



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF THE AUDIT REPORT ON
EARL POMEROY FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE

Attached please find a copy of the audit report on the Earl Pomeroy for Congress Committee which was approved by the Commission on February 3, 2006.

All parties involved have received informational copies of the report and the report may be released to the public.

Attachment as stated

cc: Office of General Counsel
Office of Public Disclosure
Reports Analysis Division
FEC Library
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Report of the Audit Division on Earl Pomeroy for Congress

January 1, 2003 – December 31, 2004

Why the Audit Was Done

Federal law permits the Commission to conduct audits and field investigations of any political committee that is required to file reports under the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act). The Commission generally conducts such audits when a committee appears not to have met the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the Act.¹ The audit determines whether the committee complied with the limitations, prohibitions and disclosure requirements of the Act.

Future Action

The Commission may initiate an enforcement action, at a later time, with respect to any of the matters discussed in this report.

About the Campaign (p. 2)

Earl Pomeroy for Congress is the principal campaign committee for Earl Ralph Pomeroy, Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives from the state of North Dakota, At-Large and is headquartered in Bismarck, North Dakota. For more information, see chart on the Campaign Organization, p. 2.

Financial Activity (p. 2)

• Receipts	
○ From Individuals	\$ 466,594
○ From Political Committees	1,376,999
○ Transfers From Authorized Committees	16,672
○ Offsets to Expenditures	5,764
○ Other Receipts	69,314
○ Total Receipts	\$ 1,935,343
• Disbursements	
○ Operating	\$ 1,604,074
○ Contribution Refunds	2,088
○ Other Disbursements	205,554
○ Total Disbursements	\$ 1,811,716

Findings and Recommendations (p. 3)

Based upon our examination of the reports and statements filed, and the records presented by Earl Pomeroy for Congress, no material non-compliance was discovered.

¹ 2 U.S.C. §438(b).

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Part I

Background

Authority for Audit

This report is based on an audit of Earl Pomeroy for Congress, undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission (the Commission) in accordance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the Act). The Audit Division conducted the audit pursuant to 2 U.S.C. §438(b), which permits the Commission to conduct audits and field investigations of any political committee that is required to file a report under 2 U.S.C. §434. Prior to conducting any audit under this subsection, the Commission must 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. 2 U.S.C. §438(b).

Scope of Audit

This audit examined:

1. The receipt of excessive contributions and loans.
2. The receipt of contributions from prohibited sources.
3. The disclosure of contributions received.
4. The disclosure of disbursements, debts and obligations.
5. The consistency between reported figures and bank records.
6. The completeness of records.
7. Other committee operations necessary to the review.

Part II

Overview of Campaign

Campaign Organization

Important Dates	Earl Pomeroy for Congress
• Date of Registration	April 28, 1992
• Audit Coverage	January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2004
Headquarters	Bismarck, North Dakota
Bank Information	
• Bank Depositories	1
• Bank Accounts	1 Checking and 1 Money Market
Treasurer	
• Treasurer When Audit Was Conducted	Joel Fremstad
• Treasurer During Period Covered by Audit	William Lardy
Management Information	
• Attended FEC Campaign Finance Seminar	Yes
• Used Commonly Available Campaign Management Software Package	Yes
• Who Handled Accounting, Recordkeeping Tasks and Other Day-to-Day Operations	Paid Campaign Staff

Overview of Financial Activity (Audited Amounts)

Cash on hand @ January 1, 2003	\$ 6,127
Receipts	
○ From Individuals	\$ 466,594
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Cash on hand @ December 31, 2004	\$ 129,754

Part III

Findings and Recommendations

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