



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

THIS IS THE END OF MUR # 572





FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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August 21, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Miss Nancy J. Bacon, Treasurer
Committee of 1976 for Bates for
Congress
503 West Church Street
Union City, Tennessee 38261

Re: MUR 572 (78)

Dear Miss Bacon:

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Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

Enclosures

Certification
General Counsel's Report

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO COMMISSION _____

MUR NO. 572
STAFF MEMBER(S) _____

Christian

SOURCE OF MUR: INTERNALLY GENERATED

RESPONDENT'S NAME: 1. Barn Restaurant, Inc.
2. Committee of 1976 for Bates for Congress
(Bates Committee)

RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. §441b

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED: Bates Committee Reports

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED: None

GENERATION OF MATTER

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RECOMMENDATION

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1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 21, 1978

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Owners
The Barn Restaurant, Inc.
Highway 51
South Fulton, Tennessee 42041

Re: MUR 572 (78)

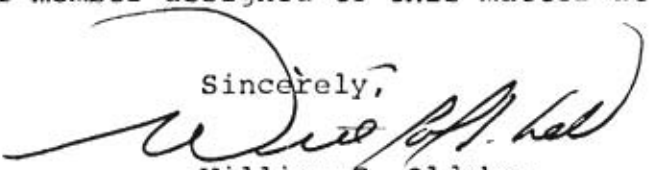
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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 572 (78)
Barn Restaurant, Inc.)
Committee of 1976 for Bates)
for Congress)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on August 18, 1978, the Commission determined by a vote of 5-0 to adopt the recommendation of the General Counsel to take the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Find no reason to believe the Barn Restaurant, Inc. and the Committee of 1976 for Bates for Congress violated 2 U.S.C. §441b in connection with a fundraising dinner held on May 31, 1976.
2. Send the letters attached to the First General Counsel's Report.

Voting for these determinations were Commissioners Aikens, Harris, Tiernan, Staebler and Springer.

Attest:

8/18/78
Date

Margaret E. Chaney
for Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary to the Commission

First General Counsel's Report dated: Undated
Received in Office of Commission Secretary: 8-15-78, 5:00
Circulated on 48 hour vote basis: 8-16-78, 11:30

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August 15, 1978

MEMORANDUM TO: Marge Emmons
FROM: Elissa T. Gahr
SUBJECT: MUR 572

Please have the attached First General Counsel's
report distributed to the Commission on a 48 hour
tally basis.

Thank you.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO COMMISSION _____

MUR NO. 572
STAFF MEMBER(S) _____
Christian

SOURCE OF MUR: I N T E R N A L L Y G E N E R A T E D

RESPONDENT'S NAME: 1. Barn Restaurant, Inc.
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January 1963
Federal Election Commission
1000 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20543

CONFIDENTIAL - SECURITY INFORMATION
 CONFIDENTIAL - SECURITY INFORMATION, LOANS,
 COLLATERAL, AND TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL
 YEARS 19, 20, 21 AND/OR 22 OF FISCAL FORM 3
 (Continued)

(Use answers elsewhere) for each
questioned fact.

Copyright Clearance Center, Inc.

Full name, mailing address and ZIP code		Date (month, day, year)	Amount of cash received this period
Contributions in Kind Name and place of business: The Barn Restaurant Highway 51 South Fulton, TN 42081 Location: Restaurant Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		5/31/76	\$000.75
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code: Veda Busby Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 42081 Contributions in Kind Name and place of business: The Barn Restaurant Highway 51 South Fulton, TN 42081 Location: Restaurant Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		5/31/76	\$000.75
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code: Don Hardin Box 10 Union City, TN 38261 Name and place of business: H & O Tool & Die, Inc. 650 West Chatham Union City, TN 38261 Location: Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		6/5/76	\$000.00
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code: Ray H. Voss 100 Ryan Street Memphis, TN 38267 Name and place of business: Ray H. Voss Location: Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		6/15/76	\$1000.00
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code: H. J. Conklin Route 1 York, TN 38280 (Reelfoot) Name and place of business: H. J. Conklin, Attorney 511 South Third Union City, TN 38261 Location: Attorney <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		6/15/76	\$ 500.00
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code: Walter G. Voss 672 Browning Avenue Birmingham, TN 38244 Name and place of business: Bank of Holmesville Box 111 Union City, TN 38244 Location: Bank Teller Employee <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		6/27/76	\$ 50.00
Name and place of business: Bank of Holmesville Box 111 Union City, TN 38244 Location: Bank Teller Employee <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Verified: \$0		6/10/76	\$ 100.00
Grand total of cash received this period (total)			\$ 2,000.50
Total this period (last page this tax number only)			\$ 0

Free

ATTACHMENT I

Continued Disbursements
 Campaign Contributions, Loans, and Transfers
 for Lines 20, 21, 22, and/or 23 of FGS Form 3
 (Instructions on back)

Line 20 - 21
 Line 22 - 23
 (Use separate sheets for each numbered line.)

Name of Candidate or Committee (Print)

Committee of 1976 for Paton for Congress

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Mid-South Dental Ass P. O. Box 34382 Memphis, TN 38131	Advertising	6/20/76	\$ 250.00
Jackson Civic Center Jackson, TN 38201	Rent	6/20/76	250.00
The Bankers Life 711 High Street Des Moines, IA 50307	Life and medical insurance premium	2/23/76	72.12
	Life and medical insurance	6/20/76	55.21
Petty Cash	Union City (Indepns.)	4/6/76	25.00
	Union City (Indepns.)	5/2/76	100.00
	Memphis (Indepns.)	5/11/76	100.00
Jackson (Indepns.)		5/11/76	100.00
Memphis (Indepns.)		6/1/76	62.10
Memphis (Indepns.)		6/15/76	63.10
Carl Puckett, Jr. Highway 87 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind" Dinner for fundraiser	5/31/76	900.75
Veda Puckett Highway 87 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind" Dinner for fundraiser	5/31/76	900.75
Meekley County Motors Fulton Highway Hartsville, TN 37057	"Contribution in Kind" Use of car	4/15/76	375.00
	Use of car	5/13/76	375.00
Grand Total Expenditures (Print)			\$ 3,720.00
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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503 West Church Street
Union City, NJ 07081
July 6, 1973

CERTIFIED

Mr. Orlando D. Potter, Staff Director
Federal Election Commission
1335 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20543

Dear Mr. Potter:

RE: 45/1/73/6350

This letter is in response to your correspondence of July 3, 1970 regarding our July 10 Quarterly (1973) Report of Receipts and Expenditures. "In-Kind" contributions by Carl and Veda Puckett each for \$500.75 were personal contributions and were not from The Barn, Inc. I am enclosing a copy of a letter we received in July, 1973 from J. Larry Seinson of George H. Reed & Co., accountants for Mr. and Mrs. Puckett, regarding the contributions.

Mr. Potter, our Committee never accepted contributions prohibited by the Act. Contributions from all business firms were verified to be certain that no corporate funds were distributed to the campaign.

If you desire additional information in reference to the above, please let me know.

Sincerely,

COMMITTEE OF 1976 FOR DATES FOR CONGRESS

Nancy J. Baccin

Nancy J. Baccin, Treasurer

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7/24/78 Peter Klee, Jr requested House to send copy of letter referred to in this letter. Copy was received from House 7/24/78 + given ✓
EG 7/25/78.

ATTACHMENT III

GEORGE H. REED & CO.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

821 N. SEVENTH STREET

P. O. BOX 404

MAYFIELD, KENTUCKY 42066

847-8303

BOB D. EOPMAN, CPA
 HOWARD L. WORLEY, CPA
 & LARRY STINSON, CPA
 JAMES A. FOLK, CPA
 & FRANK HARRIS, CPA
 LESLIE R. ELLIS, CPA

LARRY A. GOR, CPA
 LLOYD E. PAINTER, CPA

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KENTUCKY SOCIETY OF
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CROFT BUILDING
 HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY 42240

PEOPLES BANK BUILDING
 MARION, KENTUCKY 42064

July 13, 1976

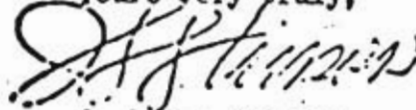
Bates for Congress Committee
 c/o Nancy Bakon
 Reelfoot Bank
 Union City, TN

Dear Ms. Bakon:

This letter is to confirm our phone conversation of July 9, 1976.

Our firm serves as accountants for Sonny and Vada Puckett and performs such services as preparation of financial statements, preparation of corporate income tax returns for The Barn, Inc., and personal tax returns for Sonny and Vada Puckett. You are hereby advised that the expense in connection with the dinner for Congressman Bates will be borne personally by Sonny and Vada Puckett and will not be recorded as a corporate expense for income tax purposes.

Yours very truly,



J. Larry Stinson

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ATTACHMENT IV



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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REPORTS ANALYSIS REFERRAL UPDATE

DE 116

RAD# 18-16

ORIGIN: OGC

DATE 7-31-78

ANALYST Wade McArthur *WMM*

TO: Office of General Counsel
ATTENTION: Gary Christian

TEAM CHIEF Peter Kell *P.K.*

THROUGH: STAFF DIRECTOR *OPH*

COMPLIANCE REVIEW *CB*

FROM: ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR FOR REPORTS ANALYSIS *R.K.*

MUR# 572

DATE OF ORIGINAL REFERRAL 5-22-78

PURPOSE: ACTION TAKEN BY RAD

As a result of a review of the July 10, 1976 Report of Receipts and Expenditures, a surface violation letter was sent to the Committee of 1976 for Bates for Congress on 7/3/78. The surface violation regarded a possible corporate contribution. (Attachment 1)

A response was received from the committee on 7/11/78, stating that the contributions were not from the corporation. The committee also enclosed a copy of a letter dated 7/6/78 from the accounting firm of George H. Reed & Company. The firm serves as accountants for Mr. and Mrs. Puckett and The Barn, Inc.. The letter from the accounting firm indicates that the in-kind contribution will be borne personally by Mr. and Mrs. Puckett and will not be reported as a corporate expense for income tax purposes. (Attachment 2)

OUTCOME: (if applicable) The attached response does not specifically indicate that the Pucketts reimbursed the corporation with personal funds, therefore, additional clarification may be required. Please advise should further action by RAD be deemed necessary.

BATES 813

In reply please refer to 4SV1/78-63S0

Attachment 1



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

3 July 1978

Nancy J. Bacon, Treasurer
Committee of 1976 for
Bates for Congress
Post Office Box 934
227 South First Street
Union City, Tennessee 38261

Dear Ms. Bacon:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's interest in assisting candidates and committees who wish to comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended. During review of the July 10 Quarterly (1976) Report of Receipts and Expenditures, we noticed entries indicating that you may have accepted contributions from corporations or unions, which are prohibited by the Act, unless segregated accounts have been established by the corporations or unions. A copy of that portion of your report is attached for your review and clarification.

The Commission recommends that if you have accepted prohibited contributions that you return the full amounts to the donors. These returns should be reported immediately by letter and should be reflected as expenditures on your next report of receipts and expenditures. If you find your identification of the source of these contributions are incomplete or incorrect, please submit a statement which would clarify these particular matters for the public record. You may do so by amending your original report by letter.

Please notify the Commission within fifteen (15) days from the date of this letter of the determination made on this matter. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Susan Owen (800)424-9530, our Reports Analyst assigned to you. Our local telephone number is 523-4048.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Orlando B. Potter".

Orlando B. Potter
Staff Director

Enclosure
Certified Mail:
Return Receipt Requested



Schedule D

January 1976
Federal Election Commission
1325 F Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20543

Itemized Expenditures

Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 21, 22, and/or 23 of F&E Form 3

(See instructions on back)

Page 1 of 1
LINE NUMBER 203

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Name of Candidate or Committee

Committee of 1976 for Estes for Congress

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Mid-South Panel Ads P. O. Box 34232 Memphis, TN 38134	Advertising	6/30/76	\$ 200.00
Jackson Civic Center Jackson, TN 39301	Rent	6/30/76	350.00
The Bankers Life 711 High Street Des Moines, IA 50307	Life and medical insurance premium	3/26/76	72.12
	Life and medical insurance	6/29/76	56.21
Petty Cash	Union City (Hdqtrs.)	4/6/76	25.00
	Union City (Hdqtrs.)	5/6/76	100.00
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Memphis (Hdqtrs.)	6/16/76	83.10	
Carl Puckett, Jr. Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind"	5/31/76	993.75
	Dinner for fundraiser		
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	Dinner for fundraiser		
Madley County Motors Fulton Highway Fulton, TN 38237	"Contribution in Kind"	4/15/76	375.00
	Use of car		
	Use of car	5/13/76	275.00

Total for all contributions

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Total for all expenditures

1,675.00

Schedule A

January 1976
Federal Election Commission
1125 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20542

Stanford David 16,
Contributions, Ticket, Expenses, Loans,
Refunds, and Transfers for Line
Numbers 18, 19, 20 and/or 21 of FEO Form 3
(Use this schedule on back)

Page 1 of 1
LINE NUMBER 150

AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION IN KIND
PERIOD

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Committee of 1973 for Dates for Congress

Committee of 1973 for Dates for Congress

Full name, including address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt for this period
Carl Puckett Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 42041 "Contribution in Kind"	5/31/76	\$993.75
Principal place of business: The Barn Restaurant Highway 51 South Fulton, TN 42041 Occupation: Restaurant Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0		
Vade Puckett Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 42041 "Contribution in Kind"	5/31/76	\$993.75
Principal place of business: The Barn Restaurant Highway 51 South Fulton, TN 42041 Occupation: Restaurant Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0		
Don Burdin Box 10 Union City, TN 38261 Occupation: Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0	6/5/76	\$200.00
H & O Tool & Die, Inc. 620 West Greatham Union City, TN 38261 Occupation: Owner and Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0		
Mary R. Venable 100 Ryan Street Union City, TN 38261 Occupation: Housewife <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0	6/15/76	\$1000.00
U. J. Stricklin Route 1 Troy, TN 38260 (Residence) Occupation: Attorney <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0	6/15/76	\$ 500.00
U. J. Stricklin, Attorney 311 South Third Union City, TN 38261 Occupation: Attorney <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0		
Billy E. Linn 511 Broadway Avenue Huntington, TN 38244 Occupation: Bank Vice President <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0	6/27/76	\$ 500.00
Paula M. Linn 511 Broadway Avenue Huntington, TN 38244 Occupation: Bank Vice President <input type="checkbox"/> Check if Contribution is not a receipt Aggregate Year-to-Date: \$0	6/18/76	\$ 500.00

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503 East Church Street
Union City, TN 38251
July 6, 1970

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Mr. Orlando D. Potter, Staff Director
Federal Election Commission
1335 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20543

Dear Mr. Potter:

RE: 45/1/70/6330

This letter is in response to your correspondence of July 3, 1970 regarding our July 10 Quarterly (1970) Report of Receipts and Expenditures. "In-Kind" contributions by Carl and Veda Puckett each for \$100.75 were personal contributions and were not from The Barn, Inc. I am enclosing a copy of a letter we received in July, 1970 from J. Larry Seiden of George H. Reed & Co., accountants for Mr. and Mrs. Puckett, regarding the contributions.

Mr. Potter, our Committee never accepted contributions prohibited by the Act. Contributions from all business firms were verified to be certain that no corporate funds were distributed to the campaign.

If you desire additional information in reference to the above, please let me know.

Sincerely,

COMMITTEE OF 1970 FOR DATES FOR CONGRESS

Nancy J. Bacon

Nancy J. Bacon, Treasurer

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7/24/78 Peter Kell, Jr requested House to send copy of letter referred to in this letter. Copy was received from House 7/24/78 + given ✓
EG 7/25/78.

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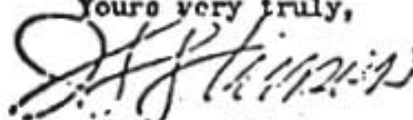
Bates for Congress Committee
 c/o Nancy Bakon
 Reelfoot Bank
 Union City, TN

Dear Ms. Bakon:

This letter is to confirm our phone conversation of July 9, 1976.

Our firm serves as accountants for Sonny and Vada Puckett and performs such services as preparation of financial statements, preparation of corporate income tax returns for The Barn, Inc., and personal tax returns for Sonny and Vada Puckett. You are hereby advised that the expense in connection with the dinner for Congressman Bates will be borne personally by Sonny and Vada Puckett and will not be recorded as a corporate expense for income tax purposes.

Yours very truly,


 J. Larry Stinson

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U.S. MAIL
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May 22, 1978

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tom Haselhorst, Reports Analysis Division
FROM: William C. Oldaker, General Counsel
SUBJECT: MUR 572: Committee of 1976 for Bates for Congress,
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In conjunction with the Commission's investigation in MUR 515 of a bank loan to the Committee of 1976 for Bates for Congress (Bates Committee), the principal campaign committee of 1976 House of Representatives candidate Larry Bates, OGC reviewed the Bates Committee's reports. In the course of this review it was noted that the Bates Committee reported receipt of contributions in kind of \$993.75 each from Carl and Vada Puckett, owners and operators of The Barn Restaurant, South Fulton, Tennessee (see Attachment I). On Schedule B of the same report, the Bates Committee stated that the contributions consisted of a "dinner for fundraiser" held on May 31, 1976, (see Attachment II).

A check of the Tennessee Secretary of State's office revealed that The Barn Restaurant is incorporated, raising the question of a possible violation of 2 U.S.C. §441b by the Pucketts and the Bates Committee.

We are referring this matter to your office for appropriate RFAI action. Please advise us of any response from the Bates Committee regarding this matter.

Schedule A
 January 1976
 Federal Election Commission
 2000 K Street, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20040

Committee of 1975 for Dates for Congress
 Contributions for 1975 (Continued), Dates,
 Location, and Amount for Line
 Numbers 10, 11, 12 and/or 13 of FEG Form 3
 (See instructions on back)

Line 10 of 12
 Date (month, day, year) 10/10/75
 (This amount is included for each numbered line)

Name of Line, Date or Committee to full

Committee of 1975 for Dates for Congress

Full name, mailing address and ZIP code Carl Bushnell Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 38061	"Contribution in Kind" Contribution Restaurant Owner and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/30/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$000.75
Name of business The Barn Restaurant Highway 51 South Fulton, TN 38061	Contribution Restaurant Owner and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/30/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$000.75
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code Vera Bushnell Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 38061	"Contribution in Kind" Contribution Restaurant Owner and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/30/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$000.75
Name of business The Barn Restaurant Highway 51 South Fulton, TN 38061	Contribution Restaurant Owner and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/30/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$000.75
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code Don Hardin Box 10 Union City, TN 38061	Contribution Farmer and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/30/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$000.00
Name of business H & O Tool & Die, Inc. 600 West Cheatham Union City, TN 38061	Contribution Farmer and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/30/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$000.00
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code Mary H. Vandy 100 East Street Nashville, TN 37207	Contribution Farmer and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/10/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$1000.00
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code H. A. Santolucito Box 600 Union City, TN 38061	Contribution Farmer and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/10/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$ 500.00
Name of business H. A. Santolucito, Attorney 300 South Third Union City, TN 38061	Contribution Farmer and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/10/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$ 500.00
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code Mary H. Vandy 600 West Cheatham Union City, TN 38061	Contribution Farmer and Operator Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/10/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$ 50.00
Name of business Bank of Holmansville Box 100 Union City, TN 38061	Contribution Bank's Main Deposit Check if Contributor is self-employed Amount Volunteered \$0.00	Date (month, day, year) 9/10/75	Amount of each receipt this period \$ 100.00
Total of receipts this page (attach)			\$ 2,000.50
Total this period (last page this line number only)			\$ 0

ATTACHMENT I

(Itemized) Expenditures
Campaign Financing, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 21, 22, and/or 23 of FEC Form 2
(Do not include transfers)

10-2-76
1000000000
(Amounts should be in dollars and cents)

Name of Committee or Candidate

Committee of 1976 for Dates for Congress

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Mid-South Dental Ass P. O. Box 20000 Memphis, TN 38101	Advertising	6/20/76	\$ 200.00
Jackson Civic Center Jackson, TN 38201	Rent	6/20/76	300.00
The Bankers Life 713 High Street Bos. Holmes, IA 50207	Life and medical insurance premium Life and medical insurance	2/23/76 6/20/76	72.12 55.21
Petty Cash	Union City (Hidgers.) Union City (Hidgers.) Memphis (Hidgers.)	6/6/76 5/6/76 5/7/76	25.00 100.00 100.00
Jackson (Hidgers.) Memphis (Hidgers.) Memphis (Hidgers.)		5/11/76 6/1/76 6/15/76	100.00 00.10 00.10
Carl Fushoff, Jr. Highway 61 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind" Dinner for fundraiser	5/31/76	900.75
Veda Fushoff Highway 61 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind" Dinner for fundraiser	5/31/76	900.75
Washley County Voters Fulton Highway Fulton, TN 38007	"Contribution in Kind" Use of car Use of car	6/15/76 5/22/76	375.00 375.00

Committee or Candidate (optional)
Total (sum of all expenditures) \$ 1,175.00

ATTACHMENT II

DATE 901-885-1642

Schedule D
January 1973
Federal Election Commission
233 U.S. Court, Room 500
Washington, D.C. 20543

(Continued) Expenditures
Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 21, 22, and/or 23 of FEC Form 2
(See instructions on back)

Line 20, 21, 22, 23

Amount (in dollars)

(The amount should be for each
expenditure item.)

Name of Committee or Candidate

Committee of 1976 for Carter for Congress

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Mid-South Dental Ads P. O. Box 24222 Memphis, TN 38121	Advertising	6/20/76	\$ 200.00
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Jackson Civic Center Jackson, TN 38301	Rent	6/30/76	200.00
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
The Bankers Life 711 High Street Des Moines, IA 50307	Life and medical insurance premium	2/23/76	72.12
	Life and medical insurance	6/20/76	55.21
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Petty Cash	Union City (Indep.)	4/6/76	25.00
	Union City (Indep.)	5/8/76	100.00
	Memphis (Indep.)	5/11/76	100.00
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
	Jackson (Indep.)	5/11/76	100.00
	Memphis (Indep.)	6/3/76	22.10
	Memphis (Indep.)	6/10/76	23.10
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Carl Puckett, Jr. Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind"	5/31/76	\$98.75
	Dinner for fundraiser		
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Vada Puckett Highway 51 South South Fulton, TN 42041	"Contribution in Kind"	5/31/76	\$98.75
	Dinner for fundraiser		
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Montgomery County Voters Fulton Highway Fulton, TN 38307	"Contribution in Kind"	6/15/76	\$75.00
	Use of car	6/15/76	\$75.00
	Use of car	6/15/76	\$75.00
Grand total expenditures (line 20).....			\$ 1,000.00
Transfers (line 21).....			\$ 1,000.00

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DATE 9/1/88 BY 164

Schedule A

January 1976
Federal Election Commission
4350 Reservoir Road, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20047Contributions to the Campaigns of
Candidates for the House of Representatives,
Senate, and President for 1976
Numbers 15, 16, 17 and/or 18 of FEO Form 3
(Information only)Page 1 of 1
Date (month, day, year)This document is subject to the provisions of the
Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

Name of candidate or committee to file

Committee of 1976 for Dates for Congress

Full name, mailing address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt this period
Carl Kuchel Highway 57 South South Palmdale, TX 42001 "Contribution to Ward"	5/31/76	
Principal place of business	Signature	
The Corn Restaurant Highway 57 South Palmdale, TX 42001	Restaurant Owner and Operator	\$500.75
	By: Carl Kuchel (Contributor)	
	Amount Verified: \$500.75	
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt this period
Veda Ruston Highway 57 South South Palmdale, TX 42001 "Contribution to Ward"	5/31/76	\$500.75
Principal place of business	Signature	
The Corn Restaurant Highway 57 South Palmdale, TX 42001	Restaurant Owner and Operator	
	By: Carl Kuchel (Contributor)	
	Amount Verified: \$500.75	
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt this period
Tom Kardin Box 10 Union City, TX 30001	6/5/76	\$200.00
Principal place of business	Signature	
H. O. Teal & Co., Inc. 600 West Glenview Union City, TX 30001	Owner and Operator	
	By: Carl Kuchel (Contributor)	
	Amount Verified: \$200.00	
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt this period
Harry E. Voss 100 Glen Street Houston, TX 30007	6/10/76	\$1000.00
Principal place of business	Signature	
	By: Carl Kuchel (Contributor)	
	Amount Verified: \$1000.00	
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt this period
H. J. Sordella Box 1 Tomball, TX 30000 (Houston)	6/10/76	\$ 500.00
Principal place of business	Signature	
H. J. Sordella, Attorney 511 South Third Houston, TX 30001	Attorney	
	By: Carl Kuchel (Contributor)	
	Amount Verified: \$500.00	
Full name, mailing address and ZIP code	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each receipt this period
Orlly D. Tines 611 University Avenue Houston, TX 30000	6/27/76	\$ 50.00
Principal place of business	Signature	
Bank of Hempsteadville Box 111 Houston, TX 30000	Bank Officer Representative	
	By: Carl Kuchel (Contributor)	
	Amount Verified: \$50.00	
Subtotal of receipts this period		\$ 3,000.00
Total this period (list separately for each receipt)		0

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

1325 K STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF MUR # 572

