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CAMPAIGN CITED FOR FAILURE TO FILE PRE-CONVENTION REPORT

WASHINGTON -- Utah will be holding conventions for the Democratic and Libertarian parties on May 11, 1996, to select candidates for the House of Representatives.

As of 5 p.m., May 7, 1996, a disclosure report from the following committee had not been filed:

UT/01...SANDERS FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE...DARIN LEONARD, TREAS...GREGORY J. SANDERS...DEM

Reports were due April 29, 1996, and should have included financial activity for the period April 1, 1996, through April 21, 1996. If sent by certified or registered mail, the reports should have been postmarked by midnight April 26, 1996.

Committees were notified of their filing requirements on April 5, 1996. Those committees which did not file on the due date were notified on April 30, 1996, that reports had not been received and that their names would be published if they did not respond within four business days.

The Commission publishes only the names of those committees which have been designated by candidates as their principal campaign committees. Other political committees supporting Senate and House candidates (those which are not authorized units of a candidate's campaign) file either quarterly or monthly reports. Those committees are not published by the FEC.

Further Commission action against non-filers and late filers is decided on a case-by-case basis. Federal law gives the FEC broad authority to initiate enforcement actions, including the imposition of civil penalties (\$5,000 for "any violation" and \$10,000 for any "knowing and willful" violation.)

The next regularly scheduled disclosure report for these congressional candidate committees will be the quarterly report due July 15, 1996. It will cover activity from April 22 through June 30.

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