MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2002

PRESENT:

David M. Mason, Chairman, presiding

Karl J. Sandstrom, Vice Chairman

Danny L. McDonald, Commissioner

Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner

Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner

Darryl R. Wold, Commissioner

James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director

Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

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## III. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no routine administrative matters to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Signed:

Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W Dove Secretary of the

Commission

## II. ADVISORY OPINIONS

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A. Revised Draft Advisory Opinion 2001-17

DNC Services Corporation/Democratic National Committee by counsel, Neil Reiff

Agenda Document No. 02-02

Chairman Mason recognized Mr. Jonathan Levin of the General Counsel's Office who presented the revised draft Advisory Opinion 2001-17 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), and Commission regulations to the reporting of contributions received by the DNC that are deposited in Federal and non-Federal accounts.

During his presentation, Mr. Levin noted the following amendments:

- Page 3, Line 5, change the first reference to the word "account" to "accounts."
- Page 3, Line 11, delete the word "or" and substitute the word "and" in lieu thereof.
- 3. <u>Page 5. Line 23.</u> insert the word "either" before the word "written."
- 4. Page 5, Line 25, move the phrase "within 60 days of its receipt of the contribution" to the end of the sentence on Line 26.

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## II. <u>ADVISORY OPINIONS</u> (continued)

B. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2001-18</u>

BellSouth Corporation by counsel, Jan Witold Baran

Agenda Document No. 02-03

Chairman Mason recognized Mr. Jonathan Levin of the General Counsel Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2001-18 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), and Commission regulations to the possible affiliation of its separate segregated fund to the political action committee established by Cingular Wireless LLC ("Cingular").

During his presentation, Mr. Levin noted the following amendment:

Page 11, Footnote 13, Line 2: Amend
the cite to read "2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1).

Following discussion, Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner McDonald, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2001-18, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 02-03, subject to the amendment noted above.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.