



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED UPON PROCEDURES

Democratic Executive Committee
Mercer County
931 Strable Road
Rockford, Ohio 45882

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Democratic Executive Committee, solely to assist the Committee in evaluating its compliance with Sections 3517.17 and 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code for the year ended December 31, 2003. Management is responsible for the Committee's compliance with those requirements. We followed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards for agreed-upon procedures engagements. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Executive Committee. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Cash Receipts

We confirmed the Ohio Political Party Fund receipts with the State of Ohio and agreed them to amounts shown on the Political Party Fund Finance Report. We found no exceptions.

Cash Reconciliation

1. We compared the sum of the cash balances recorded on the Committee's Ohio Campaign Finance Report with the cash balances reconciled by the Treasurer for the Democratic Executive Committee as of December 31, 2003. The sums agreed.
2. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the reconciliation. We found no computational errors.
3. We agreed bank balances on the reconciliation with month end bank statements. The balances agreed.
4. We agreed all reconciling items appearing on that reconciliation to deposit slips. We determined that the dates on those documents support that those items were proper reconciling items at December 31, 2003.

Cash Disbursements

There were no disbursements for the audit period.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance of the political party fund finance report which is attached to this report. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that we would have reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.

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Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State of Ohio

March 8, 2004

**DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL PARTY
MERCER COUNTY**

**POLITICAL PARTY FUND FINANCE REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003
(UNAUDITED)**

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2003		\$319
RECEIPTS:		
STATE DISTRIBUTION	186	
OTHER	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		187
DISBURSEMENTS:		
OTHER	<u>0</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>0</u>
ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2003		<u>\$ 506</u>

(See Independent Accountants' Report On Applying Agreed Upon Procedures)

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DEMOCRATIC PARTY

MERCER COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Bablitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
APRIL 27, 2004**