



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

March 19, 1979

Mr. J.L. Ervin, President
Ervin Supply Corporation
P.O. Box 9098
2516 Dodds Avenue
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412

Re: MUR 765

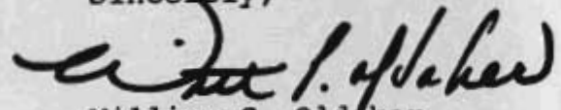
Dear Mr. Ervin:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Ervin Supply Corporation for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. §441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,


William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser



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Mr. J.L. Ervin, President
Ervin Supply Corporation
P.O. Box 9098
2516 Dodds Avenue
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Ervin:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Ervin Supply Corporation for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. 5401b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser

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

March 19, 1979

Mr. Fred Williams
The Varsity Club
304 Fourth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Re: MUR 765

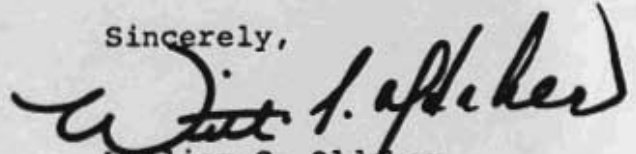
Dear Mr. Williams:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against The Varsity Club for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. §441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,


William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser



Mr. Fred Williams
The Varsity Club
304 Fourth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against The Varsity Club for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal Election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. §441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4996.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

March 19, 1979

Mr. Billy Joe Childress, President
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company, Inc.
Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William C. Oldaker".
William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser



Mr. Billy Joe Childress, President
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company, Inc.
Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

March 19, 1979

Michael A. Nemeroff, Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
c/o Sidley and Austin
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Nemeroff:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Sasser for Senate Committee for accepting corporate contributions in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Accordingly, we will close the file in this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances B. Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James Sasser



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Michael A. Nemeroff, Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
c/o Sidley and Austin
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Nemeroff:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Sasser for Senate Committee for accepting corporate contributions in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Accordingly, we will close the file in this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances B. Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

By:

Charles M. Steele
Associate General Counsel

cc: Honorable James Sasser



BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
)
) MUR 765
Sasser for Senate Committee)
Billy Joe Childress Construction)
Company)
Ervin Supply Corporation)
The Varsity Club)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on March 14, 1979, the Commission determined by a vote of 5-0 to adopt the following recommendations, as set forth in the General Counsel's Report dated March 9, 1979, regarding the above-captioned matter:

1. Take no further action against the Sasser for Senate Committee regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
2. Take no further action against the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
3. Take no further action against the Ervin Supply Corporation regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).

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MUR 765
General Counsel's Report
Dated March 9, 1979
CERTIFICATION

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4. Take no further action against The Varsity Club regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
5. Close the file.
6. Send the letters attached to the above-named report.

Commissioner Thomson recused himself on this matter.

Attest:

3/15/79
Date

Marjorie W. Emmons
Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary to the Commission

Received in Office of Commission Secretary: Friday, 3-9-79, 2:37
Circulated on 48 hour vote basis: Monday, 3-12-79, 4:30

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March 9, 1979

MEMORANDUM TO: Marge Emons
FROM: Elissa T. Garr
SUBJECT: MUR 765

Please have the attached General Counsel's Report
on MUR 765 distributed to the Commission on a 48 hour
tally basis.

Thank you.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

RECEIVED
OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSION SECRETARY

In the Matter of)
)
Sasser for Senate Committee)
Billy Joe Childress Construction)
Company)
Ervin Supply Corporation)
The Varsity Club)

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MUR 765

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

On December 7, 1978, the Commission found reason to believe that the Sasser for Senate Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) by accepting corporate contributions during the 1976 campaign. The following businesses were found to be in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) for making corporate contributions in connection with a federal election: Billy Joe Childress Construction Company, Ervin Supply Corporation, and the Varsity Club. The violations were discovered during a routine audit of the Sasser for Senate Committee.

As reported previously, the Sasser for Senate Committee provided documentation from the Tennessee Secretary of State or the principal representatives of the contributing companies which appeared adequate to verify the source of contributions. The documents indicate that only \$500 of \$7,197 in questioned contributions actually represented corporate funds. The balance was drawn on bank accounts of unincorporated firms, partnerships, or accounts containing no corporate monies. The Committee has refunded this amount to the corporations and has reported the refunds on disclosure reports.

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As the Committee made thorough efforts to determine the source of contributions and made prompt refunds when corporate monies were discovered, we recommend that no further action be taken against the Committee.

The corporate respondents received notification of the finding against them. Mr. Billy Joe Childress, President of the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company, contacted this Office by telephone and later stated in a notarized letter that it was his understanding that the Act allowed a corporate contribution not exceeding \$100 (the amount of his donation). He enclosed a copy of the check to illustrate that it did not identify the company as a corporation.

Mr. J. L. Ervin, President of the Ervin Supply Corporation, submitted a notarized letter explaining his corporation's involvement in this matter. He stated that the check was made payable to Mrs. Barbara Ervin for a service to the company. She then endorsed the check to the Sasser Committee. Respondent states that Mrs. Ervin is not an officer or regular employee of the company.

Mrs. Ervin had spoken with this Office by telephone to explain her role in this transaction. She assured us that the contribution was intended as a personal gift and was not from the Ervin Supply Corporation.

When we were unable to notify the Varsity Club by mail, we reached the respondent by telephone. Mr. Fred Williams,

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owner, stated that he was not aware of the Act's requirements, but that he had received a refund from the Committee.

The information gathered from respondents' statements indicates that no knowing violation occurred in these cases. As corporate monies were refunded, we are recommending that no further action be taken against the respondents.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Take no further action against the Sasser for Senate Committee regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
2. Take no further action against the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
3. Take no further action against the Ervin Supply Corporation regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
4. Take no further action against The Varsity Club regarding the violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
5. Close the file.
6. Send the attached letters.

Date

3/9/79

William C. Oldaker
William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

by Lloyd Johnson

ATTACHMENTS:

Letters to: Michael A. Nemeroff, Billy Joe Childress,
J. L. Ervin, and Fred Williams

Attachment #1, Attachment #2

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Childress Construction Co., Inc.

Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Phone (901) 635-1336

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FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION

December 14, 1978

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Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20463

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

In regard to your letter, dated December 7, 1978, concerning my contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee, when I authorized my secretary to write this check, I was under the impression that a corporation could make a donation to a campaign if the amount did not exceed one hundred dollars. Since that time I have learned different.

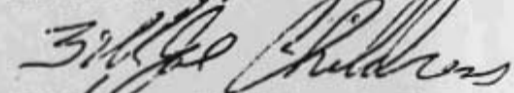
Since the bank failed to place the Inc. on our checks when they were printed, there was no way that the recipient could have known that we were incorporated.

All that I can say is we did donate to the Sasser for Senate Committee one hundred dollars on 4-20-77.

I am sorry this happened and I can assure you it will not happen again. Any consideration you could give us I would deeply appreciate it.

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Yours Truly,



Billy Joe Childress, Pres.
Childress Const. Co., Inc.

BJC/pbp

Sworn to and acknowledged before me this the 14 day of December 1978.
Notary Public Penny Puzdell In and for the County of Lauderdale.
My commission expires September 15, 1981.

Attachment I, p. 1

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

Mr. Billy Joe Childress, President
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company, Inc.
Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

By:

Charles N. Steele
Associate General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

Mr. Fred Williams
The Varsity Club
304 Fourth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against The Varsity Club for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. §441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

By:

Charles N. Steele
Associate General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

Mr. J.L. Ervin, President
Ervin Supply Corporation
P.O. Box 9098
2516 Dodds Avenue
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Ervin:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Ervin Supply Corporation for making corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election as prohibited by 2 U.S.C. §441b(a). Accordingly, the Commission will close its file in this matter as it relates to you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

By:

Charles N. Steele
Associate General Counsel

cc: Honorable James R. Sasser

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

Michael A. Nemeroff, Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
c/o Sidley and Austin
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Nemeroff:

The Federal Election Commission has determined to take no further action against the Sasser for Senate Committee for accepting corporate contributions in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). Accordingly, we will close the file in this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Frances B. Hagan at (202) 523-4006.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

By:

Charles N. Steele
Associate General Counsel

cc: Honorable James Sasser





FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

MEMORANDUM TO

CHARLES STEELE

FROM:

MARJORIE W. EMMONS *MWE*

DATE:

JANUARY 16, 1979

SUBJECT:

MUR 765 - Interim Investigative Report
dated 1-10-79; Received in OCS
Friday, January 12, 1979, 3:21

The above-named document was circulated on a 24
hour no-objection basis at 3:30, Monday, January 15, 1979.

The Commission Secretary's Office has received
no objections to the Interim Investigative Report as
of 4:00 this date.

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January 12, 1979

MEMORANDUM TO: Marge Emmons
FROM: Eliasa T. Carr
SUBJECT: MUR 765

Please have the attached Interim Invest Report on
MUR 765 distributed to the Commission.

Thank you.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

January 10, 1979

RECEIVED
OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSION SECRETARY

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In the Matter of)

Sasser for Senate Committee)

Billy Joe Childress)

Construction Company)

Ervin Supply Corporation)

The Varsity Club)

MUR 765

INTERIM INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

On December 7, 1978, the Commission found reason to believe that the Sasser for Senate Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) by accepting corporate contributions during the 1976 campaign. The following businesses were found to be in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) for making corporate contributions in connection with a federal election: Billy Joe Childress Construction Co., Ervin Supply Corporation, and The Varsity Club.

Three of the four respondents received notification of the findings against them and contacted this office both by telephone and by notarized statement. The fourth respondent apparently did not receive written notification, but was reached by telephone. He agreed to provide a statement regarding the transaction upon receipt of the findings letter.

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When we receive the final statement, we will offer
a recommendation for the Commission's consideration.

1/12/79
DATE

William C. O'Daker
WILLIAM C. O'DAKER
GENERAL COUNSEL

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#705 5911
ERVIN Supply Corp.

Exclusively Wholesale

• DISTRIBUTORS OF FLOOR COVERINGS •

• CERAMIC TILE •

• DECORATIVE LAMINATES •

P. O. Box 9098
2516 Dodds Avenue
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412

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December 15, 1978

Hagan

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Mr. William C. Oldaker
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission

Dear Mr. Oldaker;

In regards to the check in question of \$100.00, paid to Mrs. Barbara Ervin, was paid to her for a service performed for Ervin Supply Corp.

Mrs. Ervin inadvertently endorsed the check which she donated to the Sasser Campaign.

Mrs. Ervin is in no way connected with Ervin Supply Corporation as an officer or a regular employee.

The Sasser Campaign Committee has reimbursed Ervin Supply Corporation for the check in question.

Sincerely,
Ervin Supply Corp.

J. L. Ervin
J.L. Ervin, Pres.



Attachment II

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Supply Corp.

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Exclusive Wholesale
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2516 Dodds Avenue
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412

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December 15, 1978

Mr. William C. Oldaker
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission

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The Sasser Campaign Committee has reimbursed Ervin Supply Corporation for the check in question.

Sincerely,
Ervin Supply Corp.

J. L. Ervin
J.L. Ervin, Pres.

Richard D. C...

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ERVIN SUPPLY CORP.

P. O. BOX 9098

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE 37412



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Mr. William C. Oldaker
Federal Election Commission
1325 K St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

ATTN: Ms. Frances B. Hagan

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Childress Construction Co., Inc.

Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Phone (901) 635-1356

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FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION

December 14, 1978

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Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20463

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

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All that I can say is we did donate to the Sasser for Senate Committee one hundred dollars on 4-20-77.

I am sorry this happened and I can assure you it will not happen again. Any consideration you could give us I would deeply appreciate it.

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Yours Truly,

Billy Joe Childress
Billy Joe Childress, Pres.
Childress Const. Co., Inc.

BJC/pbp

Sworn to and acknowledged before me this the 14 day of December 1978.
Notary Public Pammy Pussell In and for the County of Lauderdale.
My commission expires September 15, 1981.

BILLY JOE CHILDRESS
CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
ROUTE 4
RIPLEY, TENN. 38063

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PAY
TO THE
ORDER OF

4-20 1977
Sasser for Senator PAID

\$100.00

One hundred & 00/100

DOLLARS



BANK OF RIPLEY
RIPLEY, TENN.
The wide-awake bank

CHILDRESS CONSTRUCTION CO.

For donation

Billy Joe Childress

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF

United American Bank

FOR DEPOSIT ONLY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

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UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENN.
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BILLY JOE CHILDRESS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

Ripley, Tennessee 38063



Att: Frances B. Hagan : 2 Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20463

CERTIFIED

No. 641721

MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

December 7, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Varsity Club
304 Fourth Avenue South
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Varsity Club made a contribution to the Sasser for Senator Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b (a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances B. Hagan, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4006.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. C. Oldaker", is written over the typed name.

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Mr. Michael Nemeroff, Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee

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PS Form 3817, Apr 1977 RETURN RECEIPT, REGISTERED, INSURED AND CERTIFIED MAIL

● SENDER: Complete items 1, 2, and 3.
Add your address in the "RETURN TO" space on reverse.

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2. ARTICLE ADDRESSED TO:
*Fred Williams
The Varsity Club*

3. ARTICLE DESCRIPTION:
REGISTERED NO. _____ CERTIFIED NO. *943579* INSURED NO. _____
(Always obtain signature of addressee or agent)

I have received the article described above
SIGNATURE ☒ Addressee ☐ Authorized agent
CONNIE CAMPBELL

4. DATE OF DELIVERY
1-15-79

5. ADDRESS (Complete only if requested)
*Box 4, Rt. 50
Smithville, Tenn 37078*

6. UNABLE TO DELIVER BECAUSE: _____
CLERK'S INITIALS _____

SMITHVILLE TENN
JAN 16 1979
U.S. MAIL



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

December 7, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Michael Nemeroff
Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
Sidley and Austin
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Nemeroff:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe your Committee may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Sasser for Senate Committee accepted corporate contributions during the 1976 elections in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. Please submit any factual or legal materials not already submitted to the Audit Division which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Frances B. Hagan, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4006.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. Section 437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James Sasser

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2 ARTICLE ADDRESSED TO
Michael Nemiroff
Seaver Int'l.

3 ARTICLE DESCRIPTION
 REGISTERED NO. CERTIFIED NO. INSURED NO.
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 (Always obtain signature of addressee or agent)

I have received the article described above
 SIGNATURE ☐ Addressee ☐ Authorized agent
C. Nichols

4 DATE OF DELIVERY POSTMARK
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

December 7, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Billy Joe Childress
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company
Central Road
Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Childress:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe that your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company made a contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances B. Hagan, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4006.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Sasser for Senate Committee

PS Form 3811, Apr. 1977

RETURN RECEIPT REGISTERED INSURED AND CERTIFIED MAIL

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Bill G. White

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

December 7, 1978

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mrs. Barbara Ervin
Ervin Supply Corporation
McDonald, Tennessee 37353

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mrs. Ervin:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe that your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Ervin Supply Corporation made a contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances B. Hagan, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4006.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William C. Oldaker", is written over the "Sincerely," text.

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Sasser for Senate Committee

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PS Form 3811, Apr 1977

RETURN RECEIPT, REGISTERED, INSURED AND CERTIFIED MAIL

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2. ARTICLE ADDRESSED TO
Mrs Barbara Egan

3. ARTICLE DESCRIPTION
REGISTERED NO. CERTIFIED NO. INSURED NO.
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I have received the article described above
SIGNATURE ☐ Addressee ☒ Authorized agent
George Egan

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12/11/78

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December 4, 1978

MEMORANDUM TO: Marge Emmons
FROM: Eliana T. Garr
SUBJECT: MUR 765

Please have the attached First General Counsel's
Report on MUR 765 distributed to the Commission on a 48
hour tally basis.

Thank you.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 765
Sasser for Senate Committee)
Billy Joe Childress Construction)
Company)
Ervin Supply Corporation)
The Varsity Club)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on December 7, 1978, the Commission determined by a vote of 5-0 to adopt the following recommendations, as set forth in the First General Counsel's Report dated December 4, 1978, regarding the above-captioned matter:

1. Find reason to believe that the Sasser for Senate Committee violated 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
2. Find reason to believe that the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company violated 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
3. Find reason to believe that the Ervin Supply Corporation violated 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
4. Find reason to believe that the Varsity Club violated 2 U.S.C. §441b(a).
5. Send the letters attached to the above-named report.

Commissioner Thomson recuses himself in this matter.

Attest:

12/7/78
Date

Marjorie W. Emmons
Marjorie W. Emmons
Secretary to the Commission

Received in Office of Commission Secretary: 12-4-78, 5:21
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

FILED
OF THE
SECRETARY

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL
BY OGC TO COMMISSION DEC 4 1978

MUR NO 4 7055: 21
STAFF MEMBER(S) Hagan

SOURCE OF MUR: INTERNALLY GENERATED
RESPONDENT'S NAME: Sasser for Senate Committee
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company
Ervin Supply Corporation
The Varsity Club
RELEVANT STATUTE: 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED: Audit

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED: None

GENERATION OF MATTER

This matter was referred to the Office of General Counsel by the Audit Division as a result of a random audit of the Sasser for Senate Committee.

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS

Billy Joe Childress Construction Company, Ervin Supply Corporation, and the Varsity Club violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) by making contributions to the Sasser for Senate Committee.

The Sasser for Senate Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) by accepting corporate contributions in connection with a Federal election.

LEGAL ANALYSIS

During the audit of the Sasser for Senate Committee ("the Committee"), auditors discovered 27 contributions from 21 apparent corporations. The auditors advised the Committee to refund all corporate contributions or provide evidence to show that the contributions were not from corporate sources.

In response, the Committee reviewed its records and contacted both the Secretary of State's Office and the contributors to determine which monies were refundable. According to the Committee, only \$500 of the \$7,197 in questioned contributions actually represented corporate funds. The Committee has refunded this amount to the corporations and has reported the refunds on disclosure reports.

For each contribution, the Committee obtained verification from the Tennessee Secretary of State or a signed statement from the principal representative of the contributing company. These efforts revealed that 22 questioned contributions totalling \$6,697 were drawn on accounts of unincorporated firms, partnerships, or accounts containing no corporate monies.

The Committee bookkeeper advised the auditors that it was the Committee's practice to verify the corporate status of contributions received from business entities by contacting the appropriate Secretary of State by telephone. Memoranda of these conversations was not maintained.

When the information was received, the Audit Division referred this matter to the Office of General Counsel for review. Our examination of the documents indicates that the Committee made thorough efforts to obtain the necessary verification of corporate status, and made prompt refunds when corporate monies proved to be the source of contributions. The statements from principals of businesses and the Tennessee Secretary of State's letter appear adequate to show the source of contributions. Only statements from the corporations are not included in the documents.

Therefore, we recommend that the Commission find reason to believe that violations of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) occurred by the contribution and receipt of corporate monies.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Find reason to believe that the Sasser for Senate Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
2. Find reason to believe that the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
3. Find reason to believe that the Ervin Supply Corporation violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
4. Find reason to believe that the Varsity Club violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
5. Send attached letters.

ATTACHMENTS:

Referral from Audit Division - 25 pages
(Includes 21 pages of Committee documents)
4 Letters



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

October 6, 1978

MEMORANDUM

TO : Bill Oldaker

THROUGH : Orlando B. Potter

FROM : *R.P.C.* Bob Costa/Joe Stoltz *JS*

SUBJECT : Receipt of Corporate Contributions

During an audit of the Sasser For Senate Committee ("the Committee"), the following matter was noted. The matter is referred to your office for further consideration and possible Matter Under Review treatment in addition to MUR 625 (78).

Any questions regarding the matter may be directed to Joanne McSorley or Dan Boyle on extension 34155.

Attachment as stated



Receipt of Corporate Contributions

Section 441b(a) of Title 2 of the United States Code states, in part, that it is unlawful for any corporation to make a contribution or expenditure in connection with any Federal election to political office, and it is unlawful for any candidate, political committee, or other person to knowingly accept or receive any such contributions from a corporation.

A review of the Committee's contribution records including copies of contributor checks and verification with the appropriate Secretaries of State, indicated that 21 corporations made 27 contributions, totaling \$7,197, to the Sasser for Senate Committee (see Attachment I).

During the audit, we were advised by the Committee bookkeeper that the corporate status of contributions received from business entities was verified by telephone with the appropriate Secretary of State. However, memoranda pertaining to the verifications was not retained by the Committee.

Based on the Audit staff's recommendation that the Committee refund the corporate contributions, or provide evidence that the contributions were not funded from corporate sources, the treasurer submitted copies of five (5) Committee checks used to refund five (5) of the contributions totaling \$500.00. In addition, the treasurer provided written documentation which, in his opinion, demonstrates that the remaining 22 contributions totaling \$6,697.00 were not funded from corporate sources. (Attachment 2)

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

Schedule of Apparent Corporate Contributions
Received During Audit Period

<u>Name of Corporation</u>	<u>Date of Incorporation</u>	<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>
Automatic Temperature Control Company	4/24/72	9/2/76	\$ 50.00
Baker Oil Company	9/24/71	9/15/76	100.00
Belz Investment Company	12/30/55	7/1/76	50.00
		9/3/76	200.00
		9/28/76	150.00
		3/16/77	200.00
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company	12/11/69	4/20/77	100.00
Browning-Scott Company	5/1/72	8/5/76	100.00
Charles E. Smith, Builder	7/7/67	9/30/76	250.00
Country Store	7/1/70	7/21/76	100.00
Davis Cement Company	5/14/75	8/5/76	1,000.00
		10/13/76	1,000.00
Day Company, Special	3/25/69	9/21/76	1,000.00
		12/27/76	500.00
Dickson Prescription Center	6/16/75	10/15/76	25.00
Ervin Supply Corporation	11/19/64	8/27/76	100.00
Farmer's Livestock Market, Inc.	7/7/47	10/16/76	1.00
Gulas Wrestling Attraction	3/20/74	8/27/76	500.00
Interstate Construction	12/2/52	7/19/76	1,000.00
J. T. Dugger & Son, Inc.	5/3/62	8/6/76	196.00
Men's World	2/11/72	4/6/77	100.00

Attachment I

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

Schedule of Apparent Corporate Contributions
Received During Audit Period

<u>Name of Corporation</u>	<u>Date of Incorporation</u>	<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>
Powell Farms	12/21/61	3/8/77	\$ 50.00
Southern Foam Sales	6/1/76	4/21/77	25.00
The Varsity Club	8/26/76	10/8/76	250.00
W. G. Ingram Oil Company	8/10/67	7/16/76	50.00
		9/21/76	50.00
W. H. Criswell-Sales and Leases	11/15/60	9/28/76	50.00
Total			<u>\$7,197.00</u>

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20006
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60603
TELEPHONE 312: 329-5400
TELEX 25-4304
EUROPEAN OFFICE
6 HOLLAND PARK
LONDON, W11 3TH, ENGLAND
TELEPHONE 01-727-1416
TELEX 21701

July 18, 1978

Mr. Charles Hanshaw
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Hanshaw:

Enclosed is the response of the Sasser for Senate Committee to the Commission's letter of June 21, 1978. We have made our best efforts to comply with the Commission's recommendations. While this response contains most of the information requested by the Commission, we are still receiving material in answer to some of our requests. In particular, although we have made repeated inquiries, we have not collected all of the receipts for expenditures by the Committee. We will continue to submit these receipts as we receive them.

In addition, we have now completed our review of contributions which the Commission considered as possibly from corporations. The Commission identified 27 contributions totalling \$7,197.00. Upon review, we have determined that \$610 (8 contributions) should be refunded. We have submitted records demonstrating that the other contributions are not from corporations. Refund checks have been mailed (Copies of the checks with an explanation are enclosed.); we will supply copies of cancelled checks when we receive them.

As explained to you in our letter of May 11, 1978, the Committee made extensive efforts to

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Mr. Charles Hanshaw
July 18, 1978
Page Two

avoid the acceptance of corporate contributions.
In view of the few instances in which refunds were
required, we believe that we have demonstrated our
good faith intention to comply with the law.

After you have reviewed these records,
please let us know if there is any additional infor-
mation for us to supply.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Nemeroff
Michael A. Nemeroff

MAN:pv
Enclosures

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BILLY JOE CHILDRESS
CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
ROUTE 4
RIPLEY, TENN. 38063

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PAY
TO THE
ORDER OF

4-20 1977
Gasser for Senator DAVIS

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RIPLEY, TENN.
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CHILDRESS CONSTRUCTION CO.

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

Schedule of contributions questioned as being corporate funds

Automatic Temperature Control Company	9/26/76	50.00	See attached memo ✓
Baker Oil Company Jackson, Tennessee	9/15/76	100.00	See letter from Secretary of State. I talked to Mr. K. F. Baker and he stated his firm was in no way connected with Baker Oil Co. of Gallatin, Tennessee .
Belz Investment Company	7/1/76 9/3/76 9/28/76 3/16/76	50.00 200.00 150.00 200.00	Letter attached. ✓
Billy Joe Childress Construction Co.	4/20/77	100.00	Refund
Browning-Scott Company	8/5/76	100.00	Letter attached ✓
Charles E. Smith, Builder	9/30/76	250.00	See letter from Secretary of State.
Country Store Franklin, Tennessee	7/21/76	100.00	See letter from Secretary of State. I talked to Mr. Wilson Herbert and he stated his store was in no way connected with The Country Store, Inc. of Gatlinburg, Tennessee
Davis Cement Company	8/5/76 10/13/76	1,000.00 1,000.00	Letter attached. ✓
Day Company, Special	9/21/76 12/27/76	1,000.00 500.00	Letter attached. ✓
Dickson Prescription Center	10/15/76	25.00	Refund
Ervin Supply Corporation	8/27/76	100.00	Refund
Farmer's Livestock Market, Inc.	10/16/76	1.00	Carroll Smith, a teenage from Greeneville, received this check for the sale of an animal. She endorsed the check and donated this dollar to the camp.

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Gulas Wrestling Attractions	8/27/76	500.00	Mr. Nick Gulas stated this checking account is his personal account and is not the corporate check which is in the name of the corporation, Gulas Wrestling Enterprises, Inc. ✓
Interstate Construction Company	7/19/76	1,000.00	Letter attached. ✓
J. T. Dugger & Son, Inc.	8/6/76	196.00	This check is a refund on expenditures and is so reflected on the proper FEC report.
Men's World Manchester, Tennessee	4/6/77	100.00	The Secretary of State's office has a corporation listed as Men's World, Inc. in Knoxville. I have talked to Mr. Royce Adams and he stated his clothing firm was in no way connected with the firm in Knoxville, Tenn.
Powell Farms	3/8/77	50.00	Letter attached. ✓
Southern Foam Sales	6/1/76	25.00	Refund
The Varsity Club	10/8/76	250.00	Refund
W. G. Ingram Oil Co.	7/16/76	50.00	Letter clearing this matter is in the mail.
	9/21/76	50.00	→ now included
W. H. Criswell	9/28/76	50.00	Letter attached.
TOTAL		\$ 7,197.00	

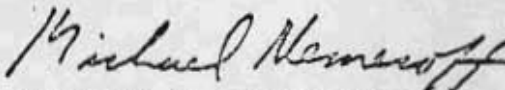
30 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

July 18, 1978

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the recommendation of the Federal Election Commission, we are hereby refunding the contribution made by your organization to the Sasser for Senate Committee. Corporations are prohibited by Federal law from making a contribution to a candidate for Federal office. Although the Committee did not realize that your organization was incorporated when it accepted your contribution, that fact became clear as a result of the Commission's audit of the Committee's books and records. Until the Federal Election Commission concludes its audit, the Committee would appreciate it if you would treat this refund as confidential information. If you have any questions concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 202/624-9037.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Nemeroff
Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee

MAN:pv

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: The Files
FROM: Michael A. Nemeroff
RE: Contribution of Automatic Temperature
Control Company
DATE: July 13, 1978

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A contribution was received from Automatic Temperature Control Company, 723 Cameo Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37211 (615/833-4209) which is the business named used by Fred Ganick. His company is not incorporated and is located in Nashville, Tennessee. The only incorporated entity using a similar name is Automatic Temperature Control Corporation, 4207 Weaver Road, Memphis, Tennessee, Dot Baker spoke with Mr. Ganick and confirmed that his company is not associated with the Memphis corporation.

M.A.N.

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STATE OF TENNESSEE
SECRETARY OF STATE
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37219

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ARY OF STATE
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S. P. BRADLEY
IVE ASSISTANT
L BLDG. 741-2816

July 5, 1978

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

500 CAPITOL HILL BLDG. 741-7008

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61-101 CENTRAL SERVICE BLDG. 741-7288

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PUBLICATIONS

904 CAPITOL HILL BLDG. 741-7954

TRADEMARK SECTION

CAPITOL BLDG. 741-2817

UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE

61-101 CENTRAL SERVICE BLDG. 741-7276

Mrs. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, TN 37202

RE: BAKER OIL CO., COUNTRY STORE, AND CHARLES E. SMITH BUILDER

Dear Mrs. Baker:

In checking the corporate files, I find that BAKER OIL CO. is a Tennessee corporation located in Gallatin, Tennessee. I failed to find that BAKER OIL CO. is located in Jackson, TN. I also find that COUNTRY STORE, INC. is a Tennessee corporation located in Gatlinburg; I find no corporation listed as COUNTRY STORE, INC. located in Franklin, Tennessee. I failed to find a corporation listed as CHARLES E. SMITH BUILDER.

Please feel free to contact this office if additional information is desired.

Very truly yours,

Gentry Crowell
GENTRY CROWELL
Secretary of State

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BELZ Investment Company

April 21, 1978

Mrs. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Mrs. Baker:

This letter is written to advise you that the Belz Investment Company is a Partnership composed of Philip Belz and Jack A. Belz, and is not incorporated. The contribution we made to the Sasser for Senate campaign did not involve any corporate funds whatever, but was on behalf of the two partners as individuals.

Very truly yours,

BELZ INVESTMENT COMPANY

Jack A. Belz
Jack A. Belz
Partner

Jack Belz was out of the office when this letter was typed and has asked me to sign to send a copy in its delivery to you.

JAB/jaw



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Investments

SUITE 103B, HOBBS BUILDING
4205 HILLSBORO ROAD
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37215

TELEPHONE
(615) 257-9575

May 22, 1978

Mrs. Dot Baker
Sasser For Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tenn. 37202

Dear Mrs. Baker:

Mr. Browning and I operate several different businesses. One of them is called Browning-Scott Corporation.

The contribution you called me about today was made from Browning-Scott Company. It was our check #599 dated 8-5-76. I enclose a copy of the check (blank and void) for reference. This should clear up the problem.

Yours truly,

G. T. Scott
G. T. Scott

BROWNING - SCOTT COMPANY

4950 LINDAR DRIVE
NASHVILLE, TENN. 37211

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Commerce
Union Bank

600 Main Street Office
Nashville, Tennessee

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TO: Dot Baker, Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee

I, Alton R. Davis, do hereby certify that the funds in the checking account listed as Davis Cement Company were the personal funds of Alton R. Davis and wife and were separate from the funds of Davis Cement Company, Inc. and that the contributions made to the Sasser for Senate Campaign in 1976 were personal funds of Alton R. Davis and wife.

Alton R. Davis - 5-8-78
Date

Alton R. Davis
P. O. Box G
Estill Springs, TN 37330

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CLARENCE CHARNES DAY


April 24, 1978

Ms. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate
P.O. Box 23102
Nashville, TN 37202

Dear Ms. Baker:

In response to your recent inquiry concerning contributions made by Clarence Day to the Sasser Campaign, the checks dated 9-21-76 for \$1,000 and 12-27-76 for \$500 were written on the Day Company Special account. This account is a personal investment bank account and is not used by any of the Day Corporations. The above checks were written as personal contributions to Mr. Sasser's political campaign.

Yours very truly,



CCD:rsa

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ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Inter-State
CONSTRUCTION CO.

PHONE 833-8527

5610 NOLENSVILLE ROAD • P. O. BOX 110096
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37211

April 20, 1978

Ms. Dot Baker, Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Ms. Baker

In accordance with our telephone conversation this date, this is to verify the fact that 'Inter-State Construction Company of Nashville, Tennessee' is an affiliated corporation of 'Inter-State Construction Company, a Limited Partnership.'

On July 19, 1976 we sent you our check No. 775 in the amount of \$1,000.00, payable to 'Jim Sasser'. This check was written on the partnership account, and each of the ten partners participated in the contribution to the extent of \$100.00 each. Therefore, this contribution was a personal contribution and not a contribution from a corporation account.

We trust this information will be sufficient for your needs.

Yours very truly,

INTER-STATE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

Walter E. Richardson, III, Partner

WERH:do

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Route 1, Hunter Hills
Sweetwater, TN 37874
May 22, 1978

Mrs. Dorothy Baker
Sasser for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

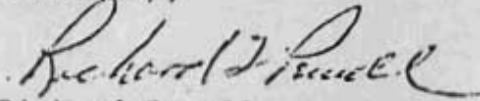
Dear Mrs. Baker:

This letter is to confirm our conversation of
this date.

The contribution made to Senator Sasser on March 8,
1977 in the amount of \$50.00 was written on the account
of Powell Farms, a partnership, which is separate and
apart from Powell Farms, Inc., a corporation.

If further information is needed, please advise.

Sincerely,


Richard Powell

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW
& PROFESSIONAL BUILDING
DICKSON, TENNESSEE 37055

July 12, 1978

POST OFFICE BOX 180
100 N. MATTHEW DRIVE
DICKSON 445-2981
NASHVILLE 226-1440

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IRNEY D. NICHEN
BERT C. BURCH
MICHAEL HOWARD, IV
COUNSEL
THOMAS W. DEAN, EV

Mrs. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer Assessor
for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Re: W. G. Ingram Oil Company,
Inc.

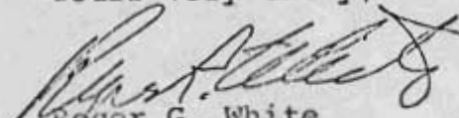
Dear Mrs. Baker:

In reference to your inquiry concerning the status of W. G. Ingram Oil Co., Inc., please be advised that this corporate charter was obtained by me for the Ingrams on the 10th day of August, 1967. After the charter was obtained, the Ingrams decided not to activate the corporation and this corporation has never done business in any form. The decision was made to keep the charter "alive" by the payment of minimum franchise and excise taxes.

W. G. Ingram Oil Co., Inc. has never possessed a bank account, and consequently, could not have made a political contribution by check. W. G. Ingram Oil Co. was in existence prior to obtaining a charter and it continued in existence, without change, after the charter was obtained and W. G. Ingram Oil Co., to the best of my knowledge, was at that time a partnership composed of W. G. Ingram, Sr., W. G. Ingram, Jr. and Ted S. Ingram.

If I can be of any further service, please advise.

Yours very truly,


Roger G. White
Attorney-at-Law

RGW/cs

W. H. CRISWELL,
CHAIRMAN-TREASURER

B. T. WRIGHT,
PRESIDENT

U. H. CRISWELL CO., INC. REALTOR

FIRST AMERICAN CENTER
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37238 • PHONE 244-7470

May 22, 1978

Ms. Dot Baker
P O Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee
37202

Dear Ms. Baker:

Enclosed is Xerox copy of Mr. Criswell's personal check which was a contribution to Mr. Sasser's campaign in 1976. This was not a corporate check.

Mr. Criswell died March 6, 1977, which explains why I am answering your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

B. T. Wright

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W. H. CRISWELL
SALES AND LEASES - BUSINESS PROPERTY
FIRST AMERICAN CENTER
NASHVILLE, TENN. 37238

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DATE Sept. 28 19 76

PAY
TO THE
ORDER OF

Sasser for Senate

\$ 50.00

EXACTLY FIFTY AND 00 CTS

DOLLARS



Commerce Union Bank
Main Office
Nashville, Tennessee

W. H. CRISWELL
SALES AND LEASES - BUSINESS PROPERTY

For Contribution

[Signature]

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

1097

87-228
640 1PAY TO THE
ORDER OF*Ervin Supply Corporation*\$ 100^{00/100}*one hundred dollars*

DOLLARS

UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

*Michael Menneroff*FOR *refund of contribution*

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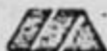
SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

1098

87-228
640 1PAY TO THE
ORDER OF*Southern Forum Sales*\$ 25^{00/100}*twenty-five dollars*

DOLLARS

UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

*Michael Menneroff*FOR *refund of contribution*

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

1099

87-228
640 1PAY TO THE
ORDER OF*The Varsity Club*\$ 250^{00/100}*two hundred and fifty dollars*

DOLLARS

UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

*Michael Menneroff*FOR *refund of contribution*

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER

NASHVILLE, TN 37219

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Dasham Prescription Center

July 18 1978
\$25.00

twenty-five dollars 00/100

DOLLARS



UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

Michael Kemeroff

FOR *refund of contribution*

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

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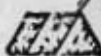
PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Billy Joe Childrens Construction Co.

\$ 150.00

one hundred and fifty dollars 00/100

DOLLARS



UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE J.D. NO. 8-2152

Michael Pleneroff

FOR *refund for two contributions*

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Attachment 2, page-3

Auditor's note

\$50.00 of the above amount represents the refund of a contribution made to Area Wide Rally which is addressed in MUR 625(78).

Schedule B

July 1976
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Itemized Expenditures

Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfer

for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

(see instructions on back)

Page ____ of ____ for

LINE NUMBER 22

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE - GENERAL ELECTION

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Automatic Temperature Control Co.
114 - 29th Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37203

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
dated 9/2/76

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

50.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

The Varsity Club
304 - 4th Avenue South
Nashville, TN 37201

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
dated 10/8/76

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

250.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Dickson Prescription Center
108 Highway 70 East
Dickson, TN 37055

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
dated 10/15/76

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

25.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Billy Joe Childress Construction Co
Central Road
Ripley, TN 38063

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
dated 4/20/77

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

100.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Southern Foam Sales
61 West Colorado
Memphis, TN 38106

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
dated 4/21/77

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

25.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional).

\$ 450.00

Total this period (last page this line number only).

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Itemized Expenditures
Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfer
for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

(see Instructions on back)

Page _____ of _____ for

LINE NUMBER 22

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE - PRIMARY ELECTION

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Ervin Supply Corporation c/o Mrs. Barbara Ervin McDonald, TN 37353	Refund of contribution dated 8/27/76		100.00
Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
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Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code	Purpose of Expenditure	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of each expenditure this period
Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional).			\$ 100.00
Total this period (last page this line number only).			\$

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mrs. Barbara Ervin
Ervin Supply Corporation
McDonald, Tennessee 37353

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mrs. Ervin:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe that your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Ervin Supply Corporation made a contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances B. Hagan, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4006.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Sasser for Senate Committee



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Billy Joe Childress
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company
Central Road
Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Childress:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe that your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company made a contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

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cc: Sasser for Senate Committee



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Michael Nemeroff
Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
Sidley and Austin
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Nemeroff:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe your Committee may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Sasser for Senate Committee accepted corporate contributions during the 1976 elections in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

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William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Honorable James Sasser



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Varsity Club
304 Fourth Avenue South
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Varsity Club made a contribution to the Sasser for Senator Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b (a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

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William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Mr. Michael Nemeroff, Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

October 6, 1978

MEMORANDUM

TO : Bill Oldaker

THROUGH : Orlando B. Potter *OBP*

FROM : *RC* Bob Costa/Joe Stolts *JS*

SUBJECT : Receipt of Corporate Contributions

During an audit of the Sasser For Senate Committee ("the Committee"), the following matter was noted. The matter is referred to your office for further consideration and possible Matter Under Review treatment in addition to MUR 625 (78).

Any questions regarding the matter may be directed to Joanne McSorley or Dan Boyle on extension 34155.

Attachment as stated





FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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

October 6, 1978

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Receipt of Corporate Contributions

Section 441b(a) of Title 2 of the United States Code states, in part, that it is unlawful for any corporation to make a contribution or expenditure in connection with any Federal election to political office, and it is unlawful for any candidate, political committee, or other person to knowingly accept or receive any such contributions from a corporation.

A review of the Committee's contribution records including copies of contributor checks and verification with the appropriate Secretaries of State, indicated that 21 corporations made 27 contributions, totaling \$7,197, to the Sasser for Senate Committee (see Attachment I).

During the audit, we were advised by the Committee bookkeeper that the corporate status of contributions received from business entities was verified by telephone with the appropriate Secretary of State. However, memoranda pertaining to the verifications was not retained by the Committee.

Based on the Audit staff's recommendation that the Committee refund the corporate contributions, or provide evidence that the contributions were not funded from corporate sources, the treasurer submitted copies of five (5) Committee checks used to refund five (5) of the contributions totaling \$500.00. In addition, the treasurer provided written documentation which, in his opinion, demonstrates that the remaining 22 contributions totaling \$6,697.00 were not funded from corporate sources. (Attachment 2)

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

**Schedule of Apparent Corporate Contributions
Received During Audit Period**

<u>Name of Corporation</u>	<u>Date of Incorporation</u>	<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>
Automatic Temperature Control Company	4/24/72	9/2/76	\$ 50.00
Baker Oil Company	9/24/71	9/15/76	100.00
Belz Investment Company	12/30/55	7/1/76	50.00
		9/3/76	200.00
		9/28/76	150.00
		3/16/77	200.00
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company	12/11/69	4/20/77	100.00
Browning-Scott Company	5/1/72	8/5/76	100.00
Charles E. Smith, Builder	7/7/67	9/30/76	250.00
Country Store	7/1/70	7/21/76	100.00
Davis Cement Company	5/14/75	8/5/76	1,000.00
		10/13/76	1,000.00
Day Company, Special	3/25/69	9/21/76	1,000.00
		12/27/76	500.00
Dickson Prescription Center	6/16/75	10/15/76	25.00
Ervin Supply Corporation	11/19/64	8/27/76	100.00
Farmer's Livestock Market, Inc.	7/7/47	10/16/76	1.00
Gulas Wrestling Attraction	3/20/74	8/27/76	500.00
Interstate Construction	12/2/52	7/19/76	1,000.00
J. T. Dugger & Son, Inc.	5/3/62	8/6/76	196.00
Men's World	2/11/72	4/6/77	100.00

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Attachment I

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

**Schedule of Apparent Corporate Contributions
Received During Audit Period**

<u>Name of Corporation</u>	<u>Date of Incorporation</u>	<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>
Powell Farms	12/21/61	3/8/77	\$ 50.00
Southern Foam Sales	6/1/76	4/21/77	25.00
The Varsity Club	8/26/76	10/8/76	250.00
W. G. Ingram Oil Company	8/10/67	7/16/76 9/21/76	50.00 50.00
<i>Admin File p 108</i> W. H. Criswell-Sales and Leases	11/15/60	9/28/76	50.00
Total			<u>\$7,197.00</u>

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9 HOLLAND FARR
LONDON, W11 0TH, ENGLAND
TELEPHONE 01: 727-1416
TELEX 21781

July 18, 1978

Mr. Charles Hanshaw
Federal Election Commission
1325 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Hanshaw:

Enclosed is the response of the Sasser for Senate Committee to the Commission's letter of June 21, 1978. We have made our best efforts to comply with the Commission's recommendations. While this response contains most of the information requested by the Commission, we are still receiving material in answer to some of our requests. In particular, although we have made repeated inquiries, we have not collected all of the receipts for expenditures by the Committee. We will continue to submit these receipts as we receive them.

In addition, we have now completed our review of contributions which the Commission considered as possibly from corporations. The Commission identified 27 contributions totalling \$7,197.00. Upon review, we have determined that \$610 (8 contributions) should be refunded. We have submitted records demonstrating that the other contributions are not from corporations. Refund checks have been mailed (Copies of the checks with an explanation are enclosed.); we will supply copies of cancelled checks when we receive them.

As explained to you in our letter of May 11, 1978, the Committee made extensive efforts to

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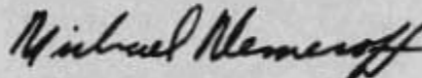
ATTACHED

Mr. Charles Hanshaw
July 18, 1978
Page Two

avoid the acceptance of corporate contributions.
In view of the few instances in which refunds were
required, we believe that we have demonstrated our
good faith intention to comply with the law.

After you have reviewed these records,
please let us know if there is any additional infor-
mation for us to supply.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Nemeroff

MAN:pv
Enclosures

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

Schedule of contributions questioned as being corporate funds

Automatic Temperature Control Company	9/26/76	50.00	See attached memo
Baker Oil Company Jackson, Tennessee	9/15/76	100.00	See letter from Secretary of State. I talked to Mr. K. F. Baker and he stated his firm was in no way connected with Baker Oil Co. of Gallatin, Tennessee.
Belz Investment Company	7/1/76 9/3/76 9/28/76 3/16/76	50.00 200.00 150.00 200.00	Letter attached.
Billy Joe Childress Construction Co.	4/20/77	100.00	Refund
Browning-Scott Company	8/5/76	100.00	Letter attached
Charles E. Smith, Builder	9/30/76	250.00	See letter from Secretary of State.
Country Store Franklin, Tennessee	7/21/76	100.00	See letter from Secretary of State. I talked to Mr. Wilson Herbert and he stated his store was in no way connected with The Country Store, Inc. of Gatlinburg, Tennessee.
Davis Cement Company	8/5/76 10/13/76	1,000.00 1,000.00	Letter attached.
Day Company, Special	9/21/76 12/27/76	1,000.00 500.00	Letter attached.
Dickson Prescription Center	10/15/76	25.00	Refund
Ervin Supply Corporation	8/27/76	100.00	Refund
Farmer's Livestock Market, Inc.	10/16/76	1.00	Carroll Smith, a teenager from Greeneville, received this check for the sale of an animal. She endorsed the check and donated this dollar to the campaign.

Gulas Wrestling Attractions	8/27/76	500.00	Mr. Nick Gulas stated this checking account is his personal account and is not the corporate check which is in the name of the corporation, Gulas Wrestling Enterprises, Inc.
Interstate Construction Company	7/19/76	1,000.00	Letter attached.
J. T. Dugger & Son, Inc.	8/6/76	196.00	This check is a refund on expenditures and is so reflected on the proper FEC report.
Men's World Manchester, Tennessee	4/6/77	100.00	The Secretary of State's office has a corporation listed as Men's World, Inc. in Knoxville. I have talked to Mr. Royce Adams and he stated his clothing firm was in no way connected with the firm in Knoxville, Tenn.
2 Powell Farms	3/8/77	50.00	Letter attached.
1 Southern Foam Sales	6/1/76	25.00	Refund
0 The Varsity Club	10/8/76	250.00	Refund
4 W. G. Ingram Oil Co.	7/16/76	50.00	Letter clearing this matter is in the mail.
0	9/21/76	50.00	
9 W. H. Criswell	9/28/76	50.00	Letter attached.
TOTAL		\$ 7,197.00	

30 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

July 18, 1978

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the recommendation of the Federal Election Commission, we are hereby refunding the contribution made by your organization to the Sasser for Senate Committee. Corporations are prohibited by Federal law from making a contribution to a candidate for Federal office. Although the Committee did not realize that your organization was incorporated when it accepted your contribution, that fact became clear as a result of the Commission's audit of the Committee's books and records. Until the Federal Election Commission concludes its audit, the Committee would appreciate it if you would treat this refund as confidential information. If you have any questions concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 202/624-9037.

Sincerely,

Michael Nemeroff

Michael A. Nemeroff
Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee

MAN:pv

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: The Files
FROM: Michael A. Nemeroff
RE: Contribution of Automatic Temperature
Control Company
DATE: July 13, 1978

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A contribution was received from Automatic Temperature Control Company, 723 Cameo Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37211 (615/833-4209) which is the business named used by Fred Ganick. His company is not incorporated and is located in Nashville, Tennessee. The only incorporated entity using a similar name is Automatic Temperature Control Corporation, 4207 Weaver Road, Memphis, Tennessee, Dot Baker spoke with Mr. Ganick and confirmed that his company is not associated with the Memphis corporation.

M.A.N.

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STATE OF TENNESSEE
 SECRETARY OF STATE
 NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37219

RY CROWELL
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S P. BRADLEY
 TIVE ASSISTANT
 DL BLDG. 741-2816

July 5, 1978

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

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CORPORATIONS

61-101 CENTRAL SERVICE BLDG. 741-2206

ELECTIONS

906 CAPITOL HILL BLDG. 741-7956

PUBLICATIONS

906 CAPITOL HILL BLDG. 741-7956

TRADEMARK SECTION

CAPITOL BLDG. 741-2817

UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE

61-101 CENTRAL SERVICE BLDG. 741-3276

Mrs. Dot Baker
 Assistant Treasurer
 Sasser for Senate Committee
 P. O. Box 23102
 Nashville, TN 37202

RE: BAKER OIL CO., COUNTRY STORE, AND CHARLES E. SMITH BUILDER

Dear Mrs. Baker:

In checking the corporate files, I find that BAKER OIL CO. is a Tennessee corporation located in Gallatin, Tennessee. I failed to find that BAKER OIL CO. is located in Jackson, TN. I also find that COUNTRY STORE, INC. is a Tennessee corporation located in Gatlinburg; I find no corporation listed as COUNTRY STORE, INC. located in Franklin, Tennessee. I failed to find a corporation listed as CHARLES E. SMITH BUILDER.

Please feel free to contact this office if additional information is desired.

Very truly yours,

Gentry Crowell
 GENTRY CROWELL
 Secretary of State
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P. O. Box 111
Memphis, Tennessee 38111
Tel. (901) 767-4780

BELZ Investment Company

April 21, 1978

Mrs. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Mrs. Baker:

This letter is written to advise you that the Belz Investment Company is a Partnership composed of Philip Belz and Jack A. Belz, and is not incorporated. The contribution we made to the Sasser for Senate campaign did not involve any corporate funds whatever, but was on behalf of the two partners as individuals.

Very truly yours,

BELZ INVESTMENT COMPANY

Jack A. Belz
Jack A. Belz
Partner

Jack Belz was out of the office when this letter was typed and has authorized to sign to avoid a delay in its delivery to you.
-jaw

JAB/jaw



A BELZ ENTERPRISE

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL • APARTMENTS • MOTELS

G. T. SCOTT REALTY

Investments

SUITE 103B, HOBBS BUILDING
4208 HILLSBORO ROAD
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37215

TELEPHONE
(615) 297-9575

May 22, 1978

Mrs. Dot Baker
Sasser For Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tenn. 37202

Dear Mrs. Baker:

Mr. Browning and I operate several different businesses.
One of them is called Browning-Scott Corporation.

The contribution you called me about today was made from
Browning-Scott Company. It was our check #599 dated 8-5-76.
I enclose a copy of the check (blank and void) for reference.
This should clear up the problem.

Yours truly,

G. T. Scott
G. T. Scott

BROWNING - SCOTT COMPANY

4950 LINBAR DRIVE
NASHVILLE, TENN. 37211

A Partnership

PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

PAY TO
ORDER
\$

DOLLARS



Commerce Union Bank
800 Main Street Office
Nashville, Tennessee

FOR

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TO: Dot Baker, Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee

I, Alton R. Davis, do hereby certify that the funds in the checking account listed as Davis Cement Company were the personal funds of Alton R. Davis and wife and were separate from the funds of Davis Cement Company, Inc. and that the contributions made to the Sasser for Senate Campaign in 1976 were personal funds of Alton R. Davis and wife.

Alton R. Davis - 5-8-78
Date

Alton R. Davis
P. O. Box G
Estill Springs, TN 37330

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CLARENCE CHARNs DAY

April 24, 1978

Ms. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate
P.O. Box 23102
Nashville, TN 37202

Dear Ms. Baker:

In response to your recent inquiry concerning contributions made by Clarence Day to the Sasser Campaign, the checks dated 9-21-76 for \$1,000 and 12-27-76 for \$500 were written on the Day Company Special account. This account is a personal investment bank account and is not used by any of the Day Corporations. The above checks were written as personal contributions to Mr. Sasser's political campaign.

Yours very truly,



CCD:rsa

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ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Inter-State CONSTRUCTION CO.

PHONE 822-8627

5410 NOLENSVILLE ROAD • P. O. BOX 110096
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37211

April 20, 1978

Ms. Dot Baker, Assistant Treasurer
Sasser for Senate
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Ms. Baker

In accordance with our telephone conversation this date, this is to verify the fact that 'Inter-State Construction Company of Nashville, Tennessee' is an affiliated corporation of 'Inter-State Construction Company, a Limited Partnership.'

On July 19, 1976 we sent you our check No. 775 in the amount of \$1,000.00, payable to 'Jim Sasser'. This check was written on the partnership account, and each of the ten partners participated in the contribution to the extent of \$100.00 each. Therefore, this contribution was a personal contribution and not a contribution from a corporation account.

We trust this information will be sufficient for your needs.

Yours very truly,

INTER-STATE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

Walter E. Richardson, III, Partner

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Route 1, Hunter Hills
Sweetwater, TN 37874
May 22, 1978

Mrs. Dorothy Baker
Sasser for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

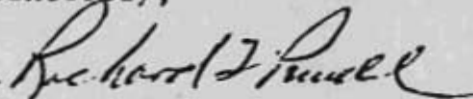
Dear Mrs. Baker:

This letter is to confirm our conversation of
this date.

The contribution made to Senator Sasser on March 8,
1977 in the amount of \$50.00 was written on the account
of Powell Farms, a partnership, which is separate and
apart from Powell Farms, Inc., a corporation.

If further information is needed, please advise.

Sincerely,


Richard Powell

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW
S PROFESSIONAL BUILDING
DICKSON, TENNESSEE 37055

July 12, 1978

POST OFFICE BOX 100
100 N. MATHES DRIVE
DICKSON 440-0000
NASHVILLE 255-1440

ROGER G. WHITE
ARNEY B. REGEN
ROBERT E. BURCH
MICHAEL HOWARD, IV
OF COUNSEL
THOMAS W. BEARLEY

Mrs. Dot Baker
Assistant Treasurer Assessor
for Senate Committee
P. O. Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Re: W. G. Ingram Oil Company,
Inc.

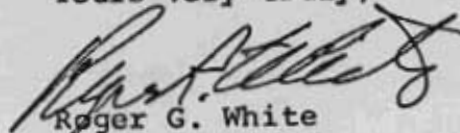
Dear Mrs. Baker:

In reference to your inquiry concerning the status of W. G. Ingram Oil Co., Inc., please be advised that this corporate charter was obtained by me for the Ingrams on the 10th day of August, 1967. After the charter was obtained, the Ingrams decided not to activate the corporation and this corporation has never done business in any form. The decision was made to keep the charter "alive" by the payment of minimum franchise and excise taxes.

W. G. Ingram Oil Co., Inc. has never possessed a bank account, and consequently, could not have made a political contribution by check. W. G. Ingram Oil Co. was in existence prior to obtaining a charter and it continued in existence, without change, after the charter was obtained and W. G. Ingram Oil Co., to the best of my knowledge, was at that time a partnership composed of W. G. Ingram, Sr., W. G. Ingram, Jr. and Ted S. Ingram.

If I can be of any further service, please advise.

Yours very truly,


Roger G. White
Attorney-at-Law

RGW/cs

W. H. CRISWELL
CHAIRMAN-TREASURER

B. T. WRIGHT,
PRESIDENT

U.H. CRISWELL CO., INC. REALTOR

FIRST AMERICAN CENTER
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37238 • PHONE 244-7470

May 22, 1978

Ms. Dot Baker
P O Box 23102
Nashville, Tennessee
37202

Dear Ms. Baker:

Enclosed is Xerox copy of Mr. Criswell's personal check which was a contribution to Mr. Sasser's campaign in 1976. This was not a corporate check.

Mr. Criswell died March 6, 1977, which explains why I am answering your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

(B. T. Wright)

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W. H. CRISWELL
SALES AND LEASES - BUSINESS PROPERTY
FIRST AMERICAN CENTER
NASHVILLE, TENN. 37238

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DATE Sept. 28 19 76

PAY
TO THE
ORDER OF

Sasser for Senate

\$ 50.00

EXACTLY ~~50~~ 50 AND 00 CTS

DOLLARS



Commerce Union Bank
Main Office
Nashville, Tennessee

W. H. CRISWELL
SALES AND LEASES - BUSINESS PROPERTY

W. H. Criswell

For Contribution

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

1097

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640 1PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Ervin Supply Corporation

I C-1
3/10
July 15 1978

\$ 100.00/100

one hundred dollars 00/100

DOLLARS

UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

Michael Menneroff

FOR refund of contribution

⑆0640⑈0228⑆ 0 03717 6⑈

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

1098

87-228
640 1PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Southern Foam Sales

I C-1
3/10
July 18 1978

\$ 25.00/100

twenty-five dollars 00/100

DOLLARS

UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

Michael Menneroff

FOR refund of contribution

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

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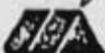
The Varsity Club

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3/10
July 18 1978

\$ 250.00/100

two hundred and fifty dollars 00/100

DOLLARS

UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. S-2152

Michael Menneroff

FOR refund of contribution

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

2ND FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37203

1096

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Dickson Prescription Center

July 18 1978
\$25.00

Twenty-five dollars 00/100

DOLLARS



SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE I.D. NO. 9-2152

Michael Kemeroff

FOR

refund of contribution

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SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

23RD FLOOR LIFE & CASUALTY TOWER
NASHVILLE, TN 37219

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PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Billy Joe Childrens Construction Co.

July 18 1975

\$ 150.00

one hundred and fifty dollars 00/100

DOLLARS



UNITED AMERICAN BANK
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE

SENATE J.D. NO. S-2152

Michael Pleneroff

FOR refund for two contributions

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Attachment 2, ~~1~~

Auditor's note

\$50.00 of the above amount represents the refund of a contribution made to Area Wide Rally which is addressed in MUR 625(78).

Itemized Expenditures
Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfer
for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

(see instructions on back)

Page _____ of _____ for

LINE NUMBER 22

(Use separate schedule(s) for each numbered line)

Name of Candidate or Committee in full

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE - GENERAL ELECTION

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Automatic Temperature Control Co.
 114 - 29th Avenue North
 Nashville, TN 37203

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
 dated 9/2/76

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

50.00

This Contribution was not refunded. Refer to Treasurer's Memo of July 13, 1978 and deletion schedule.

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

The Varsity Club
 304 - 4th Avenue South
 Nashville, TN 37201

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
 dated 10/8/76

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

250.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Dickson Prescription Center
 108 Highway 70 East
 Dickson, TN 37055

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
 dated 10/15/76

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

25.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Billy Joe Childress Construction Co
 Central Road
 Ripley, TN 38063

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
 dated 4/20/77

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

100.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Southern Foam Sales
 61 West Colorado
 Memphis, TN 38106

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
 dated 4/21/77

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

25.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month, day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional).

\$ 450.00

Total this period (last page this line number only).

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Campaign Fundraising, Loans, and Transfers
for Lines 20, 22, 23, and/or 24 of FEC Form 3

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LINE NUMBER 22

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Name of Candidate or Committee in full

SASSER FOR SENATE COMMITTEE - PRIMARY ELECTION

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Ervin Supply Corporation
c/o Mrs. Barbara Ervin
McDonald, TN 37353

Purpose of Expenditure

Refund of contribution
dated 8/27/76

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

100.00

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

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day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Full Name, mailing address and ZIP code

Purpose of Expenditure

Date (month,
day, year)

Amount of each expenditure this period

Subtotal of expenditures this page (optional) ▶

\$ 100.00

Total this period (last page this line number only) ▶

\$

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mrs. Barbara Ervin
Ervin Supply Corporation
McDonald, Tennessee 37353

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mrs. Ervin:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe that your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Ervin Supply Corporation made a contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

Under the Act, you have an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken against you. Please submit any factual or legal materials which you believe are relevant to the Commission's analysis of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances B. Hagan, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 523-4006.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(3)(B) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please have such counsel so notify us in writing.

Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Sasser for Senate Committee

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Michael Nemseroff
Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee
Sidley and Austin
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Nemseroff:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe your Committee may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Sasser for Senate Committee accepted corporate contributions during the 1976 elections in violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

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Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

Honorable James Sasser

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Billy Joe Childress
Billy Joe Childress Construction Company
Central Road
Ripley, Tennessee 38063

Re: MUR 765

Dear Mr. Childress:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe that your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Billy Joe Childress Construction Company made a contribution to the Sasser for Senate Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

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Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Sasser for Senate Committee

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The Varsity Club
304 Fourth Avenue South
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Re: MUR 765

Dear Sir:

Based on information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission has found reason to believe your corporation may have violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Specifically, it appears that the Varsity Club made a contribution to the Sasser for Senator Committee during the 1976 election. 2 U.S.C. § 441b (a) prohibits the use of corporate monies in connection with a Federal election. We have numbered this matter MUR 765.

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Sincerely,

William C. Oldaker
General Counsel

cc: Mr. Michael Nemeroff, Treasurer
Sasser for Senate Committee

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Name and Address of Sender

J L ERVIN
PO BOX 9098
CHTTNG.TN 37412

Subject of Correspondence

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RIPLEY, TN 38063

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