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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
John and Ruth Stauffer)
Sam Brownback for US Senate and)
Alan Groesbeck, as treasurer)

MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736

SENSITIVE

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED: Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer, close the file as to them; and approve the appropriate letter.

II. DISCUSSION:

On May 17, 2001, the Federal Election Commission found probable cause to believe that John and Ruth Stauffer ("the Stauffers") violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1) by making excessive contributions to the Sam Brownback for US Senate Committee.

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III. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer.
2. Close the file as to John and Ruth Stauffer.
3. Approve the appropriate letter.

6/14/00

Date



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