



## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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### REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CENTER

#### I. Background

##### A. Overview

This report is based on the audit of the Committee to Preserve the Republican National Center ("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 433(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 operated in accordance with Section 431(e)(5)(H) of Title 2 of the United States Code which provides for a national committee of a political party to receive contributions solicited for the specific purpose of construction or purchasing a headquarters building. The Committee reported to the Commission as required by Section 434(b).

The Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission June 8, 1977 as an affiliate of the Republican National Committee. It maintains its headquarters in Washington, D.C.

The audit covered the period June 1, 1977 through December 31, 1978, the final coverage date of the latest report filed by the Committee at the time of the audit. During that period, the Committee reported a beginning cash balance of \$-0-, total receipts of \$2,303,054.97, total expenditures of \$2,297,154.14, and a closing cash balance at December 31, 1978 of \$5,890.83.

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This audit report is based on documents and working papers that support each of its 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 members for review.

**B. Key Personnel**

The principal officers of the Committee during the period covered by the audit were Robert S. Carter, Chairman, from June 8, 1977 through September 23, 1977, and also from April 1, 1978 through December 31, 1978, and John B. Connally, Chairman, from September 23, 1977 through March 31, 1978; William J. McManus, Treasurer, from June 8, 1977 through December 31, 1978.

**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 Committee to Preserve the Republican National Center 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.

