



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF MUR # 534 B



BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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)
Cameron County Republican)
Executive Committee)

MUR 535b

CERTIFICATION

I, Wendy McGhee Graham, Recording Secretary of the Meeting, do hereby certify that on March 15, 1978, the Commission, by a vote of 4-1, directed the General Counsel not to proceed further with any actions against the above-captioned committee and to close the file.

Voting for this approval were Commissioners Springer, Staebler, Harris and Thomson. Commissioner Tiernan voted against the determination.

Wendy McGhee Graham

Wendy McGhee Graham
Recording Secretary of the Meeting

Marjorie W. Emmons
Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary to the Commission

Date: March 17, 1978

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 7, 1978

MEMORANDUM TO: CHARLES STEELE
FROM: MARJORIE W. EMMONS *mwe*
SUBJECT: MUR 535b (78) - OBJECTION

The above-mentioned MUR was circulated to the Commissioners on March 6, 1978 at 11:00.

Commissioner Staebler submitted an objection at 3:30, March 6, 1978, thereby placing MUR 535b on the Executive Session Agenda for March 15, 1978.

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March 3, 1978

MEMORANDUM TO: Marge Emmons
FROM: Elissa T. Garr
SUBJECT: MUR 535b

Please have the attached 7 day report on MUR 535b distributed to the Commission on a 24 hour no-objection basis.

Thank you.

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FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO THE COMMISSION MAR 3 1978

MUR NO. 535 B
DATE COMPLAINT RECEIVED
BY OGC February 10, 1978
STAFF
MEMBER Donaldson

COMPLAINANT'S NAME: Referred from Reports Analysis

RESPONDENT'S NAME: Cameron County Republican Executive Committee

RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. §441a(d)
11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED: Cameron County Republican Executive Committee
Republican (Texas) Party
Republican National Committee

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED: N/A

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS

The Reports Analysis Division referred the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee to the Office of General Counsel on February 10, 1978 (Attachment I). Reports Analysis has questioned whether expenditures made by the Club were permitted by 2 U.S.C. §441a(d) and 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5).

PRELIMINARY LEGAL ANALYSIS

A review of the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee reports filed with the Commission indicate that the Committee made over \$1000 in expenditures to influence the general election campaign of the Republican Party's nominee for President (Attachment II).

11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) states that "Any expenditure by a .. county committee of a political party .. that furthers the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice President shall not constitute the making of a contribution or expenditure to a Federal candidate as long as the expenditures do not exceed \$1000 per such committee." There is no provision in the Act or the Regulations permitting a county committee of a political party to expend over \$1000 to further the general election of a Party's candidates for President and Vice President unless they are designated agents of the national committee as provided for in 11 C.F.R. §110.7(a)(4). Cameron County Republican Executive Committee was not a designated agent of the Republican National Committee in 1976.

RECOMMENDATION

Find reason to believe that the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election campaign of the Republican's candidate for President. Send attached letter.

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ATTACHMENT I
(see page 3 of memo)



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1125 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461

February 10, 1978

MEMORANDUM

TO: WILLIAM OLDAKER, OGC

ATTN: RANDALL JOHNSON

THROUGH: ORLANDO B. POTTER *OBP*
LOIS ZELLA

FROM: IRENE ALLEN *Ja*

SUBJECT: BELL COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB, TEXAS-POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS

During the review of a report submitted by the Bell County Democratic Club, a problem surfaced which will require a clarification from the Office of General Counsel before it can be resolved. We should appreciate your consideration of the matter set forth herein, and your advice as to the method by which this problem should be handled.

Reporting History of Committee

1. Committee filed a new Statement of Organization on 10/29/76. This document stated that the committee was a county(Bell) committee of the Democratic(Texas) Party. The document listed no affiliation.
2. Committee filed, on State forms, a Report of Receipts and Expenditures on 8/22/77. This report was filed in response to a non-filer mailgram for the July 10 Quarterly Report. The report covered 10/24/76-11/27/76, and it provided little information.
3. Dorothy Riley spoke with treasurer of the committee on 8/25/77, requesting a report for such periods as necessary, to be filed on FEC Form 3.
4. Committee filed on 11/18/77 a copy of the original Statement of Organization which had been filed on 10/29/76. (Copy attached)
5. Committee filed on 11/18/77 a Report of Receipts and Expenditures on FEC Form 3, which covered the following periods. (Copy attached)
 - "Sept. 24-Oct. 23"
 - "Oct. 24-Nov. 27"
 - "Nov. 28-Present"



William Oldaker
Bell County Democratic Club, Texas-Possible violations

From the information presented in this latter Report, it appears that the committee made expenditures, apparently not in excess of \$1,000, for newspaper advertisements which furthered the general election campaigns of only the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates of the party. Further, it appears that the committee made these expenditures under the assumption that it was making independent expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of the party's candidates for President and Vice-President. There has been no indication to date that the committee made such expenditures as the designated agent of the national committee of the political party.

The Act and the FEC Regulations

The Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, and the FEC Regulations appear to permit expenditures by a county committee of a political party, in connection with the general election campaign of a Presidential candidate only under the following conditions.

1. The national committee of the political party designates the county committee as agent to make such expenditures under the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 441a(d); or
2. The county committee makes such expenditures, the primary purposes of which are to further the general election campaign of that party's nominee or nominees, that also further the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice-President. According to FEC Regulations § 110.7(b)(2)(ii)(5), such expenditures shall not constitute the making of a contribution or expenditure to a Federal candidate as long as the expenditure does not exceed \$1,000 per such committee. And such expenditures shall not count toward the limits of Section 110.7(a), (b)(1) and (b)(2).

Further, the FEC Regulations § 110.7(b)(2)(ii)(4), states that party committees may not make independent expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of candidates for Federal office.

Questions

Because there does not appear to be provisions in the Act regarding these types of expenditures, and because the FEC Regulations were not promulgated until after the dates on which these expenditures were made, there are several questions regarding the method by which this matter should be handled.

Were such expenditures permitted under relevant law at the time the expenditures were made? If yes, under what provisions? If no, should this matter be directed to your attention for your consideration and action, as deemed appropriate and necessary?

If such expenditures were not permitted under relevant law at the time the expenditures were made, and if the matter should not, or not yet, be directed to your attention, what clarification should this Division request of the committee, and at what point, if any, should the matter be directed to your attention?

continued

William Oldaker
Bell County Democratic Club, Texas-Possible Violations

And finally, for the information of this Division, are such expenditures permitted under the current relevant laws and regulations? In particular, does the FEC Regulations §110.7(b)(2)(ii)(5) apply to expenditures, the primary purposes of which are to further the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice-President, e.g. in this situation in which the advertisements promoted the candidates of the party for President and Vice-President only?

ADDENDUM(corresponding to Attachment 2)

The Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, Texas, appears to be another case in point with reference to the matters discussed above. The committee was established as a party committee, it made expenditures in excess of \$1,000 to influence the general election campaign of its party's nominee for President, and it does not appear to have been designated as agent by its national party to make expenditures in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 441a(d).

We should appreciate your consideration of the matters set forth herein, as they apply to the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, as well as to the Bell County Democratic Club. If we may be of service to you in your consideration of these matters, please feel free to contact David U. Greevy of the Party Team.

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Itemized Expenditures
Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

(see instructions on back)

ATTACHMENT II
Page of for

LINE NUMBER 20

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

Cameron County Republican Executive Committee

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KDUV Fm
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
57 spot announcements
Oct 30, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-28-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

151.80

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KBOR Radio
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
spot announcements
Oct 30, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-28-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

120.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Brownsville Herald
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
Ads in Brownsville
Herald and Valley Morning Star

Date (month,
day, year)

10-28-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

117.60

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KRIO Radio
500 E Beaumont
McAllen, Texas 78501

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
21 spot announcements
Oct 24, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-29-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

390.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KGBT Radio
Harlingen Texas 78552

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
20 spot announcements
Oct 30, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-29-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

205.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KBOR Radio
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
Extra charges for
taping spot announcements

Date (month,
day, year)

11-1-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

27.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Brownsville Herald
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
Revised Gilling for
ads purchased 10-28-76

Date (month,
day, year)

11-3-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

25.10

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional).

\$ 1039.50

Total this period (last page this line number only).

\$ 1039.50



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Frank S. Hardin, Treasurer
Cameron County Republican Executive Committee
Post Office Box 2291
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Re: MUR 535 B

Dear Mr. Hardin:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found that your committee, Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically it appears that your committee has violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election campaign of the Republican Party's candidate for President in 1976. We have numbered this matter MUR 535 B.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. 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.

The Commission is under a duty to investigate this matter expeditiously. Therefore, your response should be submitted within ten days after your receipt of this notification.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Susan Donaldson, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4026.



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This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

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THIS IS THE END OF MUR # 535 B





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THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF MUR # 535a



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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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The above-described material was removed from this file pursuant to the following exemption provided in the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552(b):

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| ____ (1) Classified Information | ____ (6) Personal privacy |
| ____ (2) Internal rules and practices | ____ (7) Investigatory files |
| ____ (3) Exempted by other statute | ____ (8) Banking Information |
| ____ (4) Trade secrets and commercial or financial information | ____ (9) Well Information (geographic or geophysical) |
| ____ (5) Internal Documents | |

Signed _____
date _____

FEC 9-21-77



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

April 28, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Alvan N. Wells, Jr., Treasurer
Bell County Democratic Club
3201 Brookbend
Killeen, Texas 76541

Re: MUR 535A

Dear Mr. Wells:

On April 26, 1978, the Commission found no reasonable cause to believe that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5). Accordingly, the Commission has decided to close its file on this matter. A copy of the Commission's certification and the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

Enclosure



CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Alvan W. Wells, Jr., Treasurer
Bell County Democratic Club
3201 Broadbent
Killeen, Texas 76541

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General Counsel

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
Bell County Democratic Club)

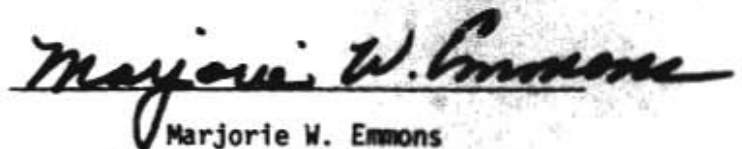
MUR 535A

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on April 26, 1978, the Commission determined by a vote of 6-0 to adopt the recommendation of the General Counsel to take the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Find no reasonable cause to believe that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. Section 110.7(b)(5).
2. Send the letter attached to the General Counsel's Report signed April 18, 1978.
3. Close the file in this matter.

Date: April 27, 1978



Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary to the Commission

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
April 17, 1978

In the Matter of)
) MUR 535A
Bell County Democratic Club)

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

Allegation

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Reports filed by the Bell County Democratic Club indicated that the Club made \$1318.50 in expenditures between October 29, 1976 and November 29, 1976. Most of these expenditures furthered the general election campaigns of the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates of the Democratic Party. It accordingly appeared that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election of the Democratic Party's nominees, including the President and Vice President.

Evidence

The Commission on March 7, 1978, found reason to believe that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5). The Committee responded to the Commission's reason to believe notification on March 21, 1978 (Attachment I). Alvan N. Wells, Jr., Treasurer of the Bell County Democratic Club, broke down the club's expenditures as follows:

\$466.75	Ads in Temple Daily Telegram
\$230.00	Ads in Killeen Daily Herald
(\$130.34)	Less Amount for ads announcing opening of local campaign headquarters, and an ad reminding people to vote.
\$566.41	\$566.41 Total expenditures for ads in support of Carter/Mondale

\$147.00		Radio spots for Carter/Mondale
165.95		Radio spots for Carter/Mondale
<u>112.00</u>		Radio spots for Carter/Mondale
\$424.95	\$424.95	Total radio spots in support of Carter/Mondale

<u>\$991.36</u>	Total expenditures for ads and radio spots in support of Carter/Mondale
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Total expenditures of Bell County Democratic Club

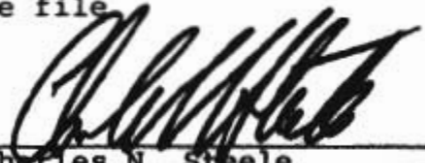
\$991.36	Total expenditures in support of Carter/Mondale
\$130.34	Ads for announcing opening of local campaign headquarters and an ad reminding people to vote
\$196.80	Campaign articles for use in local headquarters (buttons, donkeys, peanuts)

It accordingly appears that the Bell County Democratic Club spent less than \$1000 - \$991.36 - and therefore did not violate 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5).

Recommendation

Find no reasonable cause to believe that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5).
Send attached letter. Close the file.

Date: 18 April 1978


Charles N. Steele
Associate General Counsel

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CERTIFIED MAIL - 694413
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

ATTACHMENT I

3201 Brookbend
Killeen, Texas 76541
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March 21, 1978

Mr. William C. Oldaker
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 535 A

Dear Sir:

I had attempted to contact Mrs. Donaldson as per your letter of March 8, 1978, but due to her illness this past week, I was unable to do so; however, I did talk with Mr. Randy Johnson and am providing you with an up date as to the contents of the reports previously filed with your Commission. Hopefully this additional explanation will explain any question or discrepancy that has come before the Commission.

I would like to ask that the Commission refer to the page listing expenditures in the Bell County Democratic Club's report for verification of the following figures:

<u>Total Expenditures</u>	
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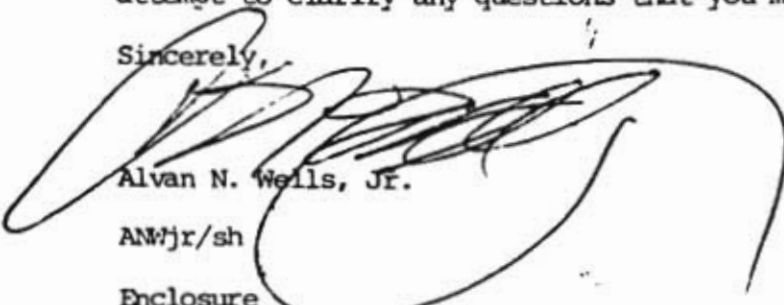
As the above shown expenditures indicate, less than \$1,000.00 was spent in furtherance of the Democratic candidates in the presidential election in 1976.

I certainly hope that this explanation aids the Commission in determining that the Bell County Democratic Club was not in violation of the Act as mentioned in your letter of March 8, 1978. In further explanation, the campaign articles referred to in our report previously filed were purchased to use in our campaign headquarters (Democratic buttons, donkeys and peanuts) and were not expenditures on behalf of individual candidates. That amount was \$196.80. The following figures should correspond with our report previously filed in that \$991.36 was spent in support of the Carter/Mondale election; \$196.80 was spent on the campaign articles for use in our local headquarters and \$130.34 was spent for ads announcing the opening of local campaign headquarters and an ad reminding people to vote. The total of those amounts is \$1,318.50 as reflected in our report.

In closing, I would like to ask that you present these matters to the Commission for consideration in file number MUR-535-A.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter and hopefully you will see that we certainly were attempting to comply with the Act to the best of our ability. If there are any further problems on this matter, please do not hesitate to call on me as I will certainly attempt to clarify any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,


Alvan N. Wells, Jr.

ANWjr/sh

Enclosure

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P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

No. 2

Oct. 29 1976 88-228
1119

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Temple Daily Telegram

DOLLARS

For [unclear] [unclear]

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
BELTON, TEXAS 77913

W. A. Messer, III
00000046675

Ivan Wells, Campaign Treas.
00000046675

Bell Co. Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

Oct. 29 1976 88-228
1119

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Killeen Daily Herald

\$230.00

Two Hundred Thirty Dollars

DOLLARS

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
BELTON, TEXAS 77913

W. A. Messer, III
00000023000

Ivan Wells, Campaign Treas.
00000023000

Bell Co. Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

No. 3

10-29 1976 88-228
1119

PAY TO THE ORDER OF KTON Radio

\$147.00

One Hundred Forty Seven Dollars

DOLLARS

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
BELTON, TEXAS 77913

W. A. Messer, III
00000014700

Ivan Wells, Campaign Treas.
00000014700

I received cash
Explanation of conditions

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3201 Brookbend
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General Counsel

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FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION

3201 Brookland
Killeen, Texas 76541

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NO C 3065

March 21, 1978

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

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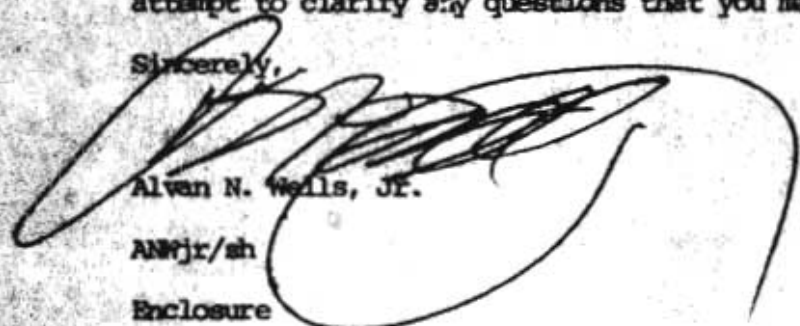
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Alvan N. Wells, Jr.

ANWjr/sh

Enclosure

Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

No. 2

Oct. 29 19 76 88-228 1119

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Temple Daily Telegram

For \$466.75

88-228 BELTON TEXAS 88-228

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
W. A. Messer, III

Alvan Wells, Campaign Treas.

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Bell Co. Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

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Oct. 29 19 76 88-228 1119

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Killeen Daily Herald

Two Hundred Thirty Dollars

88-228 BELTON TEXAS 88-228

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
W. A. Messer, III

Alvan Wells, Campaign Treas.

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Bell Co. Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

No. 3

Oct. 29 19 76 88-228 1119

PAY TO THE ORDER OF KTON Radio

One Hundred Forty Seven Dollars

88-228 BELTON TEXAS 88-228

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
W. A. Messer, III

Alvan Wells, Campaign Treas.

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Bell Co. Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF

One Hundred Sixty Five Dollars

88-228 BELTON TEXAS 88-228

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
W. A. Messer, III

Alvan Wells, Campaign Treas.

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see all letters of 3-21-78 for
plan of expenditures

Democratic Club
P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

No. 2

Oct. 29

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Temple Daily Telegram

For *Handwritten*

88-228 BELTON TEXAS 88-228



PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK
BELTON, TEXAS 76513

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P. O. Box #702
Belton, Texas

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PAY TO THE
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Two Hundred Thirty

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Please see letter of 3-21-78 for
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BELTON, TEXAS 76513

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Belton, Texas

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

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10/29

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Mr. Alvan N. Wells, Jr.
3201 Brookbend
Killeen, Texas 76541

CERTIFIED

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MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED



Mr. William C. Oldaker
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

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FEDERAL ELECTION



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 8, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Alva W. Wells, Jr., Treasurer
Bell County Democratic Club
3201 Brookbend
Killeen, Texas 76541

Re: MUR 535 A

Dear Mr. Wells:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found that your committee, Bell County Democratic Club, may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically it appears that your committee may have violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election of the Democratic Party's candidates for President and Vice President in 1976. We have numbered this MUR 535 A.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. 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.

The Commission is under a duty to investigate this matter expeditiously. Therefore, your response should be submitted within ten days after your receipt of this notification.

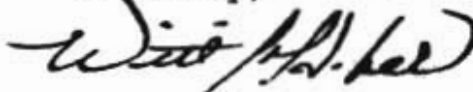
If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Susan Donaldson, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4026.



This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,



William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Bell County Democratic Club

MJR 535A (78)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on March 7, 1978, the Commission approved the recommendations of the General Counsel to find reason to believe that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election of the Democratic Party's candidates for President and Vice President, and send the letter attached to the First General Counsel's Report.

Date:

3-7-78

Marjorie W. Emmons

Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary to the Commission

Date of Report:

March 3, 1978

Received in Commission Secretary's Office:

March 3, 1978, 5:59

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Method of Circulation:

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March 1, 1978

MEMORANDUM TO: Marge Evans
FROM: Melissa T. Carr
SUBJECT: MUA 5152

Please have the attached 7 day report on MUA 5152
distributed to the Commission on a 24 hour no-objection
basis.

Thank you.

FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO THE COMMISSION MAR 3 1978

MUR NO. 535 A
DATE COMPLAINT RECEIVED
BY OGC February 10, 1978
STAFF
MEMBER Donaldson

COMPLAINANT'S NAME: Referred from Reports Analysis

RESPONDENT'S NAME: Bell County Democratic Club

RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. §441a(d)
11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED: Bell County Democratic Club
Democratic (Texas) Party
Democratic National Committee

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED:
N/A

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS

The Reports Analysis Division referred the Bell County Democratic Club to the Office of General Counsel on February 10, 1978 (Attachment I). Reports Analysis has questioned whether expenditures made by the Club were permitted by 2 U.S.C. §441a(d) or 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5).

PRELIMINARY LEGAL ANALYSIS

A review of the Bell County Democratic Club reports filed with the Commission indicate that the Club made \$1318.50 in expenditures between October 29, 1976 and November 29, 1976, a majority of which furthered the general election campaigns of the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates of the Democratic Party (Attachment II).

11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) states that "Any expenditure by a .. county committee of a political party.. that furthers the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice President shall not constitute the making of a contribution or expenditure to a Federal candidate as long as the expenditures do not exceed \$1000 per such committee." There is no provision in the Act or the Regulations permitting a county committee of a political party to expend over \$1000 to further the general election of a Party's candidates for President and Vice President unless they are designated agents of the national committee as provided for in 11 C.F.R. §110.7(a)(4). The Bell County Democratic Club was not a designated agent of the Democratic National Committee in 1976.

RECOMMENDATION

Find reason to believe that the Bell County Democratic Club violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election of the Democratic Party's candidates for President and Vice President. Send attached letter.

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ATTACHMENT I



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

125 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 10, 1978

MEMORANDUM

TO: WILLIAM OLDAKER, OGC

ATTN: RANDALL JOHNSON

THROUGH: ORLANDO B. POTTER *OBP*
LOIS ZELLA

FROM: IRENE ALLEN *ja*

SUBJECT: BELL COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB, TEXAS-POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS

During the review of a report submitted by the Bell County Democratic Club, a problem surfaced which will require a clarification from the Office of General Counsel before it can be resolved. We should appreciate your consideration of the matter set forth herein, and your advice as to the method by which this problem should be handled.

Reporting History of Committee

1. Committee filed a new Statement of Organization on 10/29/76. This document stated that the committee was a county(Bell) committee of the Democratic(Texas) Party. The document listed no affiliation.
2. Committee filed, on State forms, a Report of Receipts and Expenditures on 8/22/77. This report was filed in response to a non-filer mailgram for the July 10 Quarterly Report. The report covered 10/24/76-11/27/76, and it provided little information.
3. Dorothy Riley spoke with treasurer of the committee on 8/25/77, requesting a report for such periods as necessary, to be filed on FEC Form 3.
4. Committee filed on 11/18/77 a copy of the original Statement of Organization which had been filed on 10/29/76. (Copy attached)
5. Committee filed on 11/18/77 a Report of Receipts and Expenditures on FEC Form 3, which covered the following periods. (Copy attached)
 - "Sept. 24-Oct. 23"
 - "Oct. 24-Nov. 27"
 - "Nov. 28-Present"



William Oldaker
Bell County Democratic Club, Texas-Possible violations

From the information presented in this latter Report, it appears that the committee made expenditures, apparently not in excess of \$1,000, for newspaper advertisements which furthered the general election campaigns of only the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates of the party. Further, it appears that the committee made these expenditures under the assumption that it was making independent expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of the party's candidates for President and Vice-President. There has been no indication to date that the committee made such expenditures as the designated agent of the national committee of the political party.

The Act and the FEC Regulations

The Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, and the FEC Regulations appear to permit expenditures by a county committee of a political party, in connection with the general election campaign of a Presidential candidate only under the following conditions.

1. The national committee of the political party designates the county committee as agent to make such expenditures under the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 441a(d); or
2. The county committee makes such expenditures, the primary purposes of which are to further the general election campaign of that party's nominee or nominees, that also further the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice-President. According to FEC Regulations § 110.7(b)(2)(ii)(5), such expenditures shall not constitute the making of a contribution or expenditure to a Federal candidate as long as the expenditure does not exceed \$1,000 per such committee. And such expenditures shall not count toward the limits of Section 110.7(a), (b)(1) and (b)(2).

Further, the FEC Regulations § 110.7(b)(2)(ii)(4), states that party committees may not make independent expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of candidates for Federal office.

Questions

Because there does not appear to be provisions in the Act regarding these types of expenditures, and because the FEC Regulations were not promulgated until after the dates on which these expenditures were made, there are several questions regarding the method by which this matter should be handled.

Were such expenditures permitted under relevant law at the time the expenditures were made? If yes, under what provisions? If no, should this matter be directed to your attention for your consideration and action, as deemed appropriate and necessary?

If such expenditures were not permitted under relevant law at the time the expenditures were made, and if the matter should not, or not yet, be directed to your attention, what clarification should this Division request of the committee, and at what point, if any, should the matter be directed to your attention?

continued

William Oldaker
Bell County Democratic Club, Texas-Possible Violations

And finally, for the information of this Division, are such expenditures permitted under the current relevant laws and regulations? In particular, does the FEC Regulations §110.7(b)(2)(ii)(5) apply to expenditures, the primary purposes of which are to further the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice-President, e.g. in this situation in which the advertisements promoted the candidates of the party for President and Vice-President only?

ADDENDUM(corresponding to Attachment 2)

The Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, Texas, appears to be another case in point with reference to the matters discussed above. The committee was established as a party committee, it made expenditures in excess of \$1,000 to influence the general election campaign of its party's nominee for President, and it does not appear to have been designated as agent by its national party to make expenditures in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 441a(d).

We should appreciate your consideration of the matters set forth herein, as they apply to the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, as well as to the Bell County Democratic Club. If we may be of service to you in your consideration of these matters, please feel free to contact David U. Greevy of the Party Team.

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Report of Receipts and Expenditure
for a Candidate or Committee
Supporting any Candidate(s) for
Nomination or Election to Federal Office

Note: Committees authorized by a candidate to receive contributions and make expenditures in connection with more than one election must maintain separate records with respect to each election.

1(a) Name of Candidate or Committee (in full) ☐ Check if name or address is changed Bell Co. Democratic Club	2 Identification Number
(b) Address (number and street) 306 E. Central (P.O. Box 702)	3(a) Is this a report of receipts and expenditures for only one election? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(c) City, State and ZIP code Edinburg, Tex	(b) If "Yes," for which election? _____ on _____ (date) (general, primary, runoff)

4 Type of Report (Check appropriate box and complete, if applicable)	(a) ☐ January 31 Year End Report
(a) ☐ Amendment For _____ (Which report?)	(f) ☐ Monthly Report _____ (Month)
(b) ☐ April 10 Quarterly Report	(g) ☐ Termination Report
(c) ☐ July 10 Quarterly Report	(h) ☐ October 10 Quarterly Report
(d) ☐ Tenth day report preceding _____ election on _____ (primary, general or convention)	(i) ☐ Thirtieth day report following _____ election on _____ (primary, general or convention)
Period Covered Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 Oct. 24 - Nov. 27 Nov. 28 - Present	

Candidate or Committee Summary of Receipts and Expenditures

5 Covering Period: From _____ Through _____

Section A - Cash Balance Summary	Column A This Period	Column B Calendar Year-To-Date
Cash on hand January 1, 1977	\$31.50	
Cash on hand at beginning of reporting period	\$	
Total receipts (from line 19)	\$1,350.00	
(a) Subtotal (Add lines 7 and 8)	\$	
Total expenditures (From line 25)	\$1,318.50	
Cash on hand at close of reporting period (Subtract line 9 from line 8)	\$	
Contributed items on hand to be liquidated (attach itemized list)	\$31.50	

Section B - Presidential Campaign Expenditures Subject to Limitation - Summary (To Be Used Only By Presidential Candidates Receiving Federal Funds)	Column A This Period	Column B Calendar Year-To-Date
12 Operating expenditures (from line 20)	\$	\$
13 Refunds and Rebates (from line 17)	\$	\$
14 (a) Expenditures subject to limitation (Subtract line 13 from line 12)	\$	\$
(b) Expenditures from prior years subject to limitation		\$
(c) Total expenditures subject to limitation (Add lines 14a and 14b)		\$

I certify that I have examined this Report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.
Alvan N. Wells Jr. (Typed Name of Treasurer or Candidate) **[Signature]** (Signature of Treasurer or Candidate) **11/18/77** (Date)

Note: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. § 437g or § 441 (See reverse side of form)

For further
information
Contact:

Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Any information reported herein may not be copied for sale or use by any person for purposes of soliciting contributions or for any commercial purpose.

Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

(see instructions on back)

LINE NUMBER

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

Bell Co. Democratic Club

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Killeen Daily Herald
2nd Floor, A. Killeen, Tex. 76541

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol. Ad.
(See Attached Ads.)

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

\$230.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Temple Daily Telegram
118 W. Ave A
Temple, Texas 76501

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol Ad.
(See Attached Ads.)

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

\$466.75

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

K-Ton Radio
Taylors Valley Rd.
Belton, Tex. 76513

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol. Ad.

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

147.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

K-Ton Radio
303 N. Main
Temple, Tex. 76501

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol Ad.

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

165.95

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

K-Ton Radio
Taylors Valley Rd.
Belton, Texas 76513

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol Ad

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

\$112.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Newspapers
See Attached Ads

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

G.A. Williams Co. 76101
5201 Camp Bowie Ft. Worth, Tex.

Purpose of Expenditure

Prints Appeared at Cost
Camp. Articles
Peanuts

Date (month, day, year)

11/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

132.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Democratic Victory Fund
Marion K. Rigg
214 Dwyer
Suite 206
Fort Worth, Texas 76212

Purpose of Expenditure

Camp. Articles
Peanuts

Date (month, day, year)

11/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

64.80

Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional).

Total this period (last page this line number only).

\$1,318.50

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Killeen Daily Herald 733.32

Killeen Herald

11-1-76

There's no reason why our government can't be concerned with our needs.

For the past eight years, our government has turned its back on the American people. A political and economic elite have shaped decisions and never had to account for mistakes nor suffer from injustice. The test of any government is not how popular it is with the powerful, but how honestly and fairly it deals with the many who must depend on it. We must have a government that recognizes and alleviates our needs in health care, education, housing, unemployment, aid to the elderly, environmental protection, and others. With Jimmy Carter as our President, those needs will be met with compassion and respect.



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Paid for and authorized by the Bell County Democratic Club, Allen Webb, Treasurer, Killeen, Tex.

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Kellam Herald

11-1-76

Jimmy Carter and a Democratic Administration are pledged to bring about the changes we need:

THE ECONOMY: To get the economy moving again by providing a job for every American who wants to work and by bringing inflation under control.

ENERGY: To establish a coherent energy policy, and to increase emphasis on coal production and increased research on renewable sources of energy such as solar, wind and geothermal. To lead in directing a voluntary conservation program.

WELFARE REFORM: To establish a streamlined, simplified welfare system with strong work incentives that promote family stability. To take those able to work out of the system and provide them job training and a job. To give those who cannot work because of age or disability nationwide, fairly uniform benefits varying only according to the cost of living from area to area.

ENVIRONMENT: To maintain strong environmental protection laws. To protect against relaxation of our current standards for air quality, water quality or automotive emissions. To preserve the natural heritage of America, and to turn over to future generations a country that is environmentally sound.

EDUCATION: To increase the federal share of the total cost of education. To assure that the average American family can afford to send their children to college.

AGRICULTURE: To develop an agriculture policy which insures farmers a predictable and fair return for their labor, yet is fair to the American consumer. To avoid the Republican policy of embargoes on farm products, and aggressively develop our export markets abroad.

TAX REFORM: To move toward a truly progressive and simplified tax system, with reduced tax rates for the average American.



THE ELDERLY: To recognize that the elderly constitute one of our most precious resources. To insure adequate income upon retirement; to increase housing for the elderly. To relax mandatory retirement laws. To work for subsidies for reduced fare on public transportation for the elderly.

HEALTH CARE: To establish a comprehensive national health program which will make adequate health care a right for all people, be uniform in scope, and preserve the private relationship between doctor and patient.

DEFENSE: To guarantee the security of our nation—a guarantee of freedom from the threat of successful attack or blackmail and the ability with our allies to maintain peace.



FOREIGN POLICY: To stop treating our allies as if they were our adversaries. To make it clear that detente is a two-way street. To promote human rights abroad and to deal affirmatively with the social and economic problems of the developing world. To make our total commitment to the security of Israel as a Jewish state absolutely clear.

REORGANIZATION: To reorganize completely the executive branch of government, making it fair, efficient, effective and responsive to our people's needs.

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Killeen Herald

10-31-76

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America is at the brink of a new opportunity. Even after the sobering events of recent years we have reason for inspiration and hope. For throughout our history, our nation has been sustained by two factors: the inherent greatness of the American people, and a system of government that has now endured for 200 years.

We can look forward to a government that's open and responsive once again. A government that's concerned with the needs of all, not just a few. A government that operates efficiently and effectively. We have the desire and the knowledge to achieve these goals. All we lack is executive leadership with vision and compassion and ability to direct us. That leadership will come from Democrats Jimmy Carter and Walter Mondale.



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Sold for and authorized by the Bell County
Democratic Club, Alton Walls, Treasurer, Killeen, Tex.

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Killian Teresa

10-21-76

Can we afford four more years without effective leadership?

There is a critical decision to be made on November 2nd. It goes far beyond the question of which Presidential candidate can govern with integrity and honesty. We must determine which candidate has the ability and strength to lead our country out of economic chaos, and the vision to see that all Americans—not just the powerful and influential—have a better future.

During the past two years, the middle class has paid for too dear a price for a President lacking that ability.

Since Gerald Ford took office, the unemployment rate has risen 50%, from 5.5% or 5 million people, to 7.9% or 7-1/2 million jobless Americans.

Today's inflation rate of 6% is higher than it was at any time between the

Korean War and the inauguration of Richard Nixon.

The 1968 food dollar is now worth 57¢.

Mr. Ford's budget will account for the largest single deficit and more than 1/3 of the public debt incurred during our entire 200-year history.

Real GNP has actually declined during each of Gerald Ford's two years in office.

And who is most affected by these distressing statistics? Not the Washington establishment, or the economic elite courted by the Republicans. The burden falls on the person who can least afford it: the average American.

Jimmy Carter means to change all that. As President, he will make government responsive to your needs.

Tax Reform: "The average family in this country that makes less than \$10,000 a year actually pays a higher proportion of their income in taxes than the average family that makes more than a million dollars a year. That's disgraceful. We need to move toward a truly progressive and simplified tax system, with reduced tax rates for the average American."

Economy: "We'll never have a balanced budget nor an end to the inflationary problems as long as we have 7-1/2 million people out of work. Employment needs to be the major thrust of the whole domestic policy of our government."

Efficiency in Government: "We now have in the

federal government the most bloated, confused, wasteful bureaucracy ever created. There's no way to get an answer out of Washington and no way to understand what's going on there. We need to reorganize completely the executive branch of government, making it fair, efficient, effective, and responsive to our people's needs."

Housing: "No government that cared about our neighborhoods would stack the tax deck against them. A landlord can let a building run down and make a good living on tax breaks. But when a home owner spends a little hard-earned money fixing up his home, the assessor raises his taxes. And the FHA no longer

cares about families getting started in their own homes. I intend to restore the FHA to the time when, for a down payment, a family could get a mortgage which the government would insure. **Health Care:** "We need a nationwide health care delivery system which will make adequate health care a right for all people."

Jimmy Carter has the strength to take charge of our government. If you are tired of paying the high price of Republican ineffectiveness, you have only one choice on November 2nd, and that choice is for change.



Printed and authorized by the Bull County Democratic Club, Allen Mills, Treasurer, Bull County, Ga.

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Killian Donald

10-31-76

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We stand at a turning point. At the dawn of our nation's third century, this year's election could very well be the most important in our history. It can determine whether the United States will go forward to right its wrongs, establish justice, and once again have a government of, by, and for the people. It all depends on you. You can help to restore Democratic leadership and sensitive direction to this country.

ON
TUESDAY
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2ND

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Can we afford for Mr. Ford to want without effective leadership?

There is a critical decision to be made on November 2nd. It does far beyond the question of which Presidential candidate can govern with integrity and honesty. We must determine which candidate has the ability and strength to lead our country out of economic chaos, and the vision to see that all Americans—not just the powerful and influential—have a better future.

During the past two years, the middle class has paid far too dear a price for a President lacking that ability.

Since Gerald Ford took office, the unemployment rate has risen 50%, from 5.5% or 5 million people, to 7.9% or 7-1/2 million jobless Americans.

Today's inflation rate of 6% is higher than it was at any time between the

Korean War and the inauguration of Richard Nixon.

The 1968 food dollar is now worth 57¢.

Mr. Ford's budget will account for the largest single deficit and more than 1/3 of the public debt incurred during our entire 200-year history.

Real GNP has actually declined during each of Gerald Ford's two years in office.

And who is most affected by these distressing statistics? Not the Washington establishment, or the economic elite courted by the Republicans. The burden falls on the person who can least afford it: the average American.

Jimmy Carter means to change all that. As President, he will make government responsive to your needs.

Tax Reform: The average family in this country that makes less than \$10,000 a year actually pays a higher proportion of their income in taxes than the average family that makes more than a million dollars a year. That's disgraceful. We need to move toward a truly progressive and simplified tax system, with reduced tax rates for the average American.

Economy: "We'll never have a balanced budget nor an end to the inflationary problems as long as we have 7-1/2 million people out of work. Employment needs to be the major thrust of the whole domestic policy of our government."

Efficiency in Government: "We now have in the

federal government the most bloated, confused, wasteful bureaucracy ever created. There's no way to get an answer out of Washington and no way to understand what's going on there. We need to reorganize completely the executive branch of government, making it fair, efficient, effective, and responsive to our people's needs."

Housing: "No government that cared about our neighborhoods would stack the tax deck against them. A landlord can let a building run down and make a good living on tax breaks. But when a home owner spends a little hard-earned money fixing up his home, the assessor raises his taxes. And the FHA no longer

cares about families getting started in their own homes. I intend to restore the FHA to the time when, for a down payment, a family could get a mortgage which the government would insure."
Health Care: "We need a nationwide health care delivery system which will make adequate health care a right for all people."

Jimmy Carter has the strength to take charge of our government. If you are tired of paying the high price of Republican ineffectiveness, you have only one choice on November 2nd, and that choice is for change.



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Simple. Slogan

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Jimmy Carter and a Democratic Administration are pledged to bring about the changes we need:

THE ECONOMY: To get the economy moving again by providing a job for every American who wants to work and by bringing inflation under control.

ENERGY: To establish a coherent energy policy, and to increase emphasis on coal production and increased research on renewable sources of energy such as solar, wind and geothermal. To lead in directing a voluntary conservation program.

WELFARE REFORM: To establish a streamlined, simplified welfare system with strong work incentives that promote family stability. To take those able to work out of the system and provide them job training and a job. To give those who cannot work because of age or disability nationwide, fairly uniform benefits varying only according to the cost of living from area to area.

ENVIRONMENT: To maintain strong environmental protection laws. To protect against relaxation of our current standards for air quality, water quality or automotive emissions. To preserve the natural heritage of America, and to turn over to future generations a country that is environmentally sound.

EDUCATION: To increase the federal share of the total cost of education. To assure that the average American family can afford to send their children to college.

AGRICULTURE: To develop an agriculture policy which insures farmers a predictable and fair return for their labor, yet is fair to the American consumer. To avoid the Republican policy of embargoes on farm products, and aggressively develop our export markets abroad.

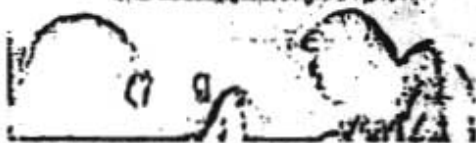
TAX REFORM: To move toward a truly progressive and simplified tax system, with reduced tax rates for the average American.



THE ELDERLY: To recognize that the elderly constitute one of our most precious resources. To insure adequate income upon retirement; to increase housing for the elderly. To relax mandatory retirement laws. To work for subsidies for reduced fare on public transportation for the elderly.

HEALTH CARE: To establish a comprehensive national health program which will make adequate health care a right for all people, be uniform in scope, and preserve the private relationship between doctor and patient.

DEFENSE: To guarantee the security of our nation — a guarantee of freedom from the threat of successful attack or blackmail and the ability with our allies to maintain peace.



FOREIGN POLICY: To stop treating our allies as if they were our adversaries. To make it clear that detente is a two-way street. To promote human rights abroad and to deal affirmatively with the social and economic problems of the developing world. To make our total commitment to the security of Israel as a Jewish state absolutely clear.

REORGANIZATION: To reorganize completely the executive branch of government, making it fair, efficient, effective and responsive to our people's needs.

Temple Telegram

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Simple Telegram - 10-31-76

We stand at a turning point. At the dawn of our nation's third century, this year's election could very well be the most important in our history. It can determine whether the United States will go forward to right its wrongs, establish justice, and once again have a government of, by, and for the people. It all depends on you. You can help to restore Democratic leadership and sensitive direction to this country.

**ON
TUESDAY
NOVEMBER**

2ND

**VOTE
FOR A
CHANGE.**

**VOTE FOR
JIMMY
CARTER
AND
WALTER
MONDALE**

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Alvan N. Wells, Jr., Treasurer
Bell County Democratic Club
3201 Brookbend
Killeen, Texas 76541

Re: MUR 535 A

Dear Mr. Wells:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found that your committee, Bell County Democratic Club, may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically it appears that your committee may have violated 11 C.F.R. §110.7(b)(5) by making expenditures in excess of \$1000 to further the general election of the Democratic Party's candidates for President and Vice President in 1976. We have numbered this MUR 535 A.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. 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.

The Commission is under a duty to investigate this matter expeditiously. Therefore, your response should be submitted within ten days after your receipt of this notification.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Susan Donaldson, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4026.



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This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

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MUR 535



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 10, 1978

MEMORANDUM

TO: WILLIAM OLDAKER, OGC

ATTN: RANDALL JOHNSON

THROUGH: ORLANDO B. POTTER *OPB*
LOIS ZELLA

FROM: IRENE ALLEN *Ja*

SUBJECT: BELL COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB, TEXAS-POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS

During the review of a report submitted by the Bell County Democratic Club, a problem surfaced which will require a clarification from the Office of General Counsel before it can be resolved. We should appreciate your consideration of the matter set forth herein, and your advice as to the method by which this problem should be handled.

Reporting History of Committee

1. Committee filed a new Statement of Organization on 10/29/76. This document stated that the committee was a county (Bell) committee of the Democratic (Texas) Party. The document listed no affiliation.
2. Committee filed, on State forms, a Report of Receipts and Expenditures on 8/22/77. This report was filed in response to a non-filer mailgram for the July 10 Quarterly Report. The report covered 10/24/76-11/27/76, and it provided little information.
3. Dorothy Riley spoke with treasurer of the committee on 8/25/77, requesting a report for such periods as necessary, to be filed on FEC Form 3.
4. Committee filed on 11/18/77 a copy of the original Statement of Organization which had been filed on 10/29/76. (Copy attached)
5. Committee filed on 11/18/77 a Report of Receipts and Expenditures, on FEC Form 3, which covered the following periods. (Copy attached)
 - "Sept. 24-Oct. 23"
 - "Oct. 24-Nov. 27"
 - "Nov. 28-Present"



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From the information presented in this latter Report, it appears that the committee made expenditures, apparently not in excess of \$1,000, for newspaper advertisements which furthered the general election campaigns of only the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates of the party. Further, it appears that the committee made these expenditures under the assumption that it was making independent expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of the party's candidates for President and Vice-President. There has been no indication to date that the committee made such expenditures as the designated agent of the national committee of the political party.

The Act and the FEC Regulations

The Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, and the FEC Regulations appear to permit expenditures by a county committee of a political party, in connection with the general election campaign of a Presidential candidate only under the following conditions.

1. The national committee of the political party designates the county committee as agent to make such expenditures under the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 441a(d); or
2. The county committee makes such expenditures, the primary purposes of which are to further the general election campaign of that party's nominee or nominees, that also further the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice-President. According to FEC Regulations § 110.7(b)(2)(ii)(5), such expenditures shall not constitute the making of a contribution or expenditure to a Federal candidate as long as the expenditure does not exceed \$1,000 per such committee. And such expenditures shall not count toward the limits of Section 110.7(a), (b)(1) and (b)(2).

Further, the FEC Regulations § 110.7(b)(2)(ii)(4), states that party committees may not make independent expenditures in connection with the general election campaign of candidates for Federal office.

Questions

Because there does not appear to be provisions in the Act regarding these types of expenditures, and because the FEC Regulations were not promulgated until after the dates on which these expenditures were made, there are several questions regarding the method by which this matter should be handled.

Were such expenditures permitted under relevant law at the time the expenditures were made? If yes, under what provisions? If no, should this matter be directed to your attention for your consideration and action, as deemed appropriate and necessary?

If such expenditures were not permitted under relevant law at the time the expenditures were made, and if the matter should not, or not yet, be directed to your attention, what clarification should this Division request of the committee, and at what point, if any, should the matter be directed to your attention?

continued

William Oldaker
Bell County Democratic Club, Texas-Possible Violations

And finally, for the information of this Division, are such expenditures permitted under the current relevant laws and regulations? In particular, does the FEC Regulations §110.7(b)(2)(ii)(5) apply to expenditures, the primary purposes of which are to further the general election campaign of that party's candidates for President and Vice-President, e.g. in this situation in which the advertisements promoted the candidates of the party for President and Vice-President only?

ADDENDUM(corresponding to Attachment 2)

The Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, Texas, appears to be another case in point with reference to the matters discussed above. The committee was established as a party committee, it made expenditures in excess of \$1,000 to influence the general election campaign of its party's nominee for President, and it does not appear to have been designated as agent by its national party to make expenditures in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 441a(d).

We should appreciate your consideration of the matters set forth herein, as they apply to the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee, as well as to the Bell County Democratic Club. If we may be of service to you in your consideration of these matters, please feel free to contact David U. Greevy of the Party Team.

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Note: Committees authorized by a candidate to receive contributions and make expenditures in connection with more than one election must maintain separate records with respect to each election. Not authorized by any specific Democratic Candidate.

1(a) Name of Committee (in full) ☐ Check if name or address is changed Bell County Democratic Club	2 Identification Number 77 NOV 21 PM 12:05 (Application Pending)
(b) Address (number and street) 3201 Brookbend	3 Date 10/20/76
(c) City, State and ZIP code Killeen, Texas 76541	4 Is this an amended statement ☐ Yes ☒ No If "YES" FILL IN ONLY THOSE LINES ON WHICH THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE

5 Check one:

- ☐ (a) This committee has been designated as the principal campaign committee for _____ not applicable
 a candidate for _____ not applicable in the _____ not applicable Election
 (Federal office sought) (Year of election)
 to be held in the State of _____
 (State in which election is held)

(THE PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE WILL FORWARD TO THE COMMISSION A COPY OF THE STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FOR EACH AFFILIATED COMMITTEE REQUIRED TO FILE WITH IT.)

- ☐ (b) This committee is supporting only one candidate, and is authorized by _____ not applicable
 (Name of Candidate)
 to receive contributions and make expenditures with respect to the _____ not applicable Election
 (General, Primary, Runoff, etc.)
 held in _____ not applicable, and will file all reports and statements with the candidate's principal campaign committee.
 (Year of election in State)
 _____ not applicable
 (Full name of principal campaign committee)

(ATTACH A COPY OF CANDIDATE'S WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION.) (FEC FORM 2a)

- ☐ (c) This committee supports only one candidate _____ not applicable but is not an authorized committee.
 (Name of Candidate)
☐ (d) This committee supports more than one Federal candidate and is not a party committee.
☐ (e) This committee is a _____ county (Bell) committee of the _____ Democratic (Texas) Party.
 (National, State, county, city) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)

Names of affiliated and/or connected organizations	Mailing address and ZIP code	Relationship
not applicable	not applicable	not applicable

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

- ☐ Corporation ☒ Labor organization ☐ Membership organization ☐ Trade association ☒ Cooperative
☐ Corporation without capital stock ☒ Other (please specify)

Submit additional information on separate continuation sheets appropriately labeled and attached to this Statement of Organization. Indicate in the appropriate section above when information is continued on separate page(s).

Name of Committee

7 Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of Committee:

- (a) Will this committee operate in more than one State? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 (b) Will it operate on a statewide basis in one State? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 (c) Will it primarily support candidates seeking State or local office? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 (d) Will it support or does it anticipate supporting directly or indirectly, candidates for Federal office in excess of \$1,000 in a calendar year? ☐ Yes ☒ No

8 (a) List by name, address, office sought, and party affiliation, any candidates for Federal office that this committee is supporting:

Full name(s) of candidate(s)	Mailing address and ZIP code	Office sought	Party

List by name, address, office sought, and party affiliation, any candidate(s) for any other public office(s) that this committee is supporting (unless the committee is supporting the entire ticket of a party as indicated in line 9)

Full name(s) of candidate(s)	Mailing address and ZIP code	Office sought	Party
Supporting entire Democratic ticket at Federal, State and Local levels.			

9 If this committee is supporting the entire ticket of a party, give name of party ☒ Democratic

10 Identify by name, address and position, the person in possession of committee books and records:

Full name	Mailing address and ZIP code	Title or position
1. Vada Sutton	Box 702; Belton, Texas 76513	Bell County Democratic Party Chairman
2. Alvan H. Wells, Jr.	3201 Brookbend; Killeen, Tx. 76541	Past Pres. Bell County Democratic Treasurer (Campaign)

Submit additional information on separate continuation sheets appropriately labeled and attached to this Statement of Organization. Indicate in the appropriate section above when information is continued on separate page(s).

Name of Committee

Bell County Democratic Club

11 List by name, address and position, other principal officers of the committee (include chairman, treasurer, secretary, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary, members of finance committee):

Full name	Mailing address and ZIP code	Title or position
W. A. Messer, III	508 E. 12th Street; Belton, Tx. 76513	President
Mrs. Jamie Clements	2644 Marlandwood Circle; Temple, Tx. 76501	Vice-President
Connally Neal	1922 S. 41st. St.; Temple, Tx. Tx. 76501	Secretary
Alvan N. Wells, Jr.	3201 Brookbend; Killeen, Tx. Tx. 76541	Treasurer

12 Does this committee plan to stay in existence beyond the current calendar year? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" for how long? indefinite

13 In the event of dissolution, what disposition will be made of residual funds? not applicable

14 List all banks or other repositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds:

Name of bank, repository, etc.	Mailing address and ZIP code
Peoples National Bank	Peoples National Bank 313 E. Central Belton, Texas 76513

15 List all election reports required to be filed by this committee with States and local jurisdictions, together with the names, addresses, and positions of the recipients of the reports (other than reports filed with Secretaries of State pursuant to USC 429(a)):

Report title	Dates required	Name and position of recipient	Mailing address and ZIP code
Contribution and Expenditure Statement of General Purpose Committee (Texas)	7 days prior to election 30 days after election	Mark White	Secretary of State Capital Station Austin, Texas

Submit additional information on separate continuation sheets appropriately labeled and attached to this Statement of Organization, indicate in the appropriate section above when information is continued on separate page(s).

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

ALVAN N. WELLS, JR.

(Signature of Treasurer)

10/28/76

(Date)

Note: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. § 437g or § 441 (see instructions)

For further
information
contact:

Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

LINDLEY, WELLS AND NICHOLS

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

JAMES R. LINDLEY
ALVAN H. WELLS, JR.
GLENN W. NICHOLS

617 N. 5TH STREET, P.O. BOX 21
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201
TELEPHONE (214) 524-7017, 524-2024
FAX (214) 524-7017
FEDERAL MAIL PERMIT NO. 1001
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201

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August 17, 1977

CERTIFIED MAIL - 891911
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Thomas E. Harris
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Bell County Democratic Club

Dear Mr. Harris:

Enclosed you will find copies of all reports of both receipts and expenditures prior to the notice received by me regarding the July 10th filing deadline. We have made no further expenditures nor have we receipted any monies other than those as shown in these two reports. I am certainly sorry that you had not received these documents and that I had not written to you and advised there were no expenditures for the period mentioned.

As to a termination report, the Bell County Democratic Club is presently attempting to be chartered by the Texas Democratic Club but at the present time there will be no further campaign receipts or expenditures. I certainly hope this meets the necessary requirements for your records as to the termination and as to the July 10th reporting date, but if it does not, please do not hesitate to contact me in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

Alvan N. Wells, Jr.

Alvan N. Wells, Jr., Campaign Treasurer, Bell County Demo. Club

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Enclosures

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Mr. Thomas E. Harris
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
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617 N. GIN STREET, P. O. BOX 81
KILGORE, TEXAS 75041
TELEPHONE (817) 344-7911
FAX (817) 344-7911
CABLE 222-0001

November 18, 1977

CERTIFIED MAIL - 512834
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Mr. Thomas E. Harris
Federal Election Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20463

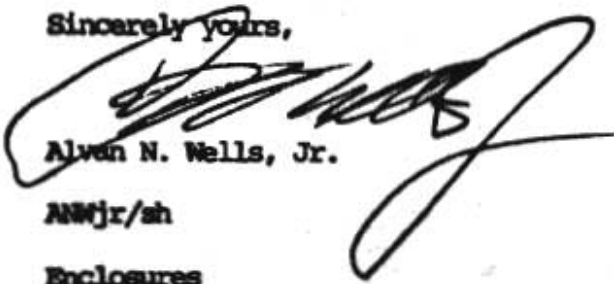
Re: Bell County Democratic Club

Dear Mr. Harris:

As per our recent telephone conversation with Ms. Pamela Brown, enclosed you will find the forms requested for the Bell County Democratic Club. Further enclosed you will find a copy of our Statement of Organization since I did not have an identification number in that regard. Further enclosed you will find a letter sent in August with the report as filed. The difference in the report previously filed and this report amounts to expenditures through the present time. I hope this meets your approval.

If there are further questions or problems in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your consideration and patience in this matter.

Sincerely yours,


Alvan N. Wells, Jr.

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Enclosures

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Report of Receipts and Expenditures
for a Candidate or Committee
Supporting any Candidate(s) for
Nomination or Election to Federal Office

Note: Committees authorized by a candidate to receive contributions and make expenditures in connection with more than one election must maintain separate records with respect to each election.

1(a) Name of Candidate or Committee (in full) ☐ Check if name or address is changed

2 Identification Number

Bell Co. Democratic Club

3(a) Is this a report of receipts and expenditures for only one election? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(b) Address (number and street)
306 E. Central (P.O. Box 702)

(b) If "Yes," for which election?
(general, primary, runoff) on (date)

(c) City, State and ZIP code
Baltimore, Tex

4 Type of Report (Check appropriate box and complete, if applicable)

(e) ☐ January 31 Year End Report

(a) ☐ Amendment For (Which report) (e) ☐ July 10 Quarterly Report

(f) ☐ Monthly Report (Month)

(b) ☐ April 10 Quarterly Report

(h) ☐ Tenth day report preceding election on (date) (primary, general or convention)

(g) ☒ Termination Report

(i) ☐ Thirtieth day report following election on (date) (primary, general or convention)

Period Covered Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Oct. 24 - Nov. 27
Nov. 28 - Present

Candidate or Committee Summary of Receipts and Expenditures

5 Covering Period: From

Through

Section A - Cash Balance Summary

Column A
This Period

Column B
Calendar Year-To-Date

6 Cash on hand January 1, 1977

\$31.50

7 Cash on hand at beginning of reporting period

\$

8 Total receipts (from line 19)

\$1,350.00

(a) Subtotal (Add lines 7 and 8)

\$

9 Total expenditures (From line 25)

\$1,318.50

10 Cash on hand at close of reporting period (Subtract line 9 from line 8)

\$

11 Contributed items on hand to be liquidated (attach itemized list)

\$31.50

Section B - Presidential Campaign Expenditures Subject to Limitation - Summary
(To Be Used Only By Presidential Candidates Receiving Federal Funds)

12 Operating expenditures (from line 20)

\$

13 Refunds and Rebates (from line 17)

\$

14 (a) Expenditures subject to limitation (Subtract line 13 from line 12)

\$

(b) Expenditures from prior years subject to limitation

\$

(c) Total expenditures subject to limitation (Add lines 14a and 14b)

\$

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

Alvan N. Wells Jr.
(Typed Name of Treasurer or Candidate)

(Signature of Treasurer or Candidate)

11/10/77
(Date)

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For further
information
Contact:

Federal Election Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20463

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Detailed Summary Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures (Page 2)

Name of Candidate or Committee		REPORT COVERING THE PERIOD FROM: TO:	
		Column A This Period	Column B Calendar year-to-date
PART I - RECEIPTS			
15 Contributions and other income:			
(a) Itemized (use Schedule A) <i>more than 50.00</i>		\$ 920.00	
(b) Unitemized <i>less than 50.00</i>		\$ 430.00	
(c) Sales and Collections Included Above:			
List by event on memo Schedule D (S _____)			
(d) Subtotal of contributions and other income		\$ 1,350.00	
16 Loans and Loan Repayments Received:			
(a) Itemized (use Schedule A)		\$	
(b) Unitemized		\$	
(c) Subtotal of loans and loan repayments received		\$	
17 Refunds, Rebates, Returns Received:			
(a) Itemized (use Schedule A)		\$	
(b) Unitemized		\$	
(c) Subtotal of refunds, rebates, returns		\$	
18 Transfers In:			
(a) From Affiliated Committee (Itemize on Schedule A Regardless of Amount)		\$	
(b) From other Committees (Itemize on Schedule A Regardless of Amount)		\$	
(c) Subtotal of transfers in		\$	
19 Total Receipts		\$ 1,350.00	
PART II - EXPENDITURES			
20 Operating Expenditures (Committees Not Receiving Federal Funds Include Fundraising, Legal and Accounting Expenditures):			
(a) Itemized (use Schedule B)		\$ 1,318.50	
(b) Unitemized		\$	
(c) Subtotal of operating expenditures		\$	
21 Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)		\$	
22 Loans, Loan Repayments, and Contribution Refunds Made:			
(a) Itemized (use Schedule B)		\$	
(b) Unitemized		\$	
(c) Subtotal of loans and loan repayments made and contribution refunds		\$	
23 For Use Only By Presidential Campaigns Receiving Federal Funds: Exempt Fundraising, Legal and Accounting Expenditures:			
(a) Itemized (use Schedule B)		\$	
(b) Unitemized		\$	
(c) Subtotal of fundraising expenditures		\$	
24 Transfers Out:			
(a) To Affiliated Committee (Itemize on Schedule B Regardless of Amount)		\$	
(b) To Other Committees (Itemize on Schedule B Regardless of Amount)		\$	
(c) Subtotal of transfers out		\$	
25 Total Expenditures		\$ 1,318.50	
PART III - DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS			
26 Debts and obligations owed to the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C)		\$	
27 Debts and obligations owed by the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C)		\$	
PART IV - RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, NET OF TRANSFERS TO AND FROM AFFILIATED COMMITTEES			
28 Total Receipts (from line 19)		\$	
29 Transfers In (from line 18(a))		\$	
30 Net Receipts (Subtract line 29 from line 28)		\$	
31 Total Expenditures (from line 25)		\$	
32 Transfers out (from line 24(a))		\$	
33 Net Expenditures (Subtract line 32 from line 31)		\$	

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Schedule A

July 1976

Federal Election Commission

1325 K Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20463

Contributions, Ticket Purchases, Loans,
Rebates, and Transfers for Line
Numbers 15, 16, 17 and/or 18 of FEC Form 3
(see instructions on back)

Page _____ of _____ for

LINE NUMBER _____

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

Bell Co. Democratic Club

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Bill Courtney P.O. Box #844

Principal place of business

Bourmer, Courtney,
Bullock & Rembert Law Firm
Temple, Tex

Occupation

Attorney

☒ Check if Contributor is self-employed

Aggregate Year-to-date \$

Date (month,
day, year)

10/20/76

Amount of each
receipt this period

\$70.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Winston L. Liles 3320 Thornton Lane
B-2
Temple, Texas

Principal place of business

Residence

Occupation

Retired

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Aggregate Year-to-date \$

Date (month,
day, year)

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Amount of each
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Wythel K. Mayborn 603 W. Shell Ave
Temple, Texas

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day, year)

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receipt this period

\$250.00

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E.S. Fletcher Box 190 Temple, Texas

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day, year)

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receipt this period

\$100.00

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Jim Carroll 402 Fletcher, Texas

Principal place of business

Carroll & Carroll
Att. At Law Temple, Tex

Occupation

Attorney

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Date (month,
day, year)

11/5/76

Amount of each
receipt this period

\$50.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Ted Potter 110 N. Main St.
Belton, Texas

Principal place of business

Ted Potter (Att. At Law)
Main St
Belton, Tex

Occupation

Attorney

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day, year)

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\$100.00

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1. Bill Courtney, P. O. Box #844, Temple, Texas - \$70.00 - Attorney
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4. E. S. Fletcher, Box #190, Temple, Texas - \$100.00 - Fletcher Enterprises
5. Jim Carroll, 402 Cherokee, Temple - \$50.00 - Attorney
6. Ted Potter, 110 N. Main, Belton, \$100.00 - Attorney
7. Robert Bearden, 1904 Comanche, Harker Heights, \$200.00 *Dwight Commercial Printing & Lettering*
8. H. K. Allen, S 5th St. Rd., Temple, \$100.00, Chairman of the Board of Temple National Bank
9. (All other contributions are under \$50.00 and nobody contributed an aggregate of over \$50.00 in any one reporting period of those who contributed under \$50.00.)

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Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

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Name of Candidate or Committee in full

Bell Co. Democratic Club

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Killeen Daily Herald
2nd W. Ave. A. Killeen, Tex 76541

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol. Ad.
(See Attached Ads.)

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

\$230.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Temple Daily Telegram
118 W. Ave A
Temple, Texas 76501

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol Ad.
(See Attached Ads.)

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

\$466.75

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

K-Ton Radio
Taylors Valley Rd.
Belton, Tex. 76513

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol. Ad.

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

147.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

K-Ton Radio
303 N. Main
Temple, Tex. 76501

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol Ad.

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

165.95

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

K-Ton Radio
Taylors Valley Rd.
Belton, Texas 76513

Purpose of Expenditure

Pol Ad

Date (month, day, year)

10/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

\$112.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Newspapers
See Attached Ads

Purpose of Expenditure

Dates Appeared & Costs

Date (month, day, year)

11/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

132.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

C. N. Williams Co. 76101
5201 Camp Bowie Ft. Worth, Tex.

Purpose of Expenditure

Camp. Article
Peanuts

Date (month, day, year)

11/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

132.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Democratic Victory Fund
marion K. Auld
214 Duval
Suite 206 78212
San Antonio, Texas

Purpose of Expenditure

Camp. Articles
Peanuts

Date (month, day, year)

11/29/76

Amount of each expenditure this period

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Killen Daily Herald 83.32

Killen Herald

11-1-76

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concerned with our needs.**

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Democratic Club, Akron, Ohio, Treasurer, Editor, Inc.

—Polit

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Yellow Herald

11-1-76

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REORGANIZATION: To reorganize completely the executive branch of government, making it fair, efficient, effective and responsive to our people's needs.

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Political Party

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Killer Herald

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10-31-76

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Killian Thasia

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Killian Donald

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DATE	LINES/INCHES		RATE	CODE	DESCRIPTION	GOOD DISCOUNT	CHARGES/CREDITS	BALANCE
	TODAY	TO DATE						
12-31				7	PAYMENTS		343.20	343.20
12-31				7	PAYMENTS		123.55	466.75
12-31	16	16	2.66	0	DISPLAY		42.56	424.19
12-31	16	32	2.66	0	DISPLAY		42.56	381.63
12-31	40	72	2.66	0	DISPLAY	1600	106.40	275.23
12-31				10	DISCOUNT	48.00		275.23
11-01	34	34	2.66	0	DISPLAY		90.44	184.79
11-01	16	50	2.66	0	DISPLAY		42.56	142.23
11-01	16	66	2.66	0	DISPLAY		42.56	99.67
11-02	21	87	2.66	0	DISPLAY	957	55.00	43.81
11-01		87	74.48	0	DISPLAY		74.48	30.67
11-01				10	DISCOUNT		25.55	5.10
11-30				10	DISCOUNT	0.00		5.10
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(covers period from last statement
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January 15th Annual Statement

Final Statement

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You're Invited
to the
Grand Opening
of the

*All Bell County ~ All Democratic
Campaign Headquarters*

This morning at 11:30

306 E. Central. Belton

Speeches by: Attorney General-John Hill

Democratic Chairman-Calvin Guest of Bryan

Poage Campaign Coordinator- Jamie Clements of Temple

Bentsen Campaign Coordinator -Ted Connell of Killeen

-Free Peanuts and other Refreshments-

Paid for and Authorized by Bell County Democratic Club, Alvan Wells, Treasurer.



Temple Telegram

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Oct 22, 1976

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Simple Telegram

11-2-76

Stick with the
Democratic Party

It's been good to Bell County

Get out and

**VOTE
TODAY!**

If you need a ride to the polls, call:

Temple: 773-0232
773-8304

Belton: 939-1818
939-2466

PG for S. authorized by the Bell County Democratic Club, New York, Treasurer-P.S.
Box 702, Belton, Texas.

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Jimmy Carter

11-1-76

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Vote for
JIMMY CARTER
Altogether a different kind of change

PS: Be 5' authorized by the Bell County Democratic Club when voting, Houston-PS.
Box 702, Dallas, Texas.

Simple. Slogan

11-1-76

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Temple Telegram

10-31-76

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Joseph Saligano - 10-31-76

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**ON
TUESDAY
NOVEMBER**

2ND

**VOTE
FOR A
CHANGE.**

**VOTE FOR
JIMMY
CARTER**

**AND
WALTER
MONDALE**

PS: We're authorized by the Democratic National Committee, 1100 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

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Schedule C

July 1976
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Debts and Obligations for Line Numbers 26 and/or 27 of FEC Form 3

(see instructions on back)

Page _____ of _____ for

LINE NUMBER _____

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full		Amount of Original Debt, Contract, Agreement, or Promise	Cumulative Payment To Date	Outstanding Balance at Close of This Period
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
NONE		\$	\$	\$
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
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Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code, and nature of obligation	Date (month, day, year)	\$	\$	\$
Subtotal this period (this page optional)		\$	\$	\$
Total this period (last page this line number only)		\$	\$	\$

Carry outstanding balance only, to appropriate line of summary.

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July 1976
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Page _____ of _____ for
LINE NUMBER 15C

(see instructions on back)

Total Proceeds during the Reporting Period:

1	Sale of tickets (List by event below)*		▶	3
2	Mass collections (List by event below)**		▶	3
3	Sale of items		▶	3
4	Total (Carry forward to Line 15C of Detailed Summary Schedule Page 2, FEC Form 3)		▶	3

Location (Site, City and State) and Type of Event	Date of Event (month, day, year)	Amount from Sale of Tickets this Period*	Amount from Mass Collections this Period**
Not Applicable		\$	\$
Subtotal this period this page (optional)		\$	\$
Total this period (last page this line number only)		\$*	**

**Itemized Independent Expenditures
for Line 21 F.E.C. Form 3**

Page _____ of _____ Pages

(See reverse side for instructions)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full	Id. No.
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Is This a Separate Report by a Committee Filing on FEC Form 3A? _____

Itemize expenditures which exceed, in the aggregate, \$100 within a calendar year

Full Name, mailing address & ZIP Code of Each Payee	Purpose of Expenditure/Contribution	Date (month, day, year)	Amount	Name of Federal Candidate supported or opposed by the expenditure & office sought
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None other than those				
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reported on prior				
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(a) Subtotal of Itemized Independent Expenditures	\$ _____
(b) Subtotal of Unitemized Independent Expenditures	\$ _____
(c) Total Independent Expenditures	\$ _____

Under penalty of perjury I certify that the independent expenditures reported herein were not made in cooperation, consultation, concert with, or at the request or suggestion of any candidate or any authorized committee or agent of such candidate or authorized committee. Furthermore, these expenditures did not involve the financing of dissemination, distribution, or republication in whole or in part of any campaign materials prepared by the candidate, his campaign committee, or their agent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of

_____, 19 ____.

My Commission Expires _____

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Signature _____

Date _____

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Mr. Thomas E. Harris
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

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Statement of Organization For a Committee

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Name of Committee

Capogen County Republican Executive Committee

7 Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of Committee

(a) Will this committee operate in more than one State?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(b) Will it operate on a statewide basis in one State?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(c) Will it primarily support candidates seeking State or local office?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(d) Will it support or does it anticipate supporting directly or indirectly, candidates for Federal office in excess of \$1,000 in a calendar year?

☐ Yes ☒ No

8 (a) List by name, address, office sought, and party affiliation, any candidate for Federal office that this committee is supporting.

Full name(s) of candidate(s)	Mailing address and ZIP code	Office sought	Party
Gerald Ford	Washington, D. C.	President	Republican
Alan Steelman	Dallas, Texas	Senator	Republican
Lendy McDonald	Los Fresnos, Texas	Congressman	Republican

(b) List by name, address, office sought, and party affiliation, any candidate(s) for any other public office(s) that this committee is supporting (unless the committee is supporting the entire ticket of a party as indicated, in line 9)

Full name(s) of candidate(s)	Mailing address and ZIP code	Office sought	Party
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9 If this committee is supporting the entire ticket of a party, give name of party: **Republican**

10 Identify by name, address and position, the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full name	Mailing address and ZIP code	Title or position
Frank S. Hardin	P. O. Box 1469 Barlingen, Texas 78550	Acting Treasurer

Statement of Organization For a Committee

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Name of Committee

Cameron County Republican Executive Committee

11. List by name, address and position, other principal officers of the committee (include chairman, treasurer, secretary, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary, members of finance committee)

Full name	Mailing address and ZIP code	Title or position
Bill Perrin	P. O. Box 2291 Brownsville, Texas 78520	County Chairman

12. Does this committee plan to stay in existence beyond the current calendar year? If yes, for how long?

☒ Yes ☐ No
 Indefinite

13. In the event of dissolution, what disposition will be made of residue funds?

Funds would go to the Texas Republican Executive Committee

14. List all banks or other repositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds

Name of bank, repository, etc.	Mailing address and ZIP code
National Bank of Commerce	2300 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, Tx. 78520
Harlingen National Bank	P.O. Box 871, Harlingen, Texas 78550

15. List all election reports required to be filed by this committee with States and local jurisdictions, together with the names, addresses, and positions of the recipients of the reports (other than reports filed with Secretaries of State pursuant to USC 4301a)

Report title	Dates required	Name and position of recipient	Mailing address and ZIP code

Submit copies of the information on separate sheets of paper, clearly labeled and attached to this Statement of Organization. Indicate in the appropriate section above where information is submitted on separate pages.

I hereby make this statement under oath and declare that the information is true, correct and complete.

Signed: *Bill Perrin*
 Chairman

Date: *7-2-77*

This document is to be filed with the Federal Election Commission and the State or local election authority having jurisdiction over this Statement in the penalty of 2 U.S.C. 4376(g) or 52 U.S.C. 10304(g).

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December 6, 1977

Mr. Orlando B. Potter
Staff Director
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Cameron County Republican Executive
Committee
Termination Report

Dear Mr. Potter:

This letter is in respond to your letter of October 7, 1977, concerning the termination report filed by the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee for 1976.

Our organization tried in every way to comply with the Federal Election laws and we appreciate your assistance in this matter.

I will answer the questions raised by you in the order that they appeared in your letter. First, the coverage dates were omitted in error. The report covered the period from January 1, 1976 through December 31, 1976.

Item 10, section A, page 1, FEC form 3 was incorrectly reported due to a typographical error. The correct amount of cash on hand at close of the reporting period was \$1,943.68. Correcting this item will make the other items on the schedule balance.

The \$920.38 balance on hand at the beginning of the reporting period was received by the Cameron County Executive Committee as contributions from individuals. The following list indicates the dates, amounts and individuals contributing to the Republic Executive Committee.

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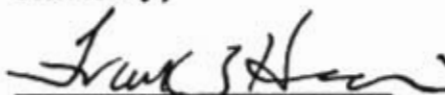
12-12-75	contribution by	Mr. George Godfrey, Rt. 1, Harlingen, Tx.	\$ 25.00
5-22-75	"	Mrs. Leo Moses, P.O. Box 162, Harlingen, Tx.	100.00
6-10-75	"	Mrs. Eva Carter, 1201 Ferguson, Harlingen, Tx.	100.00
2-1-75	"	Mr. Archie McCaskill, P.O. Box 725, Brownsville, Tx.	40.00
10-18-74	"	Mr. T.R. Jones, 510 East Harrison, Harlingen, Tx.	55.95
10-18-74	"	Mrs. Marjorie B. Dierlam, 108 Cowan Ter., Brownsville, Tx.	15.00
10-15-74	"	Mrs. Walter Coats, 1501 E. Crockett, Harlingen, Tx.	15.00
9-6-75	"	Mr. Donald C. Osborn, 1610 Revere Lane, Harlingen, Tx.	35.00
7-19-74	"	Mr. William A. Robinson, 144 Lindale, Brownsville, Tx.	26.00
7-29-74	"	Mr. Idris Traylor, P.O. Box 1493, Harlingen, Tx.	218.30
7-2-74	"	Mrs. Murray Godfrey, Rt. 1, Harlingen, Tx.	20.00
7-3-74	"	Mrs. Joyce Cramer, Rt. 2, Harlingen, Tx.	5.00
6-3-74	"	Mrs. George Lipe, 1734 Honeydale, Brownsville, Tx.	54.00
5-1-74	"	Cash by San Benito Republican	16.65
3-6-74	Filing Fee	Walter V. Terry, 1817 E. Harrison, Harlingen, Tx.	100.00
3-6-74	"	Mr. D.L. Hemphill, 175 Robins Lane, Brownsville, Tx.	200.00
			<u>1,025.90</u>

We have corrected the reporting of the expense for the contribution in kind on behalf of Gerald Ford and you will find attached a schedule "E" itemizing these amounts.

We are having difficulty in determining how to properly report the items questioned in your letter of November 17, 1977. The Harlingen Republican Womens Club has consistently over the years raised money and contributed it to the Cameron County Republican Executive Committee. These funds are generally used for the operation of the Republican Executive Committee. They go for such expenditures as post office box rent, postage, stationary, voter registration drives, expenses of sending the county chairman to seminars on the Federal Election laws and other such operating expenses. It is our understanding that the Harlingen Republican Womens Club did not give funds to any candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000.00. This being true, we were of the opinion that the Harlingen Republican Womens Club would not have to file as a political committee.

I am using this opportunity to also answer your letter to the Harlingen Republican Womens Club dated November 17, 1977. We would sincerely appreciate any assistance that you might give in how we can handle this matter.

Sincerely,



Frank S. Hardin
P. O. Box 1469
Harlingen, Texas 78550

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cc: Bill Perrin, County Chairman
Beverly Barnett, Treasurer

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Itemized Expenditures

Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers

for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

(see instructions on back)

Page 1 of 1 for

LINE NUMBER 20

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

Cameron County Republican Executive Committee

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KDUV Fm
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
57 spot announcements
Oct 30, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-28-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

151.80

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KBOR Radio
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
3 spot announcements
Oct 30, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-28-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

120.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Brownsville Herald
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
Ads in Brownsville
Herald and Valley Morning Star

Date (month,
day, year)

10-18-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

117.60

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KRIO Radio
500 E Beaumont
McAllen, Texas 78501

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
21 spot announcements
Oct 24, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-19-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

390.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KGBT Radio
Harlingen Texas 78550

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
20 spot announcements
Oct 30, 1976 to Nov 2, 1976

Date (month,
day, year)

10-29-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

205.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

KBOR Radio
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
Extra charges for
taping spot announcements

Date (month,
day, year)

11-1-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

27.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Brownsville Herald
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Purpose of Expenditure

Contribution in kind
on behalf of Gerald Ford
Revised Billing for
ads purchased 10-28-76

Date (month,
day, year)

11-3-76

Amount of each expenditure this period

25.10

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional)

1039.50

Total this period (last page this line number only)

1039.50



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