

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 12, 1981

MEMORANDUM

TO:

FRED EILAND

PRESS OFFICE

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF FINAL AUDIT

REPORT - ASSOCIATION OF STATE

DEMOCRATIC CHAIRPERSONS

Attached please find a copy of the final audit report of the Association of State Democratic Chairpersons which has been approved by the Commission.

Informational copies of the report have been received by all parties involved and this report may be released to the public.

Attachment as stated

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON THE ASSOCIATION OF STATE DEMOCRATIC CHAIRPERSONS

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based upon an audit of the Association of State Democratic Chairpersons ("the Committee") undertaken by the Audit Division in accordance with the Commission's audit policy to determine whether there has been compliance with the provisions of the Federal 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, at the time of the audit, directed 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 December 3, 1976 in support of Democratic nominees for Federal elections, and maintains its headquarters in Washington, D.C.

The audit covered the period January 1, 1977 through September 30, 1979, the final coverage date of the most recent report filed by the Committee at the time of the audit. The Committee reported an opening cash balance on January 1, 1977 of \$-0-, total receipts for the period of \$3,100,984.61, total expenditures for the period of \$3,088,653.46, and a closing cash balance on September 30, 1979 of \$95,009.53. 1/

The reported totals contain a discrepancy in closing cash on hand of \$82,678.46 resulting from: a) an unexplained Committee adjustment to cash on hand on its first quarter 1978 report of \$8,895.00; b) an unexplained Committee adjustment to cash on hand on its second quarter 1979 report of \$67,642.61; and c, the Committee's overstatement of its 1979 expenditures by \$6,140.85.

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

B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee during the period audited were:

President	Dates
Donald Fowler	12/3/76 - 5/11/78
Anne D. Campbell	5/11/78 - 3/16/79
Morley Winograd	3/16/79 - end of audit period
Executive Director/Treasurer	
Jessie Rattley	12/3/76 - 5/11/78
Barbara J. Daly	5/11/78 - 3/16/79
Mario Cooper	3/16/79 - end of audit period

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Due to the unavailability of certain Committee records (i.e. bank records, receipt records and expenditure records) and knowledgeable personnel, such tests as verification of total reported receipts, expenditures and individual transactions; review of required supporting documentation; analysis of Committee debts and obligations; and such other audit procedures could not be conducted and/or completed.

II. Audit Findings and Recommendations

Certain matters noted during the audit were referred to the Commission's Office of General Counsel for consideration on July 2, 1980.



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FILE RELEASED BY THE COMMISSION AND MADE PUBLIC IN

THE PUBLIC RECORDS OFFICE. FOR THIS PARTICULAR

ORGANIZATION'S COMPLETED COMPLIANCE ACTION FILE

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THE CASE AND A SUMMARY OF THE ACTIONS TAKEN, IF ANY.



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