

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION
ON THE
DAVE EVANS FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based upon an audit of the Dave Evans for Congress Committee ("the Committee") undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission in accordance with the Commission's audit policy to determine whether there has been compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The audit was conducted pursuant to Section 438(a)(8) of Title 2, United States Code, which directs the Commission to make from time to time audits and field investigations with respect to reports and statements under the provisions of the Act.

The Committee originally registered with the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives on December 26, 1973 as a political committee supporting the Honorable David Evans, candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives from the 6th District of Indiana. The Committee was designated by the candidate as the principal campaign committee for the 1976 election on April 2, 1976. The Committee maintained its headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The audit covered the period January 1, 1975, through June 30, 1977. During that period, the Committee reported a beginning cash balance of \$185.84, total receipts of \$122,929.43, total expenditures of \$104,813.16, and a closing cash balance at June 30, 1977 of \$18,224.07.

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 in this report, and were available to Commissioners and appropriate staff for review.



B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee were Chairman: Mr. Thomas Kern, 1/1/75-5/15/75; Mr. John Anderson, 5/13/75-4/1/77; Mr. William E. Gervasio, 4/1/77 through the close of the audit; and Treasurer: Ms. Virginia Craiq, 1/1/75-5/15/75; Mr. Louis Milharcic, 5/13/75-4/1/77; Mr. Ray Clements, 4/1/77 through the close of the audit. Mr. Thomas J. Kern has served as Assistant Treasurer since April 21, 1977.

C. Scope

The audit included such tests as verification of reported receipts and expenditures and individual transactions; review of required supporting documentation and analysis of Committee debts and obligations; and such other audit procedures as deemed necessary under the circumstances.

II. Auditor's Statement and Description of Findings

It is the opinion of the Audit Staff, based upon examination of the reports and statements filed and the records presented, that, except for the deficiencies noted below, the reports and statements of the Dave Evans for Congress Committee fairly present the financial activities of the Committee for the period covered by the audit. Further, except as noted below, no material problems in complying with the Federal Election Campaign Act were discovered during the course of the audit.

A. <u>Itemization of Individual Contributors</u> of Amounts Exceeding \$100

Section 434(b)(2) of Title 2, United States Code, requires a committee to disclose the full name, mailing address, occupation and the principal place of business of each person who has made one or more contributions within the calendar year in an aggregate amount in excess of \$100, together with the amount and date of such contributions.

During the course of the audit, it was determined that the Committee did not itemize 34 contributions of \$100 or less from 30 contributors (55% of the total itemizable contributors) whose contributions exceeded \$100 in the aggregate. These contributions totaled \$2,261.47 (18.88% of the value of total itemizable contributions). Also, 19 of the 25 itemized contributions that were reported did not include the occupation and/or principal place of business of the contributor. The Committee was unable to provide an explanation as to why information was missing.

We recommended to the Committee that they file comprehensive amendments for the audit period to include the required information. On August 5, 1977, the Commission received the Committee's amended reports.

Recommendation

Since the Committee has amended their reports to disclose this information, no additional action is recommended by the Audit staff.

B. <u>Disclosure of Receipt of Loan</u>

Section 434(b)(5) of Title 2, United States Code, states that a committee shall disclose each loan to or from any person within the calendar year which is in excess of \$100, together with the full name and mailing address of the lender, endorsers, and guarantors, as well as the date and amount of such loans.

During the course of the audit, it was determined that the Committee had received a \$2,000 loan on December 13, 1976 from the Indiana National Bank which was guaranteed by the Candidate and two other individuals. On January 20, 1977, the Committee repaid the loan with interest. The Committee did not report either the receipt or the repayment of this loan since it was repaid prior to the filing of the year-end report.

It was the recommendation of the staff that the Committee file amended reports containing the appropriate information. On August 5, 1977, the Committee filed amended reports containing this information.

Recommendation

Since the Committee has amended its reports, it is the recommendation of the Audit staff that no further action be taken.

CONGRESSIONAL AUDIT REPORT

Candidate/Committee: Dave Evans / Dave Evans for Congress Committee

State: Indiana

District: 6

Location: Indianapolis

Political Party Affiliation: Democrat

Major Opponent(s): David Crane - Republican

Other Candidates Audited: Crane

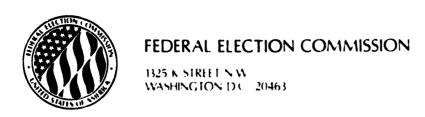
Votes Cast: General Election - Evans 105,773 Crane 86,854

Primary Election - Evans 30,231 James Logan 3,260

Total Receipts for Period: . \$122,929.43

Total Expenditures for Period: \$104,813.16

First Elected (if applicable): 1974



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS ORGANIZATION

MAY BE LOCATED IN A COMPLETED COMPLIANCE ACTION

FILE RELEASED BY THE COMMISSION AND MADE PUBLIC IN

THE PUBLIC RECORDS OFFICE. FOR THIS PARTICULAR

ORGANIZATION'S COMPLETED COMPLIANCE ACTION FILE

SIMPLY ASK FOR THE PRESS SUMMARY OF MUR # 466.

THE PRESS SUMMARY WILL PROVIDE A BRIEF HISTORY OF

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



