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May 16, 1979

MEMORANDUM

TO:

FRED EILAND

PRESS OFFICE

THROUGH:

ROBERT J. COSTA

FROM:

JUDY HAWKINS

SUBJECT:

PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF AUDIT REPORT -

DELAWARE DEMOCRATIC PARTY 1976

STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION TASK FORCE

Attached please find a copy of the final audit report of the Delaware Democratic Party 1976 Statewide Voter Registration Task Force which was approved by the Commission on May 2, 1979.

All informational copies of this report have been received by all parties involved and this report may be released to the public as of today, May 16, 1979.

Attachment as stated

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION
ON THE
DELAWARE DEMOCRATIC PARTY 1976 STATEWIDE
VOTER REGISTRATION TASK FORCE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based upon an audit of the Delaware Democratic Party 1976 Statewide Voter Registration Task Force ("the Committee"), undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission in accordance with the Commission's audit policy to determine whether there has been compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The audit was conducted pursuant to Section 438(a)(8) of Title 2 of the United States Code which directs the Commission to make from time to time audits and field investigations with respect to reports and statements filed under the provisions of the Act.

The Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission on October 12, 1976 as a state committee of the Democratic Party. The Committee maintained its headquarters in Wilmington, Delaware. The audit covered the period July 1, 1976 1/ through December 31, 1976, the termination date of the Committee.

This report is based on documents and working papers supporting each of its factual statements. They form part of the record upon which the Commission based its decision on the matters in the report and were available to Commissioners and appropriate staff for review.

B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee were Mr. William Ewing, Chairman, and Mr. Charles Walker, Treasurer.

^{1/} The Committee's initial coverage date is July 1, 1976, but the first transaction of the Committee did not take place until September 17, 1976.

C. Scope

The audit included such tests as the verification of total reported receipts and expenditures and individual transactions; review of required supporting documentation; analysis of committee debts and obligations; and, such other audit procedures as deemed necessary under the circumstances.

II. Auditor's Statement

It is the opinion of the Audit staff based upon the examination of the reports and statements filed and the records presented that the Delaware Democratic Party 1976 Statewide Voter Registration Task Force is not a political committee as defined by the Act and is not subject to the filing requirements of the Act that apply to "political committees".

This opinion is based on the fact that the Committee has not supported Federal candidates to an extent which requires a committee to register and commence filing disclosure reports with the Commission.

