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FEC RELEASES FOUR COMPLIANCE CASES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on four matters previously under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including the FEC's legal analysis of the case. (Please see footnote at the end of this release.) Closed MUR files are available in the Public Records Office.

1. MUR 3420

RESPONDENTS:

(a) Citizens for John Wofford, John D. Sheridan, treasurer (PA)	(e) Patrick H. McCarthy (PA)
(b) Machinists Non-Partisan Political League, Tom Ducey, treasurer (DC)	(f) Susie Field (CA)
(c) American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees - P E O P L E, William Lucy, treasurer (DC)	(g) Sagalyn Associates (DC)
(d) Elizabeth F. Bagley (DC)	(h) Smith Bagley (DC)
(e) Patrick H. McCarthy (PA)	(i) Bernard Rapoport (TX)
(f) Susie Field (CA)	(j) Avore Rapoport (TX)
(g) Sagalyn Associates (DC)	(k) Ronald B. Rapoport (TX)
(h) Smith Bagley (DC)	(l) Paul C. Warnke (DC)
(i) Bernard Rapoport (TX)	(m) Burke Marshall (CT)
(j) Avore Rapoport (TX)	(n) Sarah E. Peck (PA)
(k) Ronald B. Rapoport (TX)	(o) Alida R. Messinger (NY)
(l) Paul C. Warnke (DC)	(p) Thomas L. Siebert (MD)
(m) Burke Marshall (CT)	(q) Louise S. Ansberry (PA)
(n) Sarah E. Peck (PA)	(r) Anne Sobel (FL)
(o) Alida R. Messinger (NY)	(s) Daniel B. Wofford (PA)
(p) Thomas L. Siebert (MD)	(t) John E. Connelly (IA)
(q) Louise S. Ansberry (PA)	(u) Gregory B. Craig (DC)
(r) Anne Sobel (FL)	(v) Robert M. Krasne (DC)
(s) Daniel B. Wofford (PA)	(w) Hale A. Krasne (DC)
(t) John E. Connelly (IA)	(x) Robert J. Stein (DC)
(u) Gregory B. Craig (DC)	(y) Clare Wofford (PA)
(v) Robert M. Krasne (DC)	(z) Ethel B. Wister (PA)
(w) Hale A. Krasne (DC)	(aa) Sabina F. Wister (VT)
(x) Robert J. Stein (DC)	
(y) Clare Wofford (PA)	
(z) Ethel B. Wister (PA)	
(aa) Sabina F. Wister (VT)	

(bb) Raymond G. Chambers (NJ)
(cc) Patricia A. Chambers (NJ)

COMPLAINANTS: Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania, Anne B. Anstine, Chairman (PA)

SUBJECT: Excessive contributions

DISPOSITION:

- (a) Probable cause to believe (7/12/94), litigation initiated (10/25/94)*
-Order: March 27, 1996 - \$15,000 civil penalty*
- (b-f) No reason to believe*
- (g-cc) Took no action*

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2. MUR 4238

RESPONDENT: (a) Zimmer for Senate, Inc., David Millner, treasurer (NJ)
(b) The Honorable Richard Zimmer (NJ)
(c) Hands Across New Jersey (NJ)
(d) The Coalition for Lower Taxes (NJ)
(e) Larry Weitzner, Political Coordinator, Coalition for Lower Taxes (NJ)
(f) David J. Murray, Consultant (NJ)
COMPLAINANT: Richard J. LaRossa, NJ State Senator, 15th Legislative District (NJ)
SUBJECT: Expenditures in connection with a federal election; failure to register and report
DISPOSITION: (a-f) No reason to believe*
[re: any provision of the law]

3. MUR 4288

RESPONDENTS: (a) Joseph J. Szlavik (DC)
(b) Engel for Congress, Charlotte Friedman, (former) treasurer (NY)
COMPLAINANTS: Barry R. Ziman (VA)
SUBJECT: Excessive contributions
DISPOSITION: Reason to believe, but took no further action*
Sent admonishment letters.

4. MUR 4376/Pre-MUR 326

RESPONDENTS: Citibank, N.A. (NY)
COMPLAINANT: Sua sponte
SUBJECT: National bank contribution
DISPOSITION: Reason to believe, but took no further action*
Sent admonishment letter.

*There are four administrative stages to the FEC enforcement process:

1. Receipt of proper complaint
2. "Reason to believe" stage
3. "Probable cause" stage
4. Conciliation stage
It takes the votes of at least four of the six Commissioners to take any action. The FEC can close a case at any point after reviewing a complaint. If a violation is found and conciliation cannot be reached, then the FEC can institute a civil court action against a respondent.

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