact Bill Holmes, Chair, at 674-4535.

Madera Republican Women - Monthly luncheon at Madera County Library, 121 G. Street, Blanch Galloway Room. Contact Lorraine Bennett, President, at 674-2030.

Merced County

Merced County Republican Central Committee - Meets fourth Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Merced County Administration Bldg., Rm. 11, Merced. Contact Linda Kollman, Chair, at 384-0444 or Chuck Meyer at 283-7774.

Merced Republican Women - Meets third Monday each month at the Branding Iron, 16th Street, Merced, 11:30 a.m. Contact Deanna King, President, at 723-2484.

Tulare County

Tulare County Republican Central Committee - Meets second Tuesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the County Education Bldg., Visalia. Contact Archie Symons, Chair, at 798-1404, or Marilee Frame at 733-3835.

Tulare Republican Women - Meets third Thursday each month. Contact Sandy Langiano, President, at 686-2079.

Southern Tulare County Republican Women - Meets third Wednesday each month, 11:45 a.m., at Charlie's on North Main Street. Contact Mildred Fink, President, at 562-5681, or Kim Ott at 781-7102.

"See How They Run"

The preceding phrase is the title of the Action Course in Practical Politics which is being presented by the Fresno City and County Chamber of Commerce on May 21. The session will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Chamber offices at 2331 Fresno Street. Cost and arrangements for the speaker are being handled by the Fresno County Life Underwriters Association.

In addition to being a nonpartisan political education course which would be of beneficial interest to everyone, this particular course involves a challenging campaign management simulation game which captures all of the realism, excitement, and frustration of politics. Participants will divide into competing teams with each team attempting to put together a winning campaign for its U.S. Senate candidate.

The simulation is based entirely on the information contained in the text of the Action Course. The team that accumulates the most victory points, through superior knowledge of campaign organization and strategy, elects its candidate. This game of political "Monopoly" is both fun and informative. We urge you to attend.

The specific goals of the course are to:

- Explore the role of the individual in politics.
- Develop an understanding of political party organization and operation.
- Enable participants to recognize opportunities for getting started in politics.
- Reveal specific ways in which individuals can use their particular talents, abilities, and knowledge in politics.
- Improve participant's knowledge and understanding of what it takes to win elections.

- Provide practice in applying judgement to problems of winning elections.
- Create opportunities for participants to get firsthand information about politics on the local level and to meet local, county, and state politicians.
- Inspire participants to consider carefully their own qualifications for public office.
- Help citizens learn how to work effectively for the candidates and party of their choice.

The course helps lead the way to election victories. The way to win elections is by working at it, but first of all, by knowing how to work. Cost of the course is \$20 per person which includes lunch.

The Board of Directors of Republican Associates has voted to sponsor 10 persons for participation in the course. This is one more way in which R/A works to build a strong, informed Republican foundation in our valley. If you are interested in attending the Chamber's Action Course, please contact R/A for further information.

Special Election Tuesday, May 12, 1987

Assemblyman Wayne Grisham and Governor Deukmejian need your help. Tuesday, May 12 is an important day for all California Republicans - a special election to fill the vacant 33rd state senate seat.

All over the state volunteers are being asked to participate in this extremely important election. We need this seat in order to block another Democrat gerrymander by having a say in the 1990 reapportionment.

Please volunteer by calling Jean Schwafel, 431-2660. Not only will you be making an important contribution but you will also have a lot of fun . . . and it will not cost you a thing. Transportation will be provided.

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San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates

**invites you
to attend
the**

First Quarterly Luncheon

Thursday, November 21, 1985

Downtown Hilton Skyroom

1055 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno

11:30—No Host Cocktails

12 Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch and Program

\$10.⁰⁰ per person
(Includes Tax & Tip)

**Free Parking is available
in the Courthouse Under-
ground garage.**

This is your chance to meet your fellow SJVRA supporters, the SJVRA team, and to get an update on what SJVRA is doing. Your SJVRA certificate and contributor card will be available (our first 100 contributors will receive framed certificates.).

Please make your reservations early by filling out the form below and mailing it to the SJVRA office, 442 No. Fulton St., Fresno, Ca 93701.

YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1985.

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Please make _____ reservations(s) for the Thursday, November 21st luncheon at \$10.00 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$_____ is enclosed.

NAME _____

The SJVRA contributor list is confidential. However, it would be helpful in building the organization if we were able to inform prospective members of our existing supporters. Please sign below if you are willing to give permission for the use of your name as an SJVRA supporter.

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San Joaquin Valley
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Quarterly Luncheon

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1986

Downtown Hilton Skyroom

1055 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno

11:30—No Host Cocktails

12 Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch and Program

\$10.00 per person

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YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1986.

Please make _____ reservation(s) for the Thursday, February 20th luncheon
at \$10.00 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$ _____ is
enclosed.

NAME _____

All Republican candidates for Sheriff in Fresno, Tulare, and Kings
Counties have been invited as featured guests. All three Fresno
County candidates -- Gerald Galvin/Steve Magarian and Richard
Pierce -- have accepted and will address the R/A membership and
answer questions.

2 (102) *Shirley M. Kline*

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San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates

invites you
to attend
the

Fourth Quarterly Luncheon

Thursday, August 28, 1986

Featuring Luncheon Speaker

BRUCE GLEASON

For Attorney General

Downtown Hilton Hotel

1055 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno

Press Room on Mezzanine

11:30—No Host Cocktails

12 Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch and Program

\$12.50 per person

(Includes Tax & Tip)

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YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 1986

Please make _____ reservation(s) for the Thursday, August 28 luncheon at \$12.50 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$ _____ is enclosed.

NAME _____

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San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates

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to attend
the

Third Quarterly Luncheon

Wednesday, May 21, 1986

Featuring Luncheon Speaker

MIKE CURB

for Lt. Governor

Downtown Hilton Hotel

1055 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno

Press Room on Mezzanine

11:30—No Host Cocktails

12 Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch and Program

\$12.50 per person

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YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MAY 16, 1986.

Please make _____ reservations(s) for the Wednesday, May 21st luncheon at \$12.50 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$ _____ is enclosed.

NAME _____

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San Joaquin Valley
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to attend
the

Third Quarterly Luncheon

Thursday, November 20, 1986

Featuring Luncheon Speaker

KEITH LOVE

L.A. Times Political Writer

Downtown Hilton Hotel

1055 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno

Terrace Room on Mezzanine

11:30 - No Host Cocktails

12 Noon - 1:30 p.m. - Lunch and Program

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YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN MONDAY, NOV. 17, 1986

Please make _____ reservation(s) for the Thursday, Nov. 20th luncheon at \$12.50 each. My check, made out to SJVRA, for \$ _____ is enclosed.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates; Marilee Frame,)
Chairman)

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GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. BACKGROUND

On September 2, 1986, the California Democratic Party filed a complaint against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates ("Republican Associates") and the individuals acting on its behalf. On February 18, 1987, the Commission found reason to believe that Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by making expenditures, as a corporation, in connection with federal elections. The Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there was reason to believe that Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), and 441a(f). It appeared that Republican Associates failed to register and report as a political committee in violation of 2 U.S.C. §§ 433-434, failed to state on its newsletter solicitation that the solicitation was paid for by Republican Associates in violation of 441d(a), accepted corporate contributions in violation of 441b(a), and accepted excessive contributions in violation of 441a(f).

On May 6, 1987, the Respondents filed an extensive response to the Commission's discovery request, including copies of all of its newsletters for 1985 and 1986. A summer intern was detailed to review and analyze the response. It was later reassigned to a new staff member. At that time, it was discovered that the

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response included a request for pre-probable cause conciliation. This Office is completing its analysis of the issues raised by the alternative findings. We expect to make a full report to the Commission soon. In the meantime, we recommend that the Commission decline to enter into pre-probable cause conciliation at this time and notify respondents.

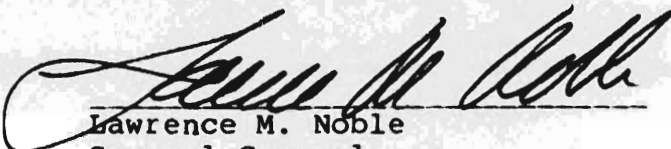
The attached letter includes an apology for failure to respond earlier to the request.

II. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Decline at this time to enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe with San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
2. Approve the attached letter.

Date

10/29/87


Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

Attachments

1. Request for conciliation
2. Letter

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

MEMORANDUM TO: LAWRENCE M. NOBLE
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM: MARJORIE W. EMMONS/SUSAN GREENLEE S.G.

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 1987

SUBJECT: OBJECTION TO MUR 2230- General Counsel's Report
signed October 29, 1987

The above-captioned document was circulated to the
Commission on Thursday, October 29, 1987 at 4:00 P.M.

Objections have been received from the Commissioners
as indicated by the name(s) checked:

Commissioner Aikens	<u>X</u>
Commissioner Elliott	<u></u>
Commissioner Josefiak	<u>X</u>
Commissioner McDonald	<u></u>
Commissioner McGarry	<u></u>
Commissioner Thomas	<u></u>

This matter will be placed on the Executive Session
agenda for November 10, 1987.

Please notify us who will represent your Division
before the Commission on this matter.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates; Marilee Frame,)
Chairman)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session of November 10, 1987, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 5-1 to take the following actions in MUR 2230:

1. Decline at this time to enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe with San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
2. Approve the letter attached to the General Counsel's report dated October 29, 1987.

Commissioners Elliott, Josefiak, McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision; Commissioner Aikens dissented.

Attest:

11-10-87
Date

Marjorie W. Emmons
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Secretary of the Commission

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

13 November 1987

J. Miles Reid, Esquire
McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard,
Wayte & Carrath
P.O. Box 24013
Fresno, CA 93779-4013

RE: MUR 2230
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The Commission has considered your request and determined, because of the need to complete the investigation, to decline at this time to enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. At such time when the investigation in this matter has been completed, the Commission will reconsider your request to enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.

If you have any questions please contact Judybeth Greene, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-5690.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

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December 2, 1987

Mr. Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel
Federal Elections Commission
999 E. St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates
MUR 2230

Dear Mr. Nobel:

I received your reply to my May 6, 1987 request for preprobable cause conciliation on November 20, 1987. The "administrative inadvertence" which prevented an earlier, more timely reply, has indeed caused us great inconvenience. I am sure you are aware that when the FEC notifies a respondent that a complaint has been received, or requests documents or information from a respondent, the respondent has only 15 days in which to respond. SJVRA has responded to each request within the required period, and the FEC has twice taken 6 months to respond.

More important than the one-sidedness of the time deadlines imposed and observed by the FEC is the important constitutional issues which this on going investigation raises. This investigation has been open for more than a year. While the FEC believes more time is necessary to complete an investigation, all of the facts respecting our organization's activities have been provided to the FEC. The only remaining issue is the propriety of FEC jurisdiction over these activities.

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Throughout this period the FEC's open investigation continues to have a chilling effect on the activities of SJVRA. Furthermore, at no time has the FEC stated with any particularity the acts or activities which give rise to the FEC jurisdiction or the violations of the FECA.

Though not formally labeled as such, I believe that item 3 set forth in my letter of May 6, 1987, should be treated as a request for an advisory opinion under 2 U.S.C. Section 437f. Since no response has been provided, I will repeat the request, which you should consider to be a request for an advisory opinion.

Please provide guidance as to the proper classification of SJVRA's activities, the provisions of the FECA which require the reporting of those activities, and a means by which a value may be assigned to the various activities of SJVRA for purposes of reporting them as contributions or independent expenditures benefiting identifiable candidates for federal office. The FEC is required to respond to such a written request within 60 days after receipt of such request.

Let me take this opportunity to supplement the legal analysis set forth in my letter of October 14th, 1986 regarding the applicability of the FECA to the activities of SJVRA.

As identified in my October 14th letter, and as detailed in the Response to Questions and Request for Documents provided on May 6, 1987, there are three activities in which SJVRA has engaged. These include maintaining a political library composed of books, governmental records and newspaper clippings, sponsoring luncheons and political workshops, and providing a regularly published newsletter. As we previously reported, no candidate for federal office has yet taken advantage of our library or spoken at our luncheons. Therefore, even if those activities could theoretically or constitutionally be subject to the provisions of the FECA, there is no basis for treating them as contributions or independent expenditures benefiting any identifiable candidate for federal office.

In addition, persons using the library or attending the luncheons or workshops all pay the fair market value for those benefits. Therefore, even if a candidate for federal office had used the library or spoken at an SJVRA function, no contribution or expenditure, independent or otherwise, would be involved.

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Since none of the above activities constitute contributions to or expenditures benefiting any identifiable candidate for federal office, the donations which fund the overhead of an entity engaging in those activities can not be construed as "contributions" as that term is defined under the FECA. This is true even if the subjective intent of a donor is to affect the outcome of any identifiable campaign for federal office. For, both the courts and the FEC recognize that the only constitutionally permissible inquiry in determining the existence of a "contribution" is an objective test based upon the nature of the funded event. Orloski v. FEC, 795 F.2d 156, 162 (D.C. Cir. 1986); FEC v. California Medical Association, 502 F.Supp. 196, 203 (N.D. Cal. 1980). Thus, the funding of an event or an organization which does not influence the outcome of any identifiable election for federal office through the use of campaign contributions or expenditures does not entail the giving or receipt of contributions.

Before analyzing the issues surrounding the SJVRA newsletter the matter concerning the FEC's jurisdiction to investigate the SJVRA's publishing activities and its jurisdiction to request the names of SJVRA members, corporate or otherwise, must first be addressed. In order to preserve to the people at least the core of the freedoms upon which the FECA trespasses, the courts have required a two tiered analysis when FEC investigations relate to novel exercises of jurisdiction, membership lists, or press functions. Readers Digest Association, Inc. v. FEC, 509 F.Supp. 1210, 1214; FEC v. Phillips Publishing, Inc., 517 F.Supp. 1308, 1313; FEC v. Machinists Non-Partisan Political League, 655 F.2d 380, 396. SJVRA recognizes that the FEC is permitted a limited inquiry in order to determine whether the basis for FEC jurisdiction in the alleged violation exists. Therefore, though we have raised and preserved our objection to FEC's jurisdiction over our newsletter activities, we have provided certain information regarding the publication, distribution and content of the SJVRA newsletter sufficient to permit the FEC to conduct its limited inquiry. Until the FEC has completed the court mandated process and made a determination of probable cause to believe that SJVRA is a political committee or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the FEC, SJVRA will not divulge additional information regarding its publishing activities or any membership lists.

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In addition to this court mandated two step process for asserting jurisdiction over press functions, the FECA itself protects first amendment privileges by exempting the costs of a periodical from the definition of expenditure unless the periodical is owned or controlled by a political party, political candidate, or committee. (2 U.S.C. Section 431(9)(B)(i)) Since SJVRA's newsletter is a legitimate periodical publication and not a disguised campaign flyer, the press exemption is applicable and any determination of status of a political committee must be made independent of its operations as a publisher of a periodical. This is true even if any particular edition of the periodical contains "express advocacy". C.f. FEC v. Mass. Citizens for Life, 107 S. Ct. 616, 624 (1986). The information provided to the FEC regarding the circulation and publication of SJVRA's newsletter demonstrates that it has in no way been involved in the publication or distribution of any "Special Editions" to a wide range of the general public in the attempt to influence the election of any particular candidate for political office.

Furthermore, even if the press exemption were inapplicable, and even if any newsletters contained "express advocacy" the value of which exceeded \$1,000, it would be unconstitutional to apply the extensive regulations and reporting requirements applicable to a political committee to a nonprofit corporation such as SJVRA. FEC v. MCFL, supra, 107 S.Ct. at 630-631.

The holding of FEC v. MCFL is important to this matter in another respect. The unidentified "certain expenditures" which SJVRA is accused of making are stated as "in the alternative" constituting a violation of 2 U.S.C. Section 441b merely because of SJVRA's status as a nonprofit corporation. The United States Supreme Court expressly held that a nonprofit corporation "formed for the express purpose of promoting political ideas" and not engaged in business activities, which "has no shareholders or other persons affiliated so as to have a claim on its assets or earnings", and which "is not established by a business corporation or a labor union" or used as a conduit by such entities for the purpose "of direct spending that creates a threat to the political marketplace", "may not be constitutionally bound by Section 441b's restriction on independent spending." FEC v. MCFL, supra, 107 S.Ct. at 631. All of these factors apply in this case.

The FECA also expressly exempts from the definition of expenditure any communication by a membership organization to its members if such organization is not organized primarily for the purpose of influencing the election of any individual to federal office. 2 U.S.C. Section 431(9)(B)(iii); 11 C.F.R. 100.8(b)(2). The United States Supreme Court has stated that in determining which organizations are membership organizations "Congress intended at least some reference to the laws of the various States dealing with nonprofit corporations". FEC v. National Right to Work Committee, 103 S.Ct. 552, 558 (1982).

Though under California Corporate Law SJVRA is technically a nonmembership organization, this means only that it does not provide nonBoard members the rights specified in California Corporations Code Section 5056, to vote for directors or on a disposition of SJVRA's assets. Nevertheless, California Corporate Law expressly permits persons to be considered members even though they do not meet the requirements of Section 5056, so long as the persons are associated with the organization. California Corporations Code Section 5332(a). The Response to Questions and Request for Documents previously provided demonstrates that individuals considered members of SJVRA have many benefits and have associated themselves with the organization sufficiently to satisfy the requirements of California law and thereby the FECA.

The Supreme Court has also noted that "members" must have either a "financial or organizational attachment" to the corporation. FEC v. National Right to Work Committee, *supra*, 103 S.Ct. at 557; FEC v. MCFL, *supra*, 107 S.Ct. at 631 note 13. The "organizational" attachment required under the Supreme Court's pronouncements is akin to the "associational" attachment required under California Corporate Law, and both are met by the regular membership meetings in the form of luncheons, the regular organizational news updates provided to members by the SJVRA newsletter, and the opportunities of the members to be involved in SJVRA functions. Indeed, the only reason more forums for individual involvement with SJVRA have not developed is because of the chilling effect which this prolonged FEC investigation has had on SJVRA's activities.

The FEC's regulation at 11 C.F.R. Section 114.1(e) is not applicable in this case both because of the membership rights which are provided to SJVRA members, and because SJVRA

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has not established and does not maintain a separate segregated fund. The reason no such separate segregated fund has been established is that no contributions or expenditures are received or made by SJVRA. In addition, even if SJVRA made independent expenditures it would be unconstitutional for those expenditures to require the establishment of a separate segregated fund. FEC v. MCFL, supra, 107 S.Ct. at 630.

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The FEC has inexplicably charged that the solicitation for contributions contained in the SJVRA newsletter is a violation of 2 U.S.C. Section 441d(a) and 11 C.F.R. 110.11(a)(1)(iv)(A). Unless the FEC is seeking jurisdiction over the fundraising activities of all organizations, the above quoted statute and regulation must be read in conjunction with the technical definition of "contribution" under the Act. For the reasons stated above, SJVRA does not accept "contributions" as that term is defined under the FECA. Furthermore, even if the solicitation were a solicitation for a "contribution", the requirements of the Act are only that a disclaimer appear in a clear and conspicuous manner, somewhere within the communication, which identifies the person who paid for the solicitation. The solicitation for memberships and donations to SJVRA is contained in a newsletter published by SJVRA, which fact is clearly and conspicuously stated on the masthead of the publication. The SJVRA newsletter contains no advertising of any kind. Nor is there any separate "expenditure" for the purpose of financing the solicitation. In sum, there can be no confusion as to the identity of the person who is paying for the solicitation. SJVRA's identity as publisher of the newsletter containing a solicitation for memberships and donations to SJVRA violates no provisions of the FECA.

It remains our earnest hope and desire conclude this FEC investigation without court action. As the financial records previously provided to you demonstrate, we simply do not possess the financial resources to engage in the test case which the FEC may desire. We genuinely desire to settle this matter via pre-probable cause conciliation and request your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


J. Miles Reid

cc: Judybeth Greene

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 2230
San Joaquin Valley Republican)
Associates)

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. BACKGROUND

The California Democratic Party filed a complaint against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and individuals acting on its behalf.

On February 18, 1987, the Commission found reason to believe that Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by making expenditures, as a corporation, in connection with Federal elections. The Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there was reason to believe that Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f) and 441b(a), the latter in connection with its receipt of corporate contributions. It appeared that Republican Associates failed to register and report as a political committee in violation of 2 U.S.C. §§ 433-434, failed to state on its newsletter solicitation that the solicitation was paid for by Republican Associates in violation of 441d(a), accepted corporate contributions in violation of 441b(a), and accepted excessive contributions in violation of 441a(f). In its response on May 6, 1987, Republican Associates requested pre-probable cause conciliation in this matter. The Commission denied this request on November 10, 1987, pending completion of the legal and factual analysis of this matter. On December 7, 1987, this Office

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received a reply to this denial in which counsel reiterated his factual and legal arguments. See Attachment 5.

II. ISSUE DEVELOPMENT

San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates ("Republican Associates") was incorporated in May 1985 as a California non-profit, non-member, mutual benefit corporation. Its "specific purpose" is to "help elect more Republicans to office." Although its Articles of Incorporation prohibit it from "endorsing or opposing any candidate for any office" and from "making any cash financial contribution to any candidate or any candidate's committee for any office," it does engage in several activities designed to influence the election of Republicans to federal and state offices.

Given the alternative findings of the Commission, the legal analysis of these activities is divided into two separate sections: 1) Republican Associates - A Corporation; and 2) Republican Associates - A Political Committee.

A. Republican Associates - A Corporation

The Act prohibits corporations from making any contributions or expenditures in connection with a federal election from its general treasury funds. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). For purposes of that section, contributions and expenditures are defined broadly to include any direct or indirect payment or gift of anything of value to any candidate, campaign committee, political party or organization, in connection with any federal election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). The Act does allow corporations to establish separate

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segregated funds pursuant to section 441b(b)(2)(C) to be used for purposes of influencing federal elections, however, Republican Associates has not done so.^{1/}

Republican Associates is incorporated under California's Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation law. The fact that Republican Associates is a non-profit corporation does not exempt it from the corporate expenditure restrictions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). See Federal Election Commission v. National Right to Work Committee, 459 U.S. 1987 (1982); Federal Election Commission v. Massachusetts Citizens for Life, 479 U.S. ___, 107 S. Ct. 616 (1986). Moreover, Republican Associates has not registered as a political committee with either the State of California or the Commission, and does not hold itself out to the public as a "political committee" or claim to be a "political committee" which has incorporated solely for liability purposes.

In order to accomplish its stated purpose -- "to help elect more Republicans to office" -- Republican Associates takes part in many campaign-related activities which may be "of value" to Republicans seeking office.

^{1/} Separate segregated funds established under this section are included within the Act's definition of political committees, 2 U.S.C. § 431(4)(B), and are therefore subject to the Act's reporting requirements regardless of whether they make over \$1,000 in expenditures to influence federal elections.

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1. Political Library and Clipping Service

Republican Associates maintains a political library which features information related to campaigning for public office. Although it does not perform research services for individuals, it collects and catalogs newspaper clippings and other election-related books and articles. The library's resources are provided free of charge and are only available to registered members of the Republican Party.

We note, however, that there is no evidence that any candidate for federal office has used these services. In its initial response on October 14, 1986, Republican Associates stated that although its policy was to make its library facilities "available to federal and state candidates on the same basis as it is made available to all registered Republicans," no candidate for federal office had used them. (Attachment 2, page 2). In its most recent correspondence dated December 2, 1987, Republican Associates again stated that no candidate for federal office has used its library facilities or clipping services. See Attachment 5, page 2.

Thus, on the basis of present information, Republican Associates' expenditures for its political library and clipping service do not violate section 441b(a). If, however, these facilities are used in connection with federal elections, then a

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portion of Republican Associates' expenditures in connection with its political library and clipping service may constitute an expenditure in violation of section 441b(a).^{2/}

If these facilities and services are used in connection with a federal election, then these services may qualify as "expenditures" because they could be considered to be "of value" to the extent that they are provided at a charge "less than the usual and normal charge for such goods and services."

11 C.F.R. § 100.8(a)(1)(iv)(A). Republican Associates argues that these services are comparable to those provided by a free public library and that its provision of such services without charge is therefore not less than the "usual and normal charge" for such goods and services.

Republican Associates' argument breaks down on two levels. First, the description of its library services appears to include a specialized clipping service. Clipping services geared toward political campaigns are often done by the campaign itself or an independent contractor and are not normally available through general public libraries. Thus, Republican Associates' comparison of its services to those provided at free public libraries may be misleading.

^{2/} As local politicians are the principal users of the political library, the entire cost of the library would not be allocable to federal campaign activities; rather, an allocation of expenses would have to take the other users into account. See 11 C.F.R. § 106.1.

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Second, the fact that these services are only available to registered members of a political party highlights the difficulty with using the "normal and usual charge" concept in this context. The original purpose of the normal and usual charge measure was to prevent a corporation from furnishing goods and/or services at one price in the course of its normal business and at a lower price in connection with a campaign for federal office. Thus, the Commission has looked both to the market rate, see 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(a)(1)(iv)(B), and to the prices that the corporation charges its various customers.

Republican Associates, however, provides services only to registered members of the Republican party for the stated purpose of helping elect more Republicans to office. One of Republican Associates' primary goals is to save Republican candidates money in their bids for public office by providing services for which a campaign would otherwise have to spend time and money. This is illustrated by the following paragraph from Republican Associates' solicitation letter:

R/A will mitigate the 're-inventing of the wheel' that many Republican candidates and prospective candidates go through every election year. R/A eliminates many other problems by maintaining election results by county, social and economic information by county and an abundance of information concerning campaigns. R/A informational service will help Republican candidates stretch their campaign dollars!

Exhibit M of the Response (emphasis added). Given this

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peculiarly political purpose, Republican Associates essentially has no internal "usual and normal" charge as a standard for purposes of measuring its contributions. Since there is no appropriate internal "usual and normal" charge measure, and these services are provided free so that Republican candidates will not have to pay for them elsewhere, they could be expenditures within the meaning of the Act.

Again, as there is no evidence that these facilities and services have been used by candidates for federal office or in connection with federal elections, these expenditures do not violate section 441b(a) as yet.

2. Political Training Workshops and Courses

Republican Associates sponsored at least one political training workshop for individuals who desired to become involved in campaign politics. However, there was no evidence at the time of the First General Counsel's Report that this workshop was held in connection with a federal election such that any treasury funds spent providing the program would constitute an expenditure within the meaning of the Act.

Had the workshop been held in connection with a federal election, it might have constituted an "expenditure" within the meaning of the Act. Although Republican Associates has indicated

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that the cost of its only workshop was covered by those who attended,^{3/} it is the market rate which is the appropriate measure. 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(a)(1)(iv)(B). Thus, a statement by Republican Associates that it covered its costs on an event could not conclusively settle the question of whether the corporation gave something of value to a federal candidate or political committee.

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The second issue of "Republican" Spoken Here provided more information about Republican Associates' campaign workshop. According to the article, a Campaign Support School for central California Republicans was held on October 12, 1985. See Attachment 2, page 64. The program and arrangements were "coordinated by Mrs. Jean Schwafel, Executive Director of Republican Associates and financial support was provided by the California Republican Party, CRP South Central Caucus, California Federation of Republican Women, Congressman Chip Pashayan, State Senator Ken Maddy and Assemblyman Bill Jones." It did not indicate whether a fee was charged to attendees, or whether federal campaign staffers were in attendance.

^{3/} In its May 6, 1987, response to interrogatories, Republican Associates declared that it had received "net revenues" of \$447.80 on account of "workshops." See Attachment 1. There is no record of its expenditures for the workshop(s), as that question was not asked.

The use of the term "net" may mean that Republican Associates made a profit on the workshop(s). This would be compatible with its October 14, 1986 communication which indicated that "attendees at the workshops and luncheons are charged an amount to cover the direct cost of those events plus a small return to Republican Associates." October 14, 1986 Response p.3 (emphasis added). See Attachment 2.

The seminar featured programs relating to the "nuts and bolts" of political campaigning and opened with a short film detailing an incident where a Republican candidate was twice certified by his home state as the election winner but was refused his seat in the House of Representatives. The film portrayed this candidate as "arbitrarily replaced with a Democrat by Tip O'Neil, Tony Coelho, Rick Lehman and the Democratic House Leadership."

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The newsletter identified Mike Antonovich, the then current Chairman of the California Republican Party who was engaged at the time in testing the waters for a campaign for the U.S. Senate,^{4/} as the luncheon speaker for the Campaign Support School. The newsletter contained no further information about Antonovich's speech. If this luncheon was used as a forum for Mike Antonovich to make a campaign-related speech or to solicit contributions for his campaign or was otherwise related to his campaign, Republican Associates' expenditures in connection with the luncheon portion of the Campaign Support School would constitute a prohibited in-kind corporate contribution to Antonovich's campaign. However, as the information presently

^{4/} The Antonovich for Senate Exploratory Committee filed a Statement of Organization with the Commission on October 15, 1985, three days after the luncheon. This exploratory committee did not report receiving any contributions at the time it filed its Statement of Organization, however, the Antonovich for Senate Committee indicated in its 1985 Year End Report that contributions were received in August, September and October, 1985 - before the luncheon.

available does not indicate that this is the case, this Office is not including these expenditures in its recommendation regarding Section 441b(a) violations by Republican Associates.

3. Luncheons

Republican Associates held five quarterly luncheons as of May 6, 1987. Republican Associates reported that as of that date no candidate for federal office had been a luncheon speaker and that only one speaker had addressed his comments to a federal election. The speaker at the November 20, 1986, luncheon was a political reporter who "discussed his impressions of the campaign for U.S. Senator for California and the future political careers of Alan Cranston and Ed Zschau." Republican Associates spent \$431.44 on the luncheon and received \$343.00 in gross revenues from the luncheon. The low turnout for this luncheon (33 as compared with prior attendance of 46, 76, 46, and 42) may account for the fact that this was the only luncheon to show a loss. See Attachment 1.

This cost would constitute an "expenditure" only if it can be shown that the luncheon was held in connection with an election for federal office. 11 C.F.R. § 114.1(a). The date of the luncheon, however, indicates otherwise as the discussion appears to have been a postmortem of the November 1986 race between Zschau and Cranston. Thus, any costs incurred in holding the luncheon would not be expenditures because they do not appear to be connected with a federal election.

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With the exception of the November 20, 1986, luncheon speaker, Republican Associates refused to identify its luncheon speakers and the content of their speeches. A review of its newsletters, however, reveals that its first quarterly luncheon was held on November 21, 1985 and featured Superior Court Judge Blaine Pettit who gave a "brief overview of the changes which have occurred in the Republican Party at both the local and national level from the 1950's through the 1980's" and Assemblyman Bill Jones who gave an "update on the state situation while urging continued support of our President and Governor." "Republican" Spoken Here, Vol. 1. No. 3, 3. Although all Republican candidates who were running for Cranston's Senate seat were invited to participate in the second quarterly luncheon, id., it appears that none did so, as the featured speakers at that February 20, 1986, luncheon were the three Republican candidates running to replace the retiring Fresno County Sheriff. "Republican" Spoken Here, Vol. 2 No. 2, 1. Given this information, it is unlikely that the second quarterly luncheon related to federal elections at all. Mike Curb, the 1980 National Vice-Chair of the Reagan for President Committee and the Chair of the Republican National Finance Committee during President Reagan's re-election campaign and former-Lieutenant Governor, was the featured luncheon speaker at the third quarterly luncheon on May 21, 1986, as one of two Republican

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contenders for Lieutenant Governor. "Republican" Spoken Here, Vol. 2, No. 3, 1. The following issue did not review the discussion which took place at the third luncheon, but contained an invitation to the fourth quarterly luncheon featuring Bruce Gleason for Attorney General as the luncheon speaker.

"Republican" Spoken Here, Vol. 2, No. 4, 3.

In sum, the costs associated with sponsoring these quarterly lucheons do not appear to be impermissible corporate contributions under Section 441b(a) because they seem to be in connection with state and local elections rather than federal elections.

4. Newsletter - "Republican" Spoken Here

Republican Associates' publication and distribution of a newsletter entitled "Republican" Spoken Here is the focal point of its efforts to promote the election of more Republicans to all levels of public office, including federal office. Although Republican Associates' Articles of Incorporation state that the corporation is "prohibited from endorsing or opposing any candidate for any office,"^{5/} its newsletters serve to promote and to support Republican candidates and to oppose Democratic

^{5/} Apparently this limitation was designed to prevent intra-party factionalism, for, as Republican Associates explained in its first newsletter:

Let us then work for the primary candidate of our choice, but after the primary, let us also unite in common purpose to elect one more Republican Senator from the State of California.

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candidates for those offices. Thus, "Republican" Spoken Here expressly advocated against the re-election of Democratic Senator Alan Cranston in several issues, Vol. 1. Nos. 1, 3 & 4; Vol. 2 Nos. 2, 4 & 5, and implicitly solicited funds for his opponent Ed Zschau's campaign:

The ultimate outcome of the U.S. Senate race, however, will hinge. . . on whether the Zschau campaign has the financial capability to make the public aware of these facts. Without the money needed for TV and direct mail in order to publicize Cranston's record, the facts will never become known and California voters may once again return to office a Senator who does not really represent the bedrock views of the electorate.

Vol. 2, No. 5, p.7. Republican Associates also became involved in 1986 Congressional races, advocating the re-election of Representative Chip Pashayan, Vol. 1, No. 3; Volume 2, No. 4, asking for volunteers to help Dave Crevelt in a Congressional race against Representative Rick Lehman, Vol. 2, No. 5, and criticizing Representative Tony Coelho's record, Vol. 1 Nos. 2 and 4. See also Attachment 3.

The foregoing examples demonstrate that a portion of the treasury funds expended by Republican Associates in publishing and distributing "Republican" Spoken Here are allocable as expenditures made for purposes of influencing federal elections. According to an examination of these newsletters, the overall annual expenditures allocable to federal elections are

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approximately \$732.42 in 1985 and \$749.82 in 1986.^{6/} As these expenditures were made from Republican Associates' general treasury funds, they constitute prohibited corporate expenditures. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).

a. The Media Exemption

Republican Associates contends, however, that its newsletter falls within the media exemption.^{7/} Treating Republican Associates as a corporation, the question is whether the publication and distribution of "Republican" Spoken Here, falls within the exemption for news, editorials and commentary in a "periodical publication."^{8/}

^{6/} An explanation of this calculation is detailed in Section B(4). Note that if the two pages devoted to publicizing candidates' voting records and their ratings by various organizations were not included in the federal election-related costs, the totals would not change for 1986, but the 1985 expenditures would drop to \$513.21. See 11 C.F.R. § 114.4(b)(4) regarding corporate distribution of voting records. See also Attachment 4.

^{7/} The media exemption in 2 U.S.C. § 431(9)(B)(i) states that the term "expenditure" does not include "any news story, commentary, or editorial distributed through the facilities of any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine or other periodical publication, unless such facilities are owned or controlled by any political party, political committee, or candidate."

^{8/} The issue of whether a political newsletter, published on a regular basis by a non-profit corporation is a periodical publication and falls within the media exemption was not answered in MCFL, 479 U.S. ___, 107 S. Ct. 616 (1986). In MCFL, the Court examined the special election edition of a right-to-life group's newsletter and found it to be outside the media exemption. In contrast, all of Republican Associates' newsletters relate to political campaigns.

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The Commission has taken the position that the media exemption is essentially available only to the "institutional" press,^{9/} for which it appears that Republican Associates' newsletter would not qualify.

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The distinction between newspapers and periodicals devoted solely to the dissemination of news and newspapers and periodicals which are financed by corporate treasury funds to support or defeat certain candidates and which are distributed free of charge to the general public has been recognized by the Supreme Court, see United States v. C.I.O., 335 U.S. 106, 122 (1948) and is supported by the legislative history of the provision. The House Report accompanying the introduction of the media exemption as one of the many amendments to the Federal Election Campaign Act in 1974, indicated that rather than breaking new ground, the amendments were only intended to "reaffirm the principles stated in the amendment to section 610 ... proposed by Representative Orval Hansen, and passed by the Congress as part of the Act." H.R. Rep. No. 1239, 93rd Cong., 2d Sess. 4 (1974), reprinted in FEC, Legislative History of the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1974, at 638 (1977) (hereafter "1974 Leg. Hist."). The particular purpose of the

^{9/} See Advisory Opinion 1980-109 where the Commission used the restrictive definition of "periodical publication" designed initially for Section 114.4(e) in the context of a press exemption issue. See also Commission's brief for the Supreme Court in MCFL at 22 n. 15. The legal analysis in this section corresponds with the analysis employed in that footnote. But see, MUR 2289 and MUR 2277.

media exemption was to "assure ... the unfettered right of the newspapers, TV networks, and other media to cover and comment on political campaigns." 1974 Leg. Hist. at 638. Representative Frenzel, in his separate views attached to the House Report, agreed that this amendment was "non-controversial" and basically in "conformity with the law already." 1974 Leg. Hist. at 778.

The existing law on the applicability of 18 U.S.C. § 610 to media expenditures originated in Senator Taft's explanation during the Senate debates on the 1947 amendments. Senator Taft clearly drew the line between permitted press activities and prohibited corporate and union expenditures. He specifically stated that corporations that are not in the business of operating newspapers could not use their treasury funds to publish and distribute, free of charge, a pamphlet or newspaper supporting or opposing a candidate for federal office.^{10/}

^{10/} MR PEPPER: Does the Senator from Ohio mean to tell the Senate that a corporation owning a newspaper cannot have a free editorial policy to oppose candidates and to oppose political parties according to its own judgments?

MR. TAFT: Not if it used its corporate funds for that purpose, instead of running a newspaper as a business. If it did it would be prosecuted immediately under the federal law.

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MR TAFT: I would say the word "expenditure" does not mean the sale of newspaper for money for their worth. If they are sold to subscribers and if the paper is supported by subscriptions then I would not say that constituted such an expenditure. But if the newspapers were given away - even an ordinary newspaper - I think that would violate the Corrupt Practices Act. That act would be violated ...if such a newspaper were given away as a political document in favor of a certain candidate. I think that would have to have been so under the present law, and I think we make it more clearly so, perhaps, by this measure.
93 Cong. Rec. 6436-37 (1947).

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While the Commission has not adopted regulations specifically defining the terms used in the media exemption, it has adopted regulations implementing former Section 431(f)(4)(A), which allows broadcasters, bona fide newspapers and other periodical publications to stage debates. In its Explanation and Justification of 11 C.F.R. § 110.14(e), the Commission stated that:

Only newspapers which ordinarily derive their revenues from subscriptions or advertising would be considered "bona fide." A "bona fide" magazine or other periodical publication is a publication in bound pamphlet form appearing at regular intervals (usually either weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or quarterly) and containing articles of news, information, opinion and entertainment, whether of general or specialized interest. Only magazines and periodicals which ordinarily derive their revenues from subscriptions and advertising would be considered "bona fide."

44 Fed. Reg. 76,735 (1979). Although these definitional statements were made in the context of establishing fora for candidate debates, the Commission has specifically stated that these definitions apply in cases involving "expenditures" and "contributions." See Advisory Opinion 1980-109. When read in conjunction with section 441b, these regulations prohibit corporations which are not part of the institutionalized press from producing and distributing newsletters to influence federal elections with corporate treasury funds. See also Buckley v. Valeo, 424 U.S. at 51 n.56 (1976) ("the Act exempts most elements of the institutional press").

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Republican Associates is not part of the "institutional" press and its publication of "Republican" Spoken Here does not fall within the Commission's definition of the term "periodical publication" as used in 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(2). In addition to the fact that "Republican" Spoken Here may not appear on a precisely "regular" basis,^{11/} the newsletter falls outside the press exemption because its revenues are derived from sources other than subscriptions and advertisements. While the newsletter publishes a calender of Republican events, it does not charge for the notices. Moreover, it does not accept any other form of advertisement. And while Republican Associates has received \$48,110.00 in membership fees (which include free Republican Associates newsletters), it has indicated that fifty to seventy-five percent of its newsletters are sent to non-subscribers and non-members.^{12/} The number of free newsletters

^{11/} The newsletters were published on the following basis:

Vol 1. No. 1 Sept 1985	Vol 2. No. 4 July/Aug 1986
Vol 1. No. 2 Oct 1985	Vol 2. No. 5 Sep/Oct 1986
Vol 1. No. 3 Nov 1985	Vol 3. No. 1 April/May 1987
Vol 1. No. 4 Dec 1985	
Vol 2. No. 1 Jan 1986	
Vol 2. No. 2 Feb 1986	
Vol 2. No. 3 March/Apr. 1986	

^{12/} In 1985, newsletters were sent to three times as many non-members and non-subscribers as those sent to members and subscribers (515 newsletters distributed to members and subscribers; 1,582 to others). In 1986, newsletters were sent to an approximately even number of members and subscribers and others (1072 to members and subscribers, 1046 to others). But in 1987, twice as many newsletters were sent to non-member non-subscribers as were sent to members and subscribers; 232 issues of Vol. 3 No. 1 were distributed to members and subscribers and 483 were distributed to others. See Attachment 2(13).

distributed to non-subscribers and non-members indicates that the newsletter does not primarily derive its funding from subscriptions. Therefore, this publication falls outside the media exemption.

b. Exempted Communications

Republican Associates also argues that its newsletter comes within the 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(4) exemption for costs incurred by an organization in communicating with its members. See also 2 U.S.C. § 441b(b)(2)(A) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.3(a). This argument holds little weight for three reasons. First, as Republican Associates is a non-capital stock, mutual benefit corporation, 11 C.F.R. § 114.3(a)(2) governs its ability to send partisan communications. Specifically, Section 114.3(a)(2) allows a corporation without capital stock to communicate with its "members and executive or administrative personnel and their families." Article IV of Republican Associates' Articles of Incorporation, however, specifically state that the corporation "...shall have no members." See Attachment 3 page 7. Thus, Republican Associates cannot claim an exemption for communicating with individuals upon whom it could not have conferred membership rights. Second, even assuming that Republican Associates' charter allowed the corporation to have members, the individual "supporters" whom Republican Associates represents to be "members" do not qualify as "members" within the meaning of this section. The Commission has defined "members" for purposes of

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the corporate contribution provisions of the Act, to mean "all persons who are currently satisfying the requirements for membership in a membership organization ... or corporation without capital stock..." 11 C.F.R. § 114.1(e). Moreover, the Supreme Court has interpreted this definition to require "some relatively enduring and independently significant financial and organizational attachment to be a "member" under 441b(b)(4)(c)." FEC v. National Right to Work Committee, 459 U.S. 197, 204 (1982).

The contributors which Republican Associates labels "members" do not fit the Act's definition as they lack voting power, and although they may attend all general membership and board of directors meetings, only trustees serve on the board, elect other trustees and manage the corporation's financial affairs. Therefore, most of the individuals receiving the newsletters do not qualify as "members" within the meaning of the Act. See e.g. Advisory Opinions 1984-33 and 1984-22.

Third, fifty to seventy-five percent of Republican Associates' newsletters are distributed to individuals with no overt affiliation with the corporation, i.e. non-members and non-subscribers. See footnote 10, supra. Thus, by its own admission, Republican Associates distributes its publication well beyond its self-described restricted class in more than de minimis amounts. As such, Republican Associates' publication and distribution of "Republican" Spoken Here does not qualify as an exempted communication. See 2 U.S.C. § 441b(b)(2)(A) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.3(a)(2).

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c. Prohibited Contributions

"Republican" Spoken Here advertises Republican events including fundraisers for Republican candidates as a feature of every issue in its "Calender of Events" column. In fact, the fourth issue of **"Republican" Spoken Here** highlighted the fact that it gave "Free Publicity" to any Republican organization, office holder or candidate in the San Joaquin Valley in its Calender of Events. Several fundraising events to benefit Ed Zschau, the Republican nominee for the California Senate seat in 1986, were advertised. These included \$35/plate and \$250/plate dinners, Vol. 2 No. 2; \$100/plate breakfasts and luncheons and \$1,000/person admission to a private reception; Vol. 2 No. 4. It also advertised a November 2, 1986, dinner for Representative Bill Thomas and an October 29, 1986, cocktail party for Representative Chip Pashayan. Vol. 1, No. 5. 13/ A

13/ Listed below are some examples of the fundraisers advertised in the Calender of Events section:

Ed Zschau for Senate Reception on March 21 at The Downtown Club, 2120 Kern, Fresno, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 per person. For reservations call 268-7068.

Dinner with Ed Zschau on March 21 at the San Joaquin Country Club, Fresno, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$250.00 per person. For reservations call 268-7068.

Ed Zschau for U.S. Senate - breakfast, lunch and CSUF rally scheduled for Monday, May 19. Contact Lorna Sloan, 268-7068 for further details.

Crevelt for Congress - Sunday, August 3, 1986. Fund-raiser at the Holiday Inn, Center Plaza. Featuring Congressman Bill Thomas. \$75.00 per person for a special pre-dinner reception with the Congressman. For reservations or information, call 268-5733 or 431-2660.

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review of the costs of publication and distribution of the newsletter indicates that a total of approximately \$26.84 was spent in 1986 to advertise these events. See Attachment 3.

The Commission has determined that informing persons of a fundraising activity may be considered a solicitation. See Advisory Opinions 1982-50 and 1976-27. Thus, for purposes of Section 441b(a) such advertising appears to constitute an "in-kind" contribution to the candidate for whom the funds were being raised, or at least an expenditure on behalf of such a candidate.

5. Summary of 441b Violations - Republican Associates as a Corporation

Republican Associates, as a corporation, has engaged in many election-related activities, but many of these activities deal only with local and state elections. Republican Associates' workshops, political library and clipping service do not yet appear to have been used as a resource by federal campaigns or candidates for federal office. Similarly, none of Republican Associates' luncheons were apparently held to influence federal elections as the only luncheon which focused on a federal election appeared to have been a postmortem of the November 1986 California Senate race.

The publication and distribution of Republican Associates' newsletter "Republican" Spoken Here, which advocates the election or defeat of specific candidates for federal offices constitutes an expenditure. As Republican Associates' revenue comes from sources other than subscriptions and advertisements, the costs associated with the publication and distribution of "Republican"

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Spoken Here are outside the media exemption and, therefore, constitute prohibited expenditures to the extent they are allocable to federal elections or federal candidates. Moreover, the federal election-associated costs of the newsletter are not exempt as communications to a restricted class pursuant to 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.8(b)(4) or 114.3(a)(2). First, Republican Associates' charter states that it can have no members. Second, the individuals described by Republican Associates as "members" lack the voting power or other indicia of "relatively enduring and independent significant financial and organizational attachment" to qualify as "members" within the ambit of 11 C.F.R. § 114.3(a)(2). Third, by Republican Associates' admission, the newsletters are distributed well beyond its restricted class to a substantial number of non-members and non-subscribers.

Thus, the costs of publishing and distributing "Republican" Spoken Here which are allocable to federal elections constitute prohibited expenditures by Republican Associates. See 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). The costs associated with the advertisement of fund-raisers for candidates for federal offices constitute prohibited contributions to these campaigns by Republican Associates as the Act treats advertisements of fundraisers in these circumstances as solicitations. See 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and Advisory Opinions 1982-50 and 1976-27.

The Supreme Court's decision in MCFL does not alter this conclusion. Although Republican Associates is similar to MCFL in that it is a non-profit, non-stock corporation

whose purpose is to disseminate ideas rather than amass capital, and its contributors understand that their money will be used to promote the organization's ideals on a political level, Republican Associates does apparently accept corporate contributions and has highlighted this fact in its newsletters and solicitations. See Attachment 2, pages 53, 59, 65 and 71. In fact, one of the questions which it refused to answer was to name corporations and labor unions from which contributions or funds had been received. See Attachment 2, page 3. Significantly, it did not deny accepting such contributions. This response suggests that Republican Associates has accepted corporate funds. Thus, the Court's holding in MCFL would not preclude the application of Section 441b to Republican Associates.^{14/}

B. Republican Associates - A Political Committee

The information received in response to interrogatories indicates that Republican Associates has not become a political

^{14/} Republican Associates, in its December 2, 1987 correspondence raised the argument that it is an MCFL-type corporation and the application of Section 441b's restrictions to its activities would be unconstitutional. See Attachment 5.

The Supreme Court however, attached significance to an element present in MCFL which is not present with Republican Associates. One of the three features the Court identified as "essential to (its) .. holding" was that:

MCFL was not established by a business corporation or a labor union and it is its policy not to accept contributions from such entities. This prevents such corporations from serving as conduits for the type of direct spending that creates a threat to the political market place.

Therefore, the fact that Republican Associates apparently accepts corporate contributions places it outside the Court's holding in MCFL.

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indicates that Republican Associates has not become a political committee and therefore did not violate sections 433 and 434 by failing to register a report as a political committee.

Republican Associates would be considered a political committee if its contributions received or expenditures made exceeded \$1,000 during a calendar year. 2 U.S.C. § 431(4)(A). The reason to believe finding against Republican Associates on sections 433 and 434 followed from the assumption that it received or spent more than \$1,000 in both 1985 and 1986 to influence federal elections.

1. Political Library and Clipping Services

As previously explained, none of the costs of the library or clipping services are "expenditures" within the meaning of the Act because no candidates for federal office have yet used the facilities. Thus, none of the costs for these services are allocable toward the \$1,000 threshold in 1985 or 1986.

2. Training Workshop and Courses

Similarly, the costs of Republican Associates' political training workshop do not appear to be allocable to the \$1,000 threshold in 1985 or 1986 as this Office has no evidence that the workshop was used as a forum for any candidate for federal office. See previous discussion in Part A, (2).

3. Luncheons

As none of the quarterly luncheons in 1985 appear to have dealt with federal elections, none of the costs associated with

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them are allocable to the \$1,000 threshold in that year. There was one luncheon in 1986 which related to the California race for Senate but that luncheon was held after the election and therefore should not be counted toward \$1,000 of expenditures because it was not for the purpose of influencing the election.^{15/} See discussion in Part A, (3), supra pp. 10-12.

4. Newsletter - "Republican" Spoken Here

The portion of the newsletter costs allocable to items related to influencing federal elections do not aggregate \$1,000 in either 1985 or 1986. According to an examination of the newsletters, the overall annual costs allocable to federal elections would be approximately \$732.42 in 1985^{16/} and \$749.82 in 1986.^{17/} See Attachment 3.

Republican Associates' expenditures on newsletter items designed to influence federal elections were calculated on the following basis: The costs of production and distribution of

^{15/} The luncheon at which Antonovich spoke was within the context of the Campaign Support School.

^{16/} If the two pages devoted to publicizing candidates' voting records and their ratings by various organizations were not included in the federal election-related costs, the totals would not change for 1986, but the 1985 expenditures would drop to \$513.21. See generally 11 C.F.R. § 114.4(b)(4).

^{17/} The press exemption contained in 11 C.F.R. § 100.8(b)(2) would not apply to these expenditures if the Commission determined that Republican Associates was a political committee. First, the newsletter does not fall within the Act's definition of a "periodical publication." See previous discussion in Part A(4). Second, as more fully discussed in the First General Counsel's Report, the newsletter exclusively promotes Republicans and does not give "equal coverage" to Democratic or other candidates which is required in order to qualify for the exemption.

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each issue were spread equally over each page of each newsletter. The cost of the federal election-related advocacy was then determined by dividing the number of lines devoted to federal election related advocacy on each page by the number of lines on the page. The masthead and logo were not included in determining the number of lines per page. Featured candidate photographs were counted by the number of textual lines which would otherwise have fit within that space. The advertisements for candidate fundraisers were also included in these calculations; however, they only accounted for a few dollars. The pages devoted to publicizing candidates' voting records and their ratings by various organizations were included in the federal election-related costs. See 11 C.F.R. §114.4(b)(4). See also footnote 17, supra. The additional \$964.84 in bulk rate fees and newsletter masthead printing and design costs have been spread equally over the 10 issues of "Republican" Spoken Here. The percentage of federal election-related advocacy per issue was then multiplied by \$96.49 to appropriately allocate these overhead costs. In short, in making these allocations, this Office has included all portions of each newsletter which could arguably relate to any federal election or candidate.

5. Receipt of Corporate Contributions

The Commission found reason to believe that Republican Associates - as a political committee, violated Section 441b(a) by accepting corporate contributions based on its "Republican" Spoken Here solicitation that "Corporate Contributions are

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Welcome." As previously noted, Republican Associates did not deny accepting such contributions. Rather, it refused to answer a question requesting the identity of its corporate and labor union contributors on the grounds that such information was privileged. Such a response suggests that its treasury funds included corporate or union funds.

Because of the conclusion that Republican Associates is not a political committee, this Office recommends that the Commission take no further action on this allegation.

6. Other Possible Violations

A determination that Republican Associates is not a political committee also obviates finding a section 441a(f) violation because this section only applies to political committees and candidates. Moreover, in its response to the Commission's inquiries, Republican Associates denied that it received any contributions in excess of \$5,000 (the limit on an individual's contributions to a political committee) during a calendar year from any person or entity. See Attachment 3. As there is no evidence to the contrary and the facts indicate that Republican Associates is not a political committee, this Office recommends that the Commission take no further action on this allegation.

Because it was assumed that Republican Associates made at least \$1,000 of federal election-related expenditures per year, there was no discussion of 11 C.F.R. § 102.5(b) in the General Counsel's Report and no reason to believe

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findings or investigations were made regarding this section. Section 102.5(b) requires Republican Associates to either (i) establish a separate account to which only funds subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act shall be deposited and from which contributions, expenditures, and exempted payments shall be made keeping records of deposits to and disbursements from such account, and, upon request, making such records available for examination by the Commission, or (ii) demonstrate through reasonable accounting methods that whenever it makes a contribution, expenditure, or exempted payment, it has received sufficient funds subject to the limitations and prohibitions of the Act to make such contribution, expenditure, or payment, keeping records of the amount received or expended under this subsection and, upon request, making such records available for examination by the Commission.

The Commission may, pursuant to this regulation, request that Republican Associates demonstrate that its expenditures were covered by "clean" money (i.e. non-corporate, non-union funds). However, given the comparatively small amount of documented federal election-related expenses, (\$732.42 in newsletter expenditures in 1985 and \$749.82 in 1986), as compared to the overall budget (\$25,450 in 1985 receipts, \$12,105 in 1986 receipts), further investigation does not seem necessary for the amounts involved.

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7. Summary of Violations - Republican Associates as a Political Committee

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The investigation did not reveal an aggregate of \$1,000 in federal election-related expenditures by Republican Associates in the calendar years 1985 or 1986.^{18/} Thus, Republican Associates does not fit the definition of a "political committee." As such, there is no information in the file which could support a probable cause finding against Republican Associates for failing to register or report as a political committee (or provide a basis for a conciliation agreement on these issues). Similarly, its receipt of corporate contributions would not violate section 441b(a) because it is not a political committee. And even assuming that it accepted over \$5,000 in contributions during a calendar year from a person or entity, it could not have violated section 441a(f) because the section applies only to political committees.

C. Failure to State on Its Solicitation That The Solicitation Was Paid For by San Joaquin Valley Associates -Section 441d(a) (11 C.F.R. § 110.11(a) (1) (iv) (A)

The Commission found reason to believe that Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated Section 441d(a) by failing to state on its solicitation contained in "Republican" Spoken Here that the solicitation was paid for by

^{18/} The determination of whether an organization has become a political committee is based on a review of its activity on a per year basis. See 2 U.S.C. § 431(4). Based on the complaint in this matter, only the 1985-86 activity of Republican Associates was reviewed. This fact has been highlighted in the proposed letter to the Respondent.

Republican Associates. This finding was based on the assumption that Republican Associates was a political committee.

In view of the conclusion that Republican Associates has not qualified as a political committee under the Act, there is a question as to whether Republican Associates is required to have a disclaimer on its solicitations since less than \$1,000 of the funds it has received are arguably used for federal election purposes.^{19/} A further question arises as to whether a disclaimer is required for the notifications of candidate fundraisers contained in the Calender of Events section of the newsletters. However, as discussed previously in Part A(2)(c), the free advertisement of candidate fundraisers in a corporate publication distributed to the general public appears to constitute the sort of "in-kind" contribution or election-related expenditure prohibited by section 441b. Because the activity is altogether prohibited, this Office believes that it is more appropriate in this context to pursue this activity as a violation of section 441b, than as a violation of section 441d.

^{19/} Section 441d(a) applies to persons making solicitations for "contributions." The Act defines contributions to include any gifts of anything of value made "for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office." 2 U.S.C. § 431(8)(A). The section, therefore, would not apply to solicitation of funds where the funds raised are to be used only for non-federal election-related purposes.

Thus, organizations such as political committees would be subject to Section 441d as at least a portion of the money which they raise is used for the purposes of influencing federal elections. Although it appears that Republican Associates does not engage in enough federal election-related spending to constitute a political committee, it may be subject to Section 441d(a) under this analysis because some of its funds are expended for the purpose of influencing federal elections.

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Accordingly, this Office recommends that the Commission take no further action with respect to the Section 441d allegation.

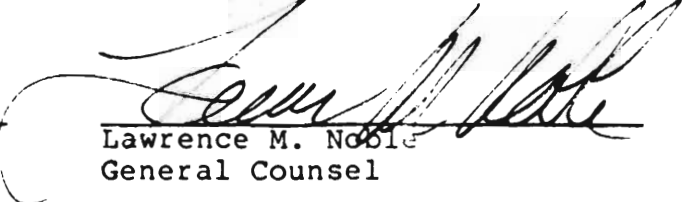
III. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED CONCILIATION AGREEMENT AND CIVIL PENALTY

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Take no further action against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, as to 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441a(f), 441d, and 2 U.S.C. § 441b with respect to receipts of corporate contributions.
2. Enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
3. Approve the proposed conciliation agreement and letter.

Date

3/17/88


Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

Attachments

1. Respondents' Request for Pre-probable Cause Conciliation
2. Respondents' Response to Interrogatories and Request for Documents
3. Respondents' Answer to Complaint
4. Cost Allocation Analysis of Newsletters
5. Respondents December 2, 1987, reply to Denial of Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation.
6. Letter to Respondents and Proposed Conciliation Agreement

Staff Person: Judybeth Greene

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

MEMORANDUM TO: LAWRENCE M. NOBLE
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM: MARJORIE W. EMMONS/JOSHUA MCFADDEN *JM*

DATE: MARCH 17, 1988

SUBJECT: COMMENTS TO MUR 2230 - General Counsel's Report
Signed March 17, 1988

Attached is a copy of Commissioner Aiken's vote
sheet with comments regarding the above-captioned matter.

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RETURN TO COMMISSION SECRETARY BY THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1988 4:00

SUBJECT: MUR 2230 - General Counsel's Report
Signed March 17, 1988

- () I approve the recommendation
(✓) I object to the recommendation

COMMENTS:

See record only.

I agree totally with report &
conviction agreement

DATE: 3-17-88

SIGNATURE Joan D. Aikens

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MEMORANDUM TO:

LAWRENCE M. NOBLE
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM:

MARJORIE W. EMMONS/JOSHUA MCFADDEN *JM*

DATE:

MARCH 17, 1988

SUBJECT:

COMMENTS TO MUR 2230 - General Counsel's Report
Signed March 17, 1988

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COMMENTS: For the record.

DATE: 3-16-88 SIGNATURE Lillian Elliott

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of

San Joaquin Valley Republican
Associates

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MUR 2230

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on March 17, 1988, the Commission decided by a vote of 4-2 to take the following actions in MUR 2230:

1. Take no further action against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, as to 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441a(f), 441d, and 2 U.S.C. § 441b with respect to receipts of corporate contributions.
2. Enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
3. Approve the proposed conciliation agreement and letter, as recommended in the General Counsel's report signed March 17, 1988.

Commissioners Josefiak, McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision;

Commissioners Aikens and Elliott dissented.

Attest:

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Date

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

Received in the Office of Commission Secretary:	Tues.,	3-15-88,	11:33
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 21, 1988

Mr. J. Miles Reid
McCormick, Barstow,
Sheppard, Wayte and
Carruth
P.O. Box 24013
Fresno, California 93779-4013

RE: MUR 2230
San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates

Dear Mr. Reid,

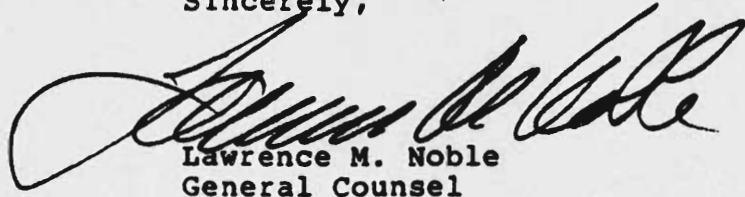
On February 18, 1987, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by making expenditures, as a corporation, in connection with Federal elections. The Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there was reason to believe that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f) and 441b(a), the latter in connection with its receipt of corporate contributions. On November 10, 1987, the Commission considered your request to enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Your request was denied at that time because of the need to complete the investigation. On March 17, 1988, the Commission reconsidered your request and determined to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a conciliation agreement in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. The Commission also decided to take no further action on 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441a(f), 441d and 441b, with respect to receipts of corporate contributions because the materials submitted by Republican Associates to the Commission indicate that Republican Associates did not, in the aggregate, make over \$1,000 in federal election-related expenditures in either 1985 or 1986.

Enclosed is a conciliation agreement that the Commission has approved in settlement of this matter. If your client agrees with the provisions of the enclosed agreement, please sign and return it, along with the civil penalty, to the Commission. In light of the fact that conciliation negotiations, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe, are limited to a maximum of 30 days, you should respond to this notification as soon as possible.

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If you have any questions or suggestions for changes in the agreement, or if you wish to arrange a meeting in connection with a mutually satisfactory conciliation agreement, please contact Judybeth Greene, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-5690.

Sincerely,



Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

Enclosure
Conciliation Agreement

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 2230
San Joaquin Valley Republican)
Associates)

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. BACKGROUND

This matter was generated as the result of a complaint filed by the California Democratic Party against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates ("Republican Associates") and individuals acting on its behalf.

On February 18, 1987, the Commission found reason to believe that Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by making expenditures, as a corporation, in connection with Federal elections. The Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there was reason to believe that Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f) and 441b(a), the latter in connection with its receipt of corporate contributions. In its response on May 6, 1987, Republican Associates requested pre-probable cause conciliation in this matter. The Commission denied this request on November 10, 1987, pending completion of the legal and factual analysis of this matter. On March 17, 1988, the Commission voted to take no further action against Republican Associates, and its treasurer, as treasurer, as to 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441a(f), 441d and 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) with respect to receipts of corporate contributions. At that time the Commission also approved Republican Associates' request to enter into pre-probable cause conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.

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J. Miles Reid, counsel for Republican Associates, has spoken with representatives of this Office on several occasions by telephone to discuss the Commission's findings. On April 22, 1988, this Office received a letter from Mr. Reid which questioned the factual and legal basis of the Commission's findings and on May 3, 1988, this Office received further response from Mr. Reid on behalf of Republican Associates.^{1/}

II. ANALYSIS

Republican Associates in its written and oral responses, argues that a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b did not occur. The corporation's contention is based on its disagreement with the Commission's interpretation of Section 441b; Republican Associates argues that the "express advocacy" standard rather than the "in connection with" standard must be applied in cases involving corporate expenditures. In light of its interpretation, Republican Associates asserts that it will only sign a conciliation agreement which incorporates the "express advocacy" standard and includes a penalty of no more than \$50.^{2/}

^{1/} On April 7, 1988, this Office received a request for an advisory opinion from Republican Associates which focused on future activity by this corporation.

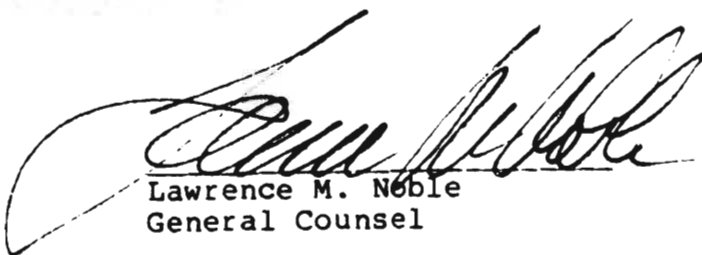
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III. RECOMMENDATION

1. Reject the counteroffer of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
2. Approve the attached letter.

Date

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Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

Attachments

1. Response
2. Letter to Respondent

Staff Person: Judybeth Greene

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates)

AMENDED CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session of June 21, 1988, do hereby certify that the Commission took the following actions in MUR 2230:

1. Failed in a vote of 3-3 to pass a motion to -
 - a) Reject the counteroffer of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
 - b) Take no further action in this matter and close the file.
 - c) Direct the Office of General Counsel to send a letter to the respondents stating that if they spend more than One Thousand Dollars on behalf of federal candidates they will become a federal committee and must register with the FEC.
 - d) Direct the Office of General Counsel to send a copy of the file on this case when it closes, with a cover letter, to the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

Commissioners McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the motion; Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, and Josefiak dissented.

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2. Decided by a vote of 5-1 to -

- a) Reject the counteroffer of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
- b) Take no further action in this matter and close the file.
- c) Direct the Office of General Counsel to send a letter to the respondents stating that if they spend more than One Thousand Dollars on behalf of federal candidates they will become a federal committee and must register with the FEC.

Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision; Commissioner Josefiak dissented.

Attest:

8/29/88

Date

Marjorie W. Emmons

Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary of the Commission

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 1, 1988

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Betty Smith
State Chair
California Democratic Party
500 Sutter Street, #405
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: MUR 2230
San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates

Dear Ms. Smith:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on September 2, 1986, concerning possible violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act, of 1971, as amended, by San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.

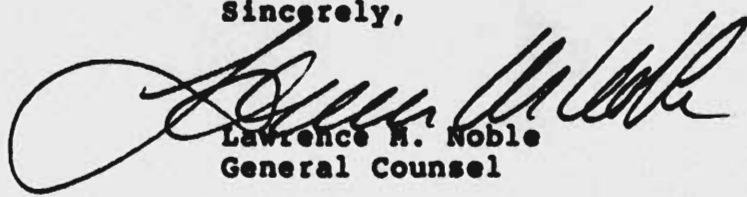
Based on that complaint, on February 18, 1987, the Commission found that there was reason to believe San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b, a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and instituted an investigation of this matter. The Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there was reason to believe that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f) and 441b(a). However, after reviewing the materials submitted by Republican Associates the Commission determined that Republican Associates did not, in the aggregate, make over \$1,000 in Federal election-related expenditures in 1985 or 1986 and therefore determined on March 17, 1988, to take no further action against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates on 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441a(f), 441d, and 441b, with respect to receipts of corporate contributions. After further considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates on 2 U.S.C. § 441b, and closed the file in this matter on June 21, 1988. A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision is being prepared and will be forwarded to you at a later date. This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

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If you have any questions, please contact Judybeth Greene,
the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-8200.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lawrence M. Noble", is written over the typed name and title.

Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

Enclosures
General Counsel's Report

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 1, 1988

**J. Miles Reid, Esquire
McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard,
Wayte & Carruth
P.O. Box 20413
Fresno, California
93779-4013**

**RE: MUR 2230
San Joaquin Valley
Republican Associates**

Dear Mr. Reid:

On March 27, 1987, you were notified that the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that your client, San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by making expenditures, as a corporation in connection with Federal elections. The Commission also determined, in the alternative, that there was reason to believe that San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f) and 441b(a). On May 6, 1987, you submitted a response to the Commission's reason to believe findings and interrogatories and requested to enter into conciliation negotiations prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. The Commission denied this request on November 10, 1987, pending completion of the legal and factual analysis in this matter. On March 17, 1988, the Commission voted to take no further action against Republican Associates and its treasurer, as treasurer, as to 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, 441d(a), 441a(f) and 441b(a) with respect to receipts of corporate contributions. At that time, the Commission also approved your request to enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.

After considering the circumstances of the matter, the Commission determined on June 21, 1988, to deny your counteroffer in settlement of this matter. At that time, the Commission also voted to take no further action against San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates, and closed the file in this matter. The file will be made part of the public record within 30 days. Should you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so within ten days of your receipt of this letter. Such materials should be sent to the Office of the General Counsel.

The Commission reminds you that an organization which makes over \$1,000 in expenditures during a calendar year for the purpose of influencing Federal elections or receives over \$1,000

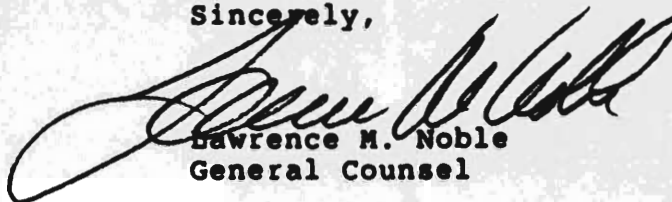
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in contributions is subject to the registration and reporting requirements of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. See 2 U.S.C. §§ 433 and 434. Accordingly, your client should register and report to the Federal Election Commission in the event that it makes over \$1,000 in such expenditures or receives over \$1,000 in contributions in any calendar year.

If you have any questions, please contact Judybeth Greene, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 376-8200.

Sincerely,



Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

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WASHINGTON, D C 20463

THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL IS BEING ADDED TO THE
PUBLIC FILE OF CLOSED MUR 2230 .

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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San Joaquin Valley Republican) MUR 2230
Associates)

AMENDED CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session of June 21, 1988, do hereby certify that the Commission took the following actions in MUR 2230:

1. Failed in a vote of 3-3 to pass a motion to -
 - a) Reject the counteroffer of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
 - b) Take no further action in this matter and close the file.
 - c) Direct the Office of General Counsel to send a letter to the respondents stating that if they spend more than One Thousand Dollars on behalf of federal candidates they will become a federal committee and must register with the FEC.
 - d) Direct the Office of General Counsel to send a copy of the file on this case when it closes, with a cover letter, to the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

Commissioners McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the motion; Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, and Josefiak dissented.

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2. Decided by a vote of 5-1 to -

- a) Reject the counteroffer of San Joaquin Valley Republican Associates.
- b) Take no further action in this matter and close the file.
- c) Direct the Office of General Counsel to send a letter to the respondents stating that if they spend more than One Thousand Dollars on behalf of federal candidates they will become a federal committee and must register with the FEC.

Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, McDonald, McGarry, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision; Commissioner Josefiak dissented.

Attest:

8/29/88

Date

Marjorie W. Emmons

Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary of the Commission

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