



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION
ON THE
EDWARD J. PATTEN FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE
AND THE
FRIENDS OF ED PATTEN COMMITTEE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based on audits of the Edward J. Patten for Congress Committee and the Friends of Ed Patten 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 filed under the provisions of the Act.

The Edward J. Patten for Congress Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission on April 21, 1976, designated as the principal campaign committee of the Honorable Edward J. Patten, candidate for re-election to the office of Representative from the 15th Congressional District of New Jersey. The Committee maintains its headquarters in Edison, New Jersey.

The Friends of Ed Patten Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission on April 21, 1976, as a fundraising committee designated by the Honorable Edward J. Patten and maintained its headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland.

The audit of the Edward J. Patten for Congress Committee covered the period from April 12, 1976, the inception date of the Committee, to December 31, 1976, the final coverage date of the latest report filed by the Committee at the time of the audit. This Committee reported an opening cash balance at April 12, 1976 of \$-0-, total receipts for the period of



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This audit report is based on documents and working papers supporting each of its 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.

B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Edward J. Patten for Congress Committee during the period covered by the audit were Mr. Thomas H. Paterniti, Campaign Manager, and Mr. J. Theodore Walkoczy, Treasurer.

The principal officers of the Friends of Ed Patten Committee during the period covered by the audit were Mr. Jack Curran, Chairman, and Mrs. Nancy Aronson, Treasurer.

C. Scope

The audits included such tests as the verification of total reported receipts and expenditures and individual transactions; review of required supporting documentation; analysis of the Committees' 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 Edward J. Patten for Congress Committee and the Friends of Ed Patten Committee fairly present the financial activities of both Committees for the period covered by the audits. No material problems in complying with the Federal Election Campaign Act were discovered during the course of the audit.

1/ The Edward J. Patten for Congress Committee was exempt from filing disclosure reports as of the 1st quarter of 1977. A FEC Form 3a was filed on April 1, 1977.

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CONGRESSIONAL AUDIT REPORT

Candidate/Committee: Edward J. Patten / Edward J. Patten for Congress
Committee
/ Friends of Ed Patten Committee

State: New Jersey

District: 15

Location: Middlesex County, New Brunswick, Central New Jersey

Political Party Affiliation: Democrat

Major Opponent(s): Charles Wiley (R)

Other Candidates Audited: Wiley, Dennis Adams (1)

Votes Cast: General Election - Patten 106,170 Charles Wiley 54,487

Primary Election - None

Total Receipts for Period: \$42,288.99

Total Expenditures for Period: \$39,902.71

First Elected (if applicable): 1962

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