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National Republican Congressional Committee

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Executive Director

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October 31, 1996

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

JAY HOFFMAN FOR CONGRESS

STATE SENATOR WILLIAM O'DANIEL

STATE REPS. LARRY WOOLARD, STEVE DAVIS,
TOM HOLBROOK & JUDY ERWIN

MUR #4561

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OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

COMPLAINT

The National Republican Congressional Committee ("N.R.C.C."), by and through its Executive Director, Maria Cino, brings this complaint pursuant to 2 U.S.C. sec. 437g(a)(1). The N.R.C.C. is located at 320 First Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003.

I. SUMMARY

Jay Hoffman is clearly laundering money from his state legislative account into his congressional campaign, using fellow state representatives' accounts as pass through vehicles. These slick maneuvers attempt unsuccessfully to maneuver around clear federal prohibitions.

II. FACTS & VIOLATIONS OF LAW

It is plainly unlawful for a federal candidate to transfer funds from his nonfederal committee to his federal committee. 11 C.F.R. sec. 110.3(d). Jay Hoffman for Congress has attempted to maneuver around this bright-line rule, by laundering his state campaign funds through intermediary sources. His actions are unlawful. He cannot do indirectly what he is banned from doing directly.

As reported by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch today, Hoffman has employed the following pass through vehicles to get at his state funds (article attached):

**MONEY FROM HOFFMAN'S
STATE CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT**
\$500 out on Sept. 24

**RECIPIENT
COMMITTEE**
State Senator
William O'Daniel

**MONEY TO HOFFMAN'S
FEDERAL CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT**
\$500 back in on Sept. 28

\$500 out on Aug. 21

State Representative
Larry Woolard

\$600 back in Aug. 22

320 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003
(202) 479-7020

**MONEY FROM HOFFMAN'S
STATE CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT**

\$400 out on Sept. 24

\$250 out on July 31

\$250 out on Sept. 24

**RECIPIENT
COMMITTEE**

State Representative
Steve Davis

State Representative
Tom Holbrook

State Representative
Judy Erwin

**MONEY TO HOFFMAN'S
FEDERAL CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT**

\$200 back in Oct. 8

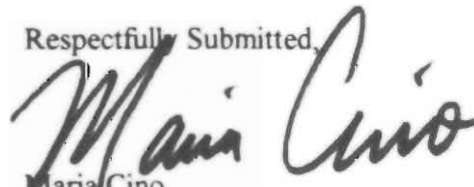
\$250 back in the same day (7/31)

\$250 back in Oct. 3

III. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

The Commission should investigate the Jay Hoffman for Congress Committee and the obvious money laundering in which it is engaging. Mr. Hoffman cannot do indirectly what he is prohibited from doing directly. The Commission should take all necessary and appropriate measures to ensure that the Hoffman Committee returns these ill-gotten gains and complies with federal law in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,


Maria Cino
Executive Director

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA

Sworn and subscribed to before
me this 15th day of October, 1996

Notarized


NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:

M. E. Adon
Notary Public, District of Columbia
My Commission Expires July 14, 1999

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Candidate's Give And Take May Sidestep Election Law

By Kevin McDermott

Illinois State Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — It is a frustrating fact of life for state legislators who try to make the jump to Congress: They may have plenty of money in their state political coffers, but federal law doesn't allow them to use it for a congressional campaign.

Records show that Illinois congressional candidate Jay Hoffman may have solved that problem, with a little help from his friends — a dozen fellow Democrats who accepted donations from Hoffman's state legislative fund, then made similar or identical donations to his congressional campaign.

About \$5,000 effectively went from Hoffman's state campaign coffers to his congressional campaign this year, through a series of small donations to and from other state politicians, according to a Post-Dispatch analysis of election records.

Hoffman and others insist the figures are coincidental; critics say they hint at a legal form of money laundering. In any case, the state and federal documents appear to chart an indirect transfer of money that would have violated federal law had it been done directly.

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Most of the money was in the form of \$250 to \$500 contributions from Hoffman's state fund to Democratic legislators and Metro East politicians, including Madison and St. Clair county officials.

They, in turn, donated money back to Hoffman's congressional fund — often in the same week, and, in one case, on the same day.

"Sometimes, I buy tickets to their fund-raisers, sometimes they buy tickets to mine. ... One has absolutely nothing to do with the other," said Hoffman, who vehemently denied that the cross-transactions are anything more than coincidence.

He also pointed out that the \$5,000 in question is a small portion of the money his two campaign funds deal with. Hoffman's state campaign fund has spent almost \$20,000 this year, largely in support of Democratic legislative candidates; his congressional fund has taken in more than \$500,000.

"These are 12 people who decided to give to me. ... We're talking about a race that's probably going to spend about \$700,000," said Hoffman, adding: "I've given contributions to lots of people who didn't give me anything. It's their decision."

'Shell Games'

But critics say such transactions appear calculated to move a candidate's state campaign dollars into his federal campaign fund, circumventing the federal law that prohibits such transfers. The fact that there's no way to prove intent, they say, makes the circumstances even worse.

"Once in while we get a whiff of these kinds of shell games with the

money, ... but you almost have to have a written confession to prove there was any kind of collusion," said Sheila Krumholz of the Center for Responsive Politics, a Washington-based political reform group.

"This is essentially money laundering," she added. "You can't prove it, but I think the voters see through this kind of stuff."

Kent Redfield, political science professor at the University of Illinois at Springfield, said the scenario "looks like another example of how easy it is to move money around if you're determined. We have a lot of determined people out there."

The politicians who gave and got donations from Hoffman say any patterns that appear in the records are misleading, signifying nothing more than similar fund-raising dates and other coincidences.

Sen. William O'Daniel, D-Mount Vernon, is listed in records as getting \$500 from Hoffman's state fund on Sept. 24, and giving \$500 to Hoffman's congressional fund four days later. O'Daniel said both the transactions were pre-payments for early October fund-raisers — one sponsored by O'Daniel for his re-election campaign this year, the other sponsored by Hoffman for his congressional campaign.

"He came to my fund-raiser and gave me \$500," said O'Daniel. Then "he had a fund-raiser, and I thought, 'He needs the money as bad as I do,' so I gave him \$500. I've given him other donations. It wasn't a trade-off."

'Always Supported Jay'

State Rep. Tom Holbrook, D-Bellefonte, said the records that show him getting \$250 from Hoffman's state campaign and giving \$250 to Hoffman's congressional campaign on the same day merely means that "that was a good time for a fund-

Jay Hoffman's Two Campaign Funds

Here are some examples of how campaign cash moved among state legislators and Jay Hoffman's state and congressional campaign funds.

State Sen. William O'Daniel, D-Mount Vernon

Gets: \$500 from Hoffman's state campaign fund Sept. 24.

Gives: \$500 to Hoffman's congressional campaign fund Sept. 28.

State Rep. Larry Woolard, D-Marion

Gives: \$500 to Hoffman's congressional fund Aug. 21.

Gets: \$600 from Hoffman's state fund Aug. 22.

State Rep. Steve Davis, D-Wood River

Gets: \$400 from Hoffman's state fund Sept. 24.

Gives: \$200 to Hoffman's congressional fund Oct. 8.

State Rep. Tom Holbrook, D-Bellefonte

Gets: \$250 from Hoffman's state fund July 31.

Gives: \$250 to Hoffman's congressional fund July 31.

State Rep. Judy Erwin, D-Chicago

Gets: \$250 from Hoffman's state fund Sept. 24.

Gives: \$250 to Hoffman's congressional fund Oct. 3.

SOURCE: Federal Election Commission, Illinois Election Board

Post-Dispatch Graphic

raiser."

"Jay and I went to each other's fund-raisers," Holbrook said. "It's the same thing we've done for years. I've always supported Jay." He added that the \$250 contribution to Hoffman's congressional campaign is just one of many he gave. "If we're swapping money," Holbrook joked, "he's coming out way ahead."

Hoffman noted he is one of the leaders in the state Democratic Party, giving him the responsibility of helping to fund other Democrats. He maintains the back-and-forth donations aren't a concerted pattern, but just part of the normal political terrain.

"I get a solicitation [from a Democratic candidate], I write them a check and send it off; they get a

solicitation from me, and they write a check. It may sound silly, but one has nothing to do with the other," Hoffman said. "Last week, I gave \$2,000 to [House Democratic Leader Michael] Madigan. I won't get anything back for that."

Hoffman is running for the 20th Congressional District seat in a hotly contested race with Republican John Shimkus, currently Madison County treasurer. They are vying to replace U.S. Rep. Richard Durbin, D-Springfield, who is giving up the seat to run for the U.S. Senate. The 20th District stretches from the Metro East area to Quincy, Springfield and Marion County.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Maria Cino, Executive Director
National Republican Congressional
Committee
320 First Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms.Cino:

This letter acknowledges receipt on November 4, 1996, of the complaint you filed alleging possible violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The respondent(s) will be notified of this complaint within five days.

You will be notified as soon as the Federal Election Commission takes final action on your complaint. Should you receive any additional information in this matter, please forward it to the Office of the General Counsel. Such information must be sworn to in the same manner as the original complaint. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future communications. For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

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Colleen T. Sealander, Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Dennis Ruth, Treasurer
Hoffman for Congress Committee
PO Box 134
Collinsville, IL 62234

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Ruth:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that Hoffman for Congress Committee ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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Colleen T. Sealander, Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Honorable Jay Hoffman
104 Twin Echo Court
Collinsville, IL 62234

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Norma O'Daniel, Treasurer
Committee to Re Elect O'Daniel
PO Box 687
Mount Vernon, IL 62864

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. O'Daniel:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that the Committee to Re Elect O'Daniel ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Honorable William O'Daniel
103C State House
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. O'Daniel:

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

David Hindman, Treasurer
Citizens for Woolard
58 Meadowlark Drive
Carterville, IL 62918

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Hindman:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that Citizens for Woodland ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Honorable Larry Woolard
2050-L Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Woolard:

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Dianne Blasa, Treasurer
Citizens for Steve Davis
PO Box 575
Wood River, IL 62095

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Blasa:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that Citizens for Steve Davis ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Honorable Steve Davis
2085-M Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Darryl Elbe, Treasurer
Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook
c/o Kevin Kaufhold
PO Box 23409
Belleville, IL 62226-0409

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Elbe:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that the Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Honorable Tom Holbrook
K-1A Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Holbrook:

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Marlene Demuzio, Treasurer
Citizens for Judy Erwin
PO Box 64868
Chicago, IL 60664-0868

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Demuzio:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that Citizens for Judy Erwin and you, as treasurer, may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20463

November 12, 1996

Honorable Judy Erwin
2099-M Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Erwin:

The Federal Election Commission received a complaint which indicates that you may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 4561. 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 in this matter. Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel's Office, 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.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and § 437g(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public. If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact Erik Morrison at (202) 219-3400. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Colleen T. Sealand", written in a cursive style.

Colleen T. Sealand, Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket

Enclosures

1. Complaint
2. Procedures
3. Designation of Counsel Statement

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ILLINOIS STATE SENATE

CAPITOL OFFICE:

103C STATE CAPITOL
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62706
217/782-5304

DISTRICT OFFICE:

2700 BROADWAY
MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS 62864
618/242-7388



COMMITTEES:

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COMMISSIONS:

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COUNCIL ON
ENERGY RESOURCES

WM. L. O'DANIEL
STATE SENATOR • 54TH DISTRICT

November 21, 1996

Mr. Lawrence Noble
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Room 657
Washington, D. C. 20463

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OFFICE OF GENERAL
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RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Noble:

In response to the complaint docketed MUR 4561, I categorically deny that I violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. Specifically, the allegation that Mr. Jay Hoffman employed my re-election committee as a "pass through vehicle[] to get at his state funds," \$500.00 in this instance, is not true.

In September 1996, upon being notified that my re-election committee was holding a dinner reception to raise funds on October 4, 1996, Mr. Hoffman donated \$500.00 to my re-election committee. (I enclose a copy of the ticket and response card reflecting that my re-election committee held a fundraiser on October 4, 1996). Also, in September 1996, upon being notified that a fundraiser was being held for Mr. Hoffman on October 10, 1996, I donated \$500.00 to Mr. Hoffman's election committee. (I enclose a copy of the announcement reflecting that a fundraiser was held for Mr. Hoffman on October 10, 1996).

For these reasons, the complaint does not warrant the use of Commission resources and should be dismissed.

Sincerely,

William L. O'Daniel
WILLIAM L. O'DANIEL

State Senator
54th District

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**SENATOR
BILL O'DANIEL
Dinner Reception**

Friday, October 4, 1996

6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Green Hills Country Club

Mt. Vernon, Illinois

Donation \$100.00 Per Person

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(or will be) available for purchase from the State Board of Elec-
tions, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, Illinois. Political
contributions are not deductible for income tax purposes.

**SENATOR BILL O'DANIEL
Dinner Reception**

☐ YES, I want to help re-elect Senator O'Daniel.

Enclosed please find my contribution of:

☐ \$100 ☐ \$200 ☐ \$500 ☐ Other _____

☐ SORRY, I cannot attend, but enclosed is my contribution.

Name _____

Business or Association _____

Address _____

Phone _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Committee to Re-Elect Senator O'Daniel

P.O. Box 687 Mt. Vernon, IL 62864-0687



U.S. SENATE CANDIDATE
CONGRESSMAN
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&

CONGRESSMAN
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*Cordially Invite You To Join
Our Special Guest
Congressman Patrick Kennedy
At A Fundraiser For*

REPRESENTATIVE
JAY C. HOFFMAN

PLEASE JOIN US
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1996
AT THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
COLLINSVILLE, ILLINOIS

SPONSOR RECEPTION
5 - 6 P.M.
\$250.00 PER SPONSOR

MAIN RECEPTION
6 - 9 P.M.
\$60.00 PER PERSON
\$100.00 PER COUPLE

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KEVIN C. KAUFHOLD, P.C.
Attorney at Law

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November 22, 1996

Ms. Colleen T. Sealander, Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: MUR4561

Dear Ms. Sealander:

Please be advised that I represent the Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook. Please consider this a response to the Federal Election Commission letter of November 12, 1996 which was addressed to the Honorable Tom Holbrook and also, Darryl Elbe, Treasurer, Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook. This is a response to Docket No. MUR4561.

At an initial threshold matter, these donations had nothing whatsoever to do with each other. Please find enclosed the photocopy of fund raiser solicitation from Tom Holbrook's campaign. This fund raiser request went out to over 1,000 individuals for the August 19, 1996 fund raiser. One of those individuals receiving this request would have been Jay Hoffman. Evidently, Mr. Hoffman wrote a check for this fund raiser.

Further, Mr. Holbrook has received requests for fund raiser events from numerous politicians over the years, and Mr. Holbrook has attended various fund raisers. In fact, the donation from Mr. Holbrook to Mr. Hoffman was for a fund raiser held by Mr. Hoffman.

The allegations contained in the complaint merely reflect attendance at fund raisers by the various candidates.

Ms. Connie T. Sealander, Attorney
Page 2
November 22, 1996

In conclusion, this complaint is completely malicious and does not justify the use of Federal Election Commission resources. The complaint should therefore be dismissed.

Sincerely,

KEVIN C. KAUFHOLD, P.C.

By: 
Kevin C. Kaufhold

KCK/law

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The Committee to Elect
Tom Holbrook
State Representative

cordially invites you to attend
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Monday, August 19, 1996

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At Panorama Lanes
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Belleville, IL

Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook. A copy of our report is
(or will be) filed with the State Board of Elections, Springfield, IL.

judy.erwin@nidus.com

http://www.judy.erwin.nidus.net



JUDY ERWIN
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
11TH DISTRICT

1545 N. WELLS STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60610
312/266-0340

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217/782-8404

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FEDERAL ELECTION
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OFFICE

November 20, 1996

General Counsel
Federal Elections Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

To Whom It May Concern:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 12, 1996 regarding complaint MUR 4561.

In response, please find enclosed copies of a fundraising solicitation from my campaign committee which solicited over 1200 individuals including Representative Jay Hoffman, for the October 2, 1996 event as stated on the invitation.

Also enclosed, please find a copy of a request for support of an event in Chicago for Jay Hoffman for Congress. As a colleague in the Illinois House of Representatives and a friend, I was an early and strong supporter of Representative Hoffman's candidacy for Congress. I had indicated support and my participation for a Chicago area event early in 1996. The fact that our two events were held on the same day, and the same town, was pure coincidence. Clearly, I would have wanted to at least attend his event which was held in my legislative district.

Further, I made a contribution to the Hoffman campaign based upon my campaign fund relative financial health at that time and no other factors.

I submit that this complaint is without merit and further respectfully request that no further action be taken

Sincerely,


Judy Erwin
State Representative
11th District

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Enclosures - 3

Judy
Erwin

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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- ☐ Yes, I/We will attend the reception on Wednesday, October 2, 1996.
☐ I/We will be a Benefactor.
Enclosed is my contribution of \$1000.
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Enclosed is my check for \$ _____.
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Please make checks payable to:

Citizens for Judy Erwin

P.O. Box 64868

Chicago, Illinois 60664

For further information, please call:

312.266.0445

Tickets will be held at the door

A copy of our report filed with the Illinois State Board of Elections is available for purchase
from the State Board of Elections.

You are cordially invited to
a reception honoring

State Representative
JUDY ERWIN
11th District

Wednesday, October 2, 1996
5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

O'Brien's Restaurant
1528 N. Wells
Chicago, Illinois

Per Person: \$100.00 Sponsor: \$500.00
Benefactor: \$1,000.00

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Alfred G. Ronan, Limited
225 W. Washington
Suite 4700
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Alfred G. Ronan
President

312-629-4477
Fax 312-629-3504

September 18, 1996

The Honorable Judy Erwin
Illinois State Representative
1545 North Wells Street
Chicago, Illinois 60610

Dear State Representative Erwin:

I am writing to you about a good friend of mine, Jay Hoffman, who is running for United States Congress in the 20th Congressional District.

Jay has been a member of the Illinois House of Representatives since 1990, and he currently serves as a floor leader for the House Democrats. Based on his achievements in the House and his proven record of accomplishments, Jay is the only candidate who can win the 20th Congressional seat in November.

As you probably know, Dick Durbin has served as Congressman in the 20th District for the last 12 years. I do not have to tell you how important it is to keep this seat in Democratic hands. Raising money is the most crucial component to a successful campaign which is why I have offered my assistance to Jay in his efforts statewide.

I am assisting in coordinating a Chicago area fundraiser on Jay's behalf. I believe it is important for this fundraiser to accomplish two goals: allow business leaders in our great city to know Jay as a strong, viable candidate, and to enhance Jay's overall reputation in the City of Chicago.

I am pleased to announce that Mayor Richard M. Daley has agreed to serve as Honorary Chairman for Jay's Chicago fundraiser which is a cocktail reception on Wednesday, October 2 from 5:30 until 7:00 pm at the Berghoff Restaurant located at 17 W. Adams Street. I have personally agreed to raise \$5,000, and I would hope that you can pledge to raise a comparable amount. A strong show of support financially and at the reception is important to the overall success of Jay's campaign efforts.

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Jane Rodriguez and Susan Nicholl of Dillon Productions are coordinating this event, and they will contact you to discuss your contribution and guests at the event. If you have any questions concerning funding sources or FEC regulations for congressional candidates, please do not hesitate to call either Susan or Jane at (312) 929-5978. Thank you for your support, and I look forward to seeing you on October 2.

Sincerely,



Al Ronan

According to Federal Election Commission Regulations, no corporate checks can be accepted, individual checks can not exceed \$1000, and only federal PAC money can be accepted up to \$5000.

Paid for by Hoffman for Congress Committee. Authorized by the Hoffman for Congress Committee.

Federal law requires political committees to report the name, mailing address, occupation and names of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200.00 in a calendar year. Contributions for this committee are not tax deductible for federal income tax purposes. Authorized by Hoffman for Congress Committee, P.O. Box 134, Collinsville, IL 62234.

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Jay HOFFMAN

December 4, 1996

DEMOCRAT for CONGRESS

107 1/2 E. Main • P.O. Box 134 • Collinsville, IL 62234 • (618) 346-2222 • Fax (618) 346-2245
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P.O. Box 12034 • Springfield, IL 62791-2034

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Federal Election Commission
Attn: Colleen T. Sealander
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463

RE: HOFFMAN FOR CONGRESS MUR4561

Dear Ms. Sealander:

I am writing in response to MUR #4561 filed by the National Republican Congressional Committee. On behalf of myself, Jay Hoffman, and the Hoffman for Congress Committee we deny the allegation that we in any way schemed to "launder" money from Mr. Hoffman's State Political Committee.

The contributions in question represent nothing more than the tradition of politicians attending and contributing to each others fundraising events. Enclosed marked Exhibit "A" are copies of flyers and tickets to fundraisers held on behalf of the State Legislators we made contributions to. Likewise, each of the legislators' contributions were made in response one or more of the numerous fundraisers held by the Hoffman for Congress Committee. As for the fact that our contributions were made from the State Committees' account I personally inquired with the FEC before doing so and was informed that the contributions were permissible. Furthermore, upon reviewing all of the contributions made by or to state legislators it is obvious that we in no way schemed to "launder" money from Mr. Hoffman's state committee.

First, the Hoffman for Congress Committee received over \$12,000.00 in contributions from 26 state legislative political committees. Second, five of those are the committees who received contributions from Mr. Hoffman's state political committee totaling \$1,900.00. Third, Rep. Holbrook and Sen. O'Daniel made a total of 6 separate contributions to the Hoffman for Congress Committee but only received one contribution apiece from Mr. Hoffman's state

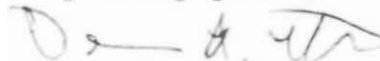
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Ms. Colleen T. Sealander
December 4, 1996
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political committee. Fourth, Mr. Hoffman's state political committee made 3 contributions totaling \$2,000.00 to state legislative political committees who did not contribute to the congressional campaign. Fifth, Mr. Hoffman's state political committee is alleged to have "laundered" only \$1,800.00 yet started the last reporting period with over \$52,000. Sixth, the Hoffman for Congress Committee in fact paid over \$900.00 to Mr. Hoffman's state political committee for the use of equipment belonging to it. Finally, all transactions have been fully documented in both federal and states election finance reports.

Clearly, upon reviewing this detailed analysis it is obvious that no one schemed to launder money. Furthermore, the N.R.C.C. having left all this information out of a complaint filed just days before the election shows this to be nothing more than last minute political posturing not worthy of further review. On behalf of myself, Jay Hoffman and the Hoffman For Congress Committee, I respectfully request this complaint be dismissed.

Very truly yours,



Dennis R. Ruth
Treasurer

P.S. Pursuant to my conversation with Erick Morrison a one day extension to file this answer has been approved.

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You are invited to a
Birthday Reception
Fundraising Cocktail Party
in honor of
Representative Steve Davis

on
Thursday, September 26, 1996

5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

at the home of
L. Thomas Lakin
287 Oakley
East Alton

\$250 per couple



Please R.S.V.P.
by September 16

A copy of our report filed with the State Board of Elections is (or will be)
available for purchase from the State Board of Elections, Springfield, Illinois.

Exhibit A

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Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook, a candidate for the office of State Representative (or will be) filed with the State Board of Elections, Springfield, IL.

Yes, I will attend the reception on Wednesday, October 2, 1996.

I/We will be a Benefactor.
Enclosed is my contribution of \$1000.

I/We will be a Sponsor.
Enclosed is my contribution of \$500.

Please reserve _____ tickets at \$100 per ticket.
Enclosed is my check for \$ _____.

Sorry I cannot attend, but enclosed is my contribution of \$ _____
with best wishes for a successful event.

NAME _____

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Citizens for Judy Erwin

P.O. Box 64868

Chicago, Illinois 60664

For further information, please call:

312.266.0445

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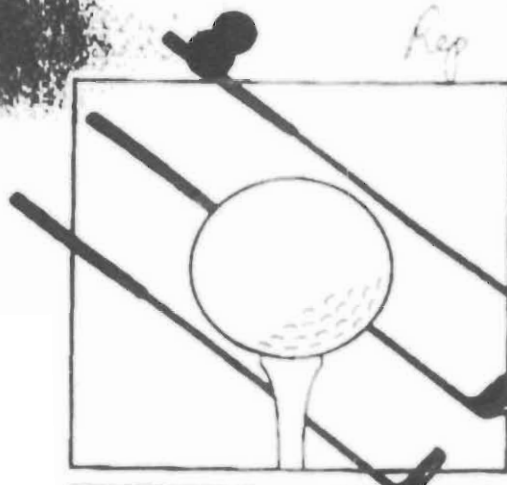
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Reg. J. Hoffman

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8th Annual Golf Outing & Twilight Reception



**Prizes on
Course!**



Rend Lake Golf Course

Thursday, August 8, 1996

Limited entries per session

Registration: 7:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.

Tee Off: 7:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.

Lunch: 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Reception following golf

Donation: \$100.00 per player
(includes golf and reception)

Sponsor: \$600.00

REGISTRATION FORM

(Please Clip and Return by August 6th)

Morning Scratchie _____ Afternoon Scratchie _____ First Available _____ Phone Number _____

☐ Yes, I will attend. Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ ☐ I do have a sixsome.

☐ No, I cannot attend, but I would like to donate. Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

Make Checks Payable and Return Reservation to: "Outings for Woodard", P.O. Box 515, Markon, Idaho 83259. 418 993-4428.

NAME _____

COMPANY _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE & ZIP CODE _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

SIXSOME MEMBERS

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*A copy of our report, filed with the State Board of Elections, is (or will be) available for your use from the State Board of Elections, Springfield, IL.

☐ Please assign me to a sixsome.
Golf Handicap _____



WILLIAM L. O'DANIEL
STATE SENATOR 54th DISTRICT
P. O. BOX 687 • MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS 62864-0687

**THE COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT
SENATOR BILL O'DANIEL**

**WILL HOST A
DINNER RECEPTION**

IN HIS HONOR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1996

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

AT

GREEN HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

OLD FAIRFIELD ROAD

MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS

DONATION \$100.00 PER PERSON



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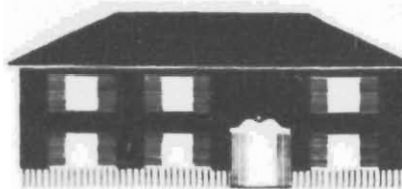
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Committee to Re-Elect Senator O'Daniel

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LAW OFFICE

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P. O. Box 1208
Marion, IL 62959

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(618) 997-3202
(618) 684-5000
FAX 997-6883

BROCTON LOCKWOOD

BROCTON LOCKWOOD
MARY JANE DWYER

Via Certified Mail
Return Receipt Requested
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November 27, 1996

Ms. Colleen T. Sealander
Central Enforcement Docket
Federal Election Commission
Washington DC 20463

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Sealander:

I have assisted David Hindman in reviewing the complaint which has been made and have been designated to respond on behalf of Citizens for Woolard. The following information has been gathered:

a. For several years, Larry Woolard has sponsored golf outings to raise money for his campaigns. Most years, Jay Hoffman, along with several legislative colleagues have been invited and have attended, paying for sponsorships.

b. On August 8, 1996, Larry Woolard held a golf outing. Jay Hoffman did not attend, but sent a check along with a letter dated August 19, 1996. The check itself was dated August 22, 1996, and deposited along with another check in the Citizens for Woolard account.

c. During 1996, Larry Woolard contributed to 6 to 8 golf outings. He received a brochure from Jay Hoffman, put a team together, paid his fee (\$500.00) and attended. The team consisted of Jim Ashby, Kevin Davis, D. W. Davis, and Larry Woolard. It is believed that the tournament was August 21, 1996 -- that date has not been verified. It is Larry Woolard's recollection that he took a check which was dated August 21, 1996.

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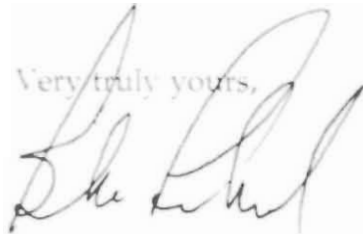
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d. There was no discussion between the candidates or within Larry's organization about attending the golf tournament of Jay Hoffman's. Larry went to the tournament mostly because Jay Hoffman had attended his earlier tournaments on several occasions and has an office right across the hall from Larry's office in Springfield.

I am enclosing a copy of the correspondence and checks received and deposited on August 26, 1996, along with an executed Statement Of Designation Of Counsel authorizing me to respond on behalf of David Hindman.

If you need any more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brocton Lockwood", written over a light blue rectangular background.

BROCTON LOCKWOOD

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Enclosures

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MAILING ADDRESS:
P.O. BOX 134
COLLINSVILLE, ILLINOIS 62234

PHONE:
618/346-8535



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JAY C. HOFFMAN
STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 112TH DISTRICT

August 19, 1996

Honorable Larry Woolard
Illinois State Representative
P.O. Box 515
Marion, Illinois 62959

Dear Larry:

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$600.00 (check #2018) for a sponsorship to your August 8 golf outing.

As always, if I can ever be of assistance, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

JAY C. HOFFMAN
Illinois State Representative
112th District

NOT PAID FOR AT TAXPAYERS EXPENSE

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Jay C. Hoffman. A copy of our report is (or will be) filed with the State Board of Elections, Springfield, IL.



COOK-WITTER
INCORPORATED

August 22, 1996

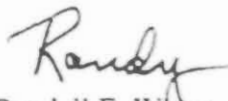
The Honorable Larry Woolard
Citizens for Woolard
P. O. Box 515
Marion, IL 62959

Dear Larry:

We are pleased to enclose a check for \$100.00 made payable to the "Citizens for Woolard" from Cook-Witter, Inc. We are sorry this did not arrive in time for your golf outing of August 8th, but hope it was successful.

We look forward to seeing you this fall at the veto session. Again, best of luck.

Sincerely,


Randall F. Witter


Bruce C. Kinnett

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Enc: CW, Inc. Ck #276 (\$100.00)

COMMITTEE TO EI
JAY C. HOFFMAN
P.O. BOX 134
COLLINSVILLE, IL 62234

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TO THE
ORDER OF

Citizens for Woodland

Aug 22 1996

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\$ 600.00

Six hundred & 00/100

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COOK-WITTER, INC.
SPECIAL ACCOUNT
625 S. 2ND ST.
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704

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8/22 1996

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Citizens for Woodland

\$ 100.00

One hundred & 00/100

DOLLARS



MARINE BANK OF SPRINGFIELD
East Old State Capitol Plaza - Springfield, Illinois 62701

MEMO

Randall F. Witter

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STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

MUR 4561

NAME OF COUNSEL: Brocton Lockwood

FIRM: Brocton Lockwood, P.C.

ADDRESS: 802 N. Court, P O Box 1208

Marion, IL 62959

TELEPHONE: (618) 997-3202

FAX: (618) 997-3202

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.

11/27/96
Date

David W. Hindman
Signature

RESPONDENT'S NAME: David Hindman

ADDRESS: 58 Meadowlark Drive

Carterville, IL 62918

TELEPHONE: HOME() _____

BUSINESS() _____

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*You are invited to a
Birthday Reception
Fundraising Cocktail Party
in honor of
Representative Steve Davis*

*on
Thursday, September 26, 1996*

5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

*at the home of
L. Thomas Lakin
287 Oakley
East Alton*

\$250 per couple

*Please R.F.A.P.
by September 16*

A copy of our report filed with the State Board of Elections is (or will be)
available for purchase from the State Board of Elections, Springfield, Illinois

*I plan to attend the reception. Please make _____
reservations. Enclosed is my check for \$ _____*

*I'd like to be a host for your birthday reception.
I have enclosed a check for \$1,111.*

*I cannot be a host but would like to wish you many
happy returns. I have enclosed a check for \$500.*

*I cannot be a host but would like to share in the
celebration. I have enclosed a check for \$ _____*

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Please reply by September 16.
Contributions payable to CITIZENS FOR STEVE DAVIS
A copy of our report filed with the State Board of Elections is (or will be)
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DISTRICT OFFICE:

29 N. WOOD RIVER AVENUE
WOOD RIVER, ILLINOIS 62095
618/251-4934
618/251-5023 FAX

SPRINGFIELD OFFICE:

2085 -M STRATTON BUILDING
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62706
217/782-5996



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STEVE DAVIS

STATE REPRESENTATIVE - 111TH DISTRICT

November 27, 1996

Colleen T. Sealander, Attorney
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Ms. Sealander:

In response to the complaint docketed MUR 4561, I and my campaign treasurer Dianne Blasa, categorically deny that we in any way, shape or fashion violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. The specific allegation that Mr. Jay Hoffman used my campaign committee as a "pass through vehicle" to funnel "\$200.00" into his federal campaign is not true.

On Thursday, September 26, 1996, my campaign committee held a fundraising reception, to which Representative Hoffman donated \$400.00 (see attached ticket and response card). Representative Hoffman held a fundraiser on October 10, 1996 at which time I donated \$200.00 to Mr. Hoffmans election committee. It is not unusual nor illegal for Democratic Candidates to donate to their colleagues and fellow Democrats.

I would urge you to dispense with this complaint in a timely manner and would further request that the complaint against me and my campaign treasurer be dismissed.

Sincerely,

Steve Davis
State Representative
111th District

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of

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ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY

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GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. INTRODUCTION.

The cases listed below have been identified as either stale or of low priority based upon evaluation under the Enforcement Priority System (EPS). This report is submitted to recommend that the Commission no longer pursue these cases.

This is the first Enforcement Priority Report that reflects the impact of the 1996 election cycle cases on the Commission's enforcement workload. We have identified cases that are stale which are recommended for dismissal at this time. This is the highest number of cases identified as stale in a single report, and the highest number of stale cases recommended for closure at one time, since the inception of EPS in 1993.

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II. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR CLOSURE.

A. **Cases Not Warranting Further Action Relative to Other Cases Pending Before the Commission**

EPS was created to identify pending cases which, due to the lower priority of the issues raised in the matters relative to others presently pending before the Commission, do not warrant further expenditure of resources. Central Enforcement Docket (CED) evaluates each incoming matter using Commission-approved criteria, resulting in a numerical rating for each case.

Closing such cases permits the Commission to focus its limited resources on more important cases presently pending before it. Based upon this review, we have identified cases that do not warrant further action relative to other pending matters.³ Attachment 1 to this report contains summaries of each case, the EPS rating, and the factors leading to assignment of a low priority and recommendation not to further pursue the matter.

B. **Stale Cases**

Effective enforcement relies upon the timely pursuit of complaints and referrals to ensure compliance with the law. Investigations concerning activity more remote in time usually require a greater commitment of resources, primarily due to the fact that the evidence of such activity becomes more difficult to develop as it ages. Focusing investigative efforts on more recent and more significant activity also has a more positive effect on the electoral process and the regulated community. In recognition of this fact, EPS provides us with the

³ These cases are: RAD 97L-10 (*Citizens for Randy Borow*); RAD 97L-16 (*Republican State Central Committee of South Dakota*); Pre-MUR 347 (*Producers Lloyds Insurance Company*); Pre-MUR 348 (*Peoples National Bank of Commerce*); Pre-MUR 349 (*Trump Plaza*); Pre-MUR 350 (*Citibank, N.A.*); Pre-MUR 355 (*Feingold Senate Committee*); MUR 4494 (*Georgianna Lincoln*);

MUR 4586 (*Friends of Zach Wamp*); MUR 4590 (*Oklahoma Education Association*); MUR 4600 (*San Diego Police Officers Assoc.*); MUR 4612 (*Teresa Doggett for Congress*); MUR 4615 (*Catholic Democrats for Christian Values*); MUR 4616 (*American Legislative Exchange Council*); MUR 4620 (*Eastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce*); MUR 4622 (*Telles for Mayor*); MUR 4628 (*Gutknecht for Congress*); MUR 4629 (*Janice Schakowsky*); MUR 4636 (*IBEW Local 505*); MUR 4637 (*Dettman for Congress*); MUR 4639 (*Larson for Congress*); MUR 4641 (*Becker for Congress*); MUR 4644 (*Detroit City Council*); MUR 4651 (*Mike Ryan*); MUR 4653 (*Pritzker for Congress*); MUR 4656 (*H. Carroll for Congress*); and MUR 4657 (*Buchanan for President*).

means to identify those cases which, though earning a higher rating when received, remained unassigned for a significant period due to a lack of staff resources for effective investigation. The utility of commencing an investigation declines as these cases age, until they reach a point when activation of a case would not be an efficient use of the Commission's resources.

We have identified cases that have remained on the Central Enforcement Docket for a sufficient period of time to render them stale. We are recommending the closure of cases based on staleness.⁶

* These cases are: MUR 4283 (*Chenoweth for Congress*); MUR 4341 (*Juan Soliz for Congress*); MUR 4402 (*U.S. Representative Helen Chenoweth*); MUR 4435 (*Lincoln for Congress*); MUR 4439 (*UAW*); MUR 4442 (*Lipinski for Congress*); MUR 4444 (*Roberts for Congress*); MUR 4445 (*Randy Tate for Congress*); MUR 4446 (*Clinton/Gore '96 Primary*); MUR 4447 (*Random House, Inc.*); MUR 4449 (*Clinton Administration*); MUR 4453 (*Mike Ward for Congress*); MUR 4454 (*Ralph Nader*); MUR 4459 (*Clinton/Gore '96*); MUR 4474 (*Saltri for Senate*); MUR 4477 (*BBDO-New York*); MUR 4481 (*Diamond Bar Caucus*); MUR 4485 (*Perot '92 Petition Committee*); MUR 4486 (*Bunda for Congress*); MUR 4495 (*Pennsylvania PACE for Federal Elections*); MUR 4496 (*Norwood for Congress*); MUR 4497 (*Pease for Congress*); MUR 4510 (*Stabenow for Congress*); MUR 4511 (*Bob Coffin for Congress*); MUR 4514 (*Friends for Franks*); MUR 4515 (*Clinton Investigative Commission*); MUR 4521 (*WMAI 630 AM*); MUR 4525 (*Senator Larry Pressler*); MUR 4527 (*Brennan for Senate*); MUR 4536 (*Signature Properties, Inc.*); MUR 4540 (*Tim Johnson for SD*); MUR 4542 (*Dan Frisa for Congress*); MUR 4552 (*Charles W. Norwood*); MUR 4554 (*John Byron for Congress*); MUR 4556 (*Jim Viggins for Congress*); MUR 4561 (*Jay Hoffman for Congress*); MUR 4564 (*National Republican Congressional Committee*); MUR 4567 (*DNC Services Corp.*); MUR 4569 (*McGovern Committee*); RAD 96L-11 (*New York Republican County Committee*); Pre-MUR 343 (*NRSC*); and Pre-MUR 312 (*Joseph Demio*). The Demio case involves fundraising related to former Congresswoman Mary Rose Oaker's 1992 congressional campaign. It was held as a courtesy to the Department of Justice pending resolution of a parallel criminal matter in the District Court for the District of Columbia. Mr. Demio recently entered into a plea agreement with the Department of Justice (on which we were not consulted) in which he agreed, among other things, to waive the statute of limitations regarding civil violations of the FECA. Considering the age of the case and activity, the fact that DOJ has not formally referred this matter to us, and the Commission's continuing resource constraints, dismissal is the appropriate disposition of this matter.

We recommend that the Commission exercise its prosecutorial discretion and direct closure of the cases listed below, effective November 17, 1997. Closing these cases as of this date will permit CED and the Legal Review Team the necessary time to prepare closing letters and case files for the public record.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS.

A. Decline to open a MUR, close the file effective November 17, 1997, and approve the appropriate letters in the following matters:

RAD 96L-11

Pre-MUR 312

Pre-MUR 349

Pre-MUR 343

Pre-MUR 350

RAD 97L-10

Pre-MUR 347

Pre-MUR 355

RAD 97L-16

Pre-MUR 348

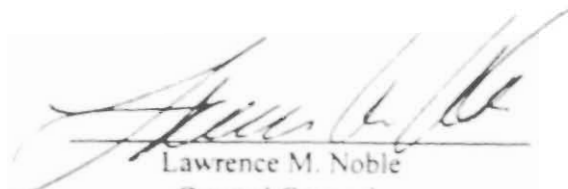
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B. Take no action, close the file effective November 17, 1997, and approve the appropriate letters in the following matters:

MUR 4283	MUR 4495	
MUR 4341	MUR 4496	MUR 4569
MUR 4402	MUR 4497	MUR 4586
MUR 4435	MUR 4510	MUR 4590
MUR 4439	MUR 4511	MUR 4600
MUR 4442	MUR 4514	MUR 4612
MUR 4444	MUR 4515	MUR 4615
MUR 4445		MUR 4616
MUR 4446	MUR 4521	MUR 4620
MUR 4447	MUR 4525	MUR 4622
MUR 4449	MUR 4527	MUR 4628
MUR 4453	MUR 4536	MUR 4629
MUR 4454	MUR 4540	MUR 4636
MUR 4459	MUR 4542	MUR 4637
MUR 4474	MUR 4552	MUR 4639
MUR 4477	MUR 4554	MUR 4641
MUR 4481	MUR 4556	MUR 4644
MUR 4485	MUR 4561	MUR 4651
MUR 4486		MUR 4653
	MUR 4564	MUR 4656
MUR 4494	MUR 4567	MUR 4657

Date

7/97


Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) Agenda Document No. X97-77
Enforcement Priority)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on December 2, 1997, do hereby certify that the Commission took the following actions with respect to Agenda Document No. X97-77:

1. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to

A. Decline to open a MUR, close the file effective December 15, 1997, and approve the appropriate letters in the following matters:

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| 1. RAD 96L-11 | 7. Pre-MUR 347 |
| | 8. Pre-MUR 348 |
| 3. RAD 97L-10 | 9. Pre-MUR 349 |
| 4. RAD 97L-16 | 10. Pre-MUR 350 |
| 5. Pre-MUR 312 | 11. Pre-MUR 355 |
| 6. Pre-MUR 343 | |

B. Take no action, close the file effective December 15, 1997, and approve the appropriate letters in the following matters:

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| 1. MUR 4283 | 6. MUR 4442 |
| 2. MUR 4341 | 7. MUR 4444 |
| 3. MUR 4402 | 8. MUR 4445 |
| 4. MUR 4435 | 9. MUR 4446 |
| 5. MUR 4439 | 10. MUR 4447 |

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11. MUR 4449	36. MUR 4556
12. MUR 4453	37. MUR 4561
13. MUR 4454	38. MUR 4564
14. MUR 4459	39. MUR 4567
15. MUR 4474	40. MUR 4569
16. MUR 4477	41. MUR 4586
17. MUR 4481	42. MUR 4590
18. MUR 4485	43. MUR 4600
19. MUR 4486	44. MUR 4612
20. MUR 4494	45. MUR 4615
21. MUR 4495	46. MUR 4616
22. MUR 4496	47. MUR 4620
23. MUR 4497	48. MUR 4622
24. MUR 4510	49. MUR 4628
25. MUR 4511	50. MUR 4629
26. MUR 4514	51. MUR 4636
27. MUR 4515	52. MUR 4637
28. MUR 4521	53. MUR 4639
29. MUR 4525	54. MUR 4641
30. MUR 4527	55. MUR 4644
31. MUR 4536	56. MUR 4651
32. MUR 4540	57. MUR 4653
33. MUR 4542	58. MUR 4656
34. MUR 4552	59. MUR 4657
35. MUR 4554	

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

Attest:

12-4-97
Date

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

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ted Maness, Executive Director
National Republican Congressional Committee
320 First Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Maness:

On November 4, 1996, the Federal Election Commission received Maria Cino's complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action in the matter. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997. This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days.

The Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437(g)(4)(B).

Sincerely,

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F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Honorable Jay Hoffman
104 Twin Echo Court
Collinsville, IL 62234

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against you. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

The confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record prior to receipt of your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record when received.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer H. Boyt on our toll-free number, (800)-424-9530. Our local number is (202) 219-3690.

Sincerely,

F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Dennis R. Ruth, Treasurer
Hoffman for Congress Committee
P.O. Box 134
Collinsville, IL 62234

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Ruth:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against Hoffman for Congress Committee and you, as treasurer. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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Sincerely,

F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Honorable William O'Daniel
103C State House
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. O'Daniel:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against you. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Norma O'Daniel, Treasurer
Committee to Re-Elect O'Daniel
P.O. Box 687
Mount Vernon, IL 62864

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. O'Daniel:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against Committee to Re-Elect O'Daniel and you, as treasurer. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Honorable Larry Woolard
2050-L Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Woolard:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against you. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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F. Andrew Turlay
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Brocton Lockwood
Brocton Lockwood, P.C.
802 N. Court, P.O. Box 1208
Marion, IL 62959

RE: MUR 4561
Citizens for Woolard, and David W. Hindman, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Lockwood:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against your clients. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Honorable Steve Davis
2085-M Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Davis:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against you. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Dianne Blasa, Treasurer
Citizens for Steve Davis
P.O. Box 575
Wood River, IL 62095

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Blasa:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against Citizens for Steve Davis and you, as treasurer. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Honorable Tom Holbrook
K-1A Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Holbrook:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against you. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Darryl Elbe, Treasurer
Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook
c/o Kevin Kaufhold
P.O. Box 23409
Belleville, IL 62226-0409

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Mr. Elbe:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against Committee to Elect Tom Holbrook and you, as treasurer. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

The confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record prior to receipt of your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record when received.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer H. Boyt on our toll-free number, (800)-424-9530. Our local number is (202) 219-3690.

Sincerely,

F. Andrew Turley
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Honorable Judy Erwin
2099-M Stratton Building
Springfield, IL 62706

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Erwin:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against you. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

The confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record prior to receipt of your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record when received.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 1997

Marlene Demuzio, Treasurer
Citizens for Judy Erwin
P.O. Box 64868
Chicago, IL 60664-0868

RE: MUR 4561

Dear Ms. Demuzio:

On November 12, 1996, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with that notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission exercised its prosecutorial discretion to take no action against Citizens for Judy Erwin and you, as treasurer. This case was evaluated objectively relative to other matters on the Commission's docket. In light of the information on the record, the relative significance of the case, and the amount of time that has elapsed, the Commission determined to close its file in this matter on December 15, 1997.

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