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MEMORANDUM

TO: FRED EILAND
CHIEF, PRESS OFFICE

FROM: ROBERT J. COSTA *AK*
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SUBJECT: PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF THE FINAL AUDIT REPORT ON
THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

Attached please find a copy of the Final Audit Report on the New Hampshire State Democratic Committee, which was approved by the Commission on February 2, 1993.

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

Attachment as stated

cc: Office of General Counsel
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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION
ON THE
NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based on an audit of the New Hampshire State Democratic Committee ("the Committee") undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The audit was conducted pursuant to ~~Section 438(b) of Title 2 of the United States Code~~ which states, in part, that the Commission may conduct audits and field investigations of any political committee required to file a report under section 434 of this title. Prior to conducting any audit under this section, the Commission shall perform an internal review of reports filed by selected committees to determine if the reports filed by a particular committee meet the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the Act.

The Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission on February 28, 1984; and maintains its headquarters in Concord, New Hampshire.

The audit covered the period from January 1, 1989 through December 31, 1990. The Committee reported cash on hand of \$1,956.62 at January 1, 1989; total receipts of \$129,437.76; total disbursements of \$127,761.70 and a cash balance on December 31, 1990 of \$3,632.68.

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

B. Key Personnel

The Treasurer of the Committee during the period from January 4, 1989 to December of 1989 was James Demers.

In December of 1989 Robert Walsh became Treasurer and continues to serve as the current Treasurer.^{1/}

C. Scope

The audit included such tests as verification of total receipts and disbursements and individual transactions; and such other audit procedures as deemed necessary under the circumstances, with the exception that Committee receipt and disbursement records did not meet the recordkeeping requirements of Section 432(c) of Title 2 of the United States Code. The Committee was unable to furnish complete receipt and disbursement records for inspection; therefore, the review of receipts and disbursements was limited. Further, as a result of the lack of disbursement records, the Audit staff was unable to perform a review of debts and obligations.

II. Audit Finding and Recommendation

Matters Referred to the Office of General Counsel

Certain matters noted during the audit have been referred to the Commission's Office of General Counsel.

^{1/} Although an amended Statement of Organization was not filed until February 1991, at the entrance conference, Robert Walsh stated he became Treasurer in December 1989. Disclosure reports for 1989 were submitted by him in 1990, since his predecessor did not file these reports.