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MEMORANDUM

To: Judith Ingram  
Press Officer

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Subject: Public Issuance of the Audit Report on Sali for Congress

Attached please find a copy of the audit report on Sali for Congress, which was approved by the Commission on August 20, 2009.

All parties involved have received informational copies of the report and the report may be released to the public August 26, 2009.

Attachment as stated

cc: Office of General Counsel  
Office of Public Disclosure  
Reports Analysis Division  
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# Report of the Audit Division on Sali for Congress

January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2008

## 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.<sup>1</sup> 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 Committee (p. 2)

Sali for Congress is the principal campaign committee for William T. Sali, Republican candidate for the U.S. House of Representative from the state of Idaho, 1<sup>st</sup> District, and is headquartered in Kuna, ID. For more information, see the chart on the Campaign Organization, p.2

## Financial Activity (p. 2)

- **Receipts**
  - From Individuals \$ 479,308
  - From Other Political Committees 697,741
  - Other Receipts 2,670
  - **Total Receipts** \$ 1,179,719
- **Disbursements**
  - Operating Expenditures \$ 1,161,131
  - Refunds to Individuals 1,825
  - Other Disbursements 5,240
  - **Total Disbursements** \$ 1,168,196

## Findings and Recommendations (p. 3)

The scope of the audit was limited as outlined in Part 1 of the report. Based on the limited examination of the reports and statements filed, and the records presented by Sali for Congress, no material non-compliance was discovered.

<sup>1</sup> 2 U.S.C. §438(b).

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# **Part I**

## **Background**

### **Authority for Audit**

This report is based on an audit of the Sali 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**

Following Commission approved procedures, the Audit staff evaluated various factors and as a result, the scope of this audit was limited to the following:

1. The consistency between reported figures and bank records,
2. The disclosure of individual contributor's occupation and name of employer; and
3. The receipt and disclosure of contributions from political committees.

## Part II

### Overview of Campaign

#### Campaign Organization

<b>Important Dates</b>	<b>Sali for Congress</b>
• Date of Registration	August 18, 2005
• Audit Coverage	January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2008
<b>Headquarters</b>	Kuna, Idaho
<b>Bank Information</b>	
• Bank Depositories	Three
• Bank Accounts	Four Checking Accounts Two Debit Accounts One Savings Account
<b>Treasurer</b>	
• Treasurer When Audit Was Conducted	Terry Sali
• Treasurer During Period Covered by Audit	Terry Sali
<b>Management Information</b>	
• Attended FEC Campaign Finance Seminar	Yes
• Used Commonly Available Campaign Management Software Package	Yes
• Who Handled Accounting and Recordkeeping Tasks	Paid Staff

#### Overview of Financial Activity (Audited Amounts)

<b>Cash on hand @ January 1, 2007</b>	<b>\$5,215</b>
○ From Individuals	479,308
○ From Other Political Committees	697,741
○ Other Receipts	2,670
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 1,179,719</b>
○ Operating Expenditures	1,161,131
○ Refunds to Individuals	1,825
○ Other Disbursements	5,240
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 1,168,196</b>
<b>Cash on hand @ December 31, 2008</b>	<b>\$ 16,738</b>

## **Part III**

### **Findings and Recommendations**

Based upon a limited examination of the reports and statements filed, and the records presented by Sali for Congress, no material non-compliance was discovered.