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Jeff S. Jordan
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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 5533

Dear Mr. Jordan,

Enclosed please find further evidence in support of the complaint in this matter alleging that Nader accepted an excessive contribution from the Michigan Republican Party. In the article, Nader's running mate Peter Camejo acknowledged that Nader "accepted help from the Republicans in Michigan."

Sincerely,

Mark Brewer

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Enclosure

cc: FEC General Law and Advice Division

Dear Mr. Jordan

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On the ballot, thanks to Michigan GOP

Michigan became an exception in the Nader/Camejo 2004 campaign when two-time presidential candidate Ralph Nader opted this summer to accept signatures from Republicans



who wanted to get him on the state ballot.

Nader's vice presidential running mate, Peter Miguel Camejo, said their campaign accepted help from the

Ralph Nader

problems getting on the ballot in other states

"It's our reaction that we're being denied ballot status from Democrats all over the country," Camejo said "Nowhere else have the Republicans gotten us on the ballot"

The Michigan GOP collected about 43,000 signatures for Nader

this summer. To get on the ballot, Nader needed 30,000 signatures. His campaign had submitted roughly 5,400. Jason Moon, spokesman for the Michigan Democratic Party, said the Democrats would not have had a problem with Nader's petitions if the Republicans had not helped collect signatures, hoping that Nader would take votes away from Kerry

"The irony is that Ralph Nader chose to accept the help of a party he has opposed his entire career," Moon said.

Heather Layman, a spokeswoman for the Republican Party who specializes in the Great Lakes region, acknowledged that the Michigan GOP had a part in helping Nader onto the state ballot and criticized the Democrats for trying to keep a candidate off it.

As of Monday afternoon, Nader and Camejo were on the ballot in 36 states. The Nader/Camejo 2004 campaign is in litigation in 11 states, said Kevin Zeese, spokes-

man for the campaign. In some states, like California, Nader will run as a write-in candidate

In Michigan, he is listed as an independent, with an effort to get him nominated with the Reform Party currently sitting in the state Court of Appeals, Zeese said.

By Erin Chan