

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON ERDALL FOR CONGRESS

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based on an audit of Erdall for Congress ("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 of the United States Code which directs the Commission to make from time to time audits and field investigations with respect to reports and statements filed under the provisions of the Act.

The Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission on August 11, 1976 in support of Richard M. Erdall, candidate for election to the office of U.S. Representative from the 5th Congressional District of Minnesota. The Committee maintained its headquarters in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The audit covered the period from July 7, 1976 through September 30, 1977, the final coverage date of the latest report filed by the Committee at the time of the audit. The Committee reported a beginning cash balance on July 7, 1976 of \$-0-, total receipts for the period of \$12,185.21, total expenditures for the period of \$11,630.42 and a closing cash balance on December 31, 1976 of \$554.79.

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 the report and were available to Commissioners and appropriate staff for review.

^{1/} Committee filed FEC Form 3a for the period 1/1/77-9/30/77.

B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee during the period of the audit were Mr. John Gasser, Chairman, July 7, 1976 to September 7, 1976, Mr. Wayne Popham, Chairman, September 7, 1976 to present, and Mr. Robert B. Gillespie, Treasurer.

C. Scope

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

II. Auditor's Statement

It is the opinion of the Audit staff, based upon examination of the reports and statements filed and the records presented, that the reports and statements of the Erdall for Congress committee fairly present the financial activities of the Committee for the period covered by the audit. No material problems in complying with the Federal Election Campaign Act were discovered during the course of the audit.

