

REGISTRY OF ELECTION FINANCE  
(AMENDED MINUTES FOR MARCH 12, 1996)

The Registry of Election Finance for the State of Tennessee met Tuesday, March 12, 1996, at 1614 Parkway Towers, 404 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee.

Attending were: Gail Vaughn Ashworth, Howard Bond, Carole Bucy, Alan Hubbard, Herman Reviere, and Jamye Coleman Williams.

The minutes of the February 13 meeting were approved without objection.

**Approval of Civil Penalty Orders:**

96-01 - **Perry March**, for failure to timely file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$200. Mr. March requested a continuance until the April board meeting to have the opportunity to appear in person before the board. On motion by Reviere, seconded by Bond, the board voted to continue this case to the April meeting

96-02 - **Thomas Jackson, Sr.**, for failure to timely file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$100. On motion by Bucy, seconded by Williams, the board voted to assess a penalty of \$100.

96-03 - **Richard Cate**, for failure to timely file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$75. Mr. Cate paid the \$75 penalty in advance. On motion by Bucy, seconded by Williams, the board voted to assess a penalty of \$75.

95-85 - **James Thomas**, for failure to file a 1995 supplemental annual campaign finance report. Mr. Thomas was first assessed a class two (2) civil penalty of \$250 at the January meeting. Upon receipt of a sworn statement and a filed report the afternoon of that meeting, the order was not issued. On motion by Reviere, seconded by Williams, the board voted to rescind the original penalty order and assess a class two (2) penalty of \$100.

**Issuance of Show Cause Notices:**

**Cocke County Democratic Party**, for failure to file 1995 third quarter financial disclosure report. Class two (2), maximum civil penalty \$10,000. Motion by Williams, seconded by Bucy, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**TN Conservative Union Victory Fund**, for failure to file a 1995 fourth quarter financial disclosure report. Maximum civil penalty \$10,000. Motion by Reviere, seconded by Bond, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**TN Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club**, for failure to timely file a 1995 fourth quarter financial disclosure report. Maximum civil penalty \$650. Motion by Reviere, seconded by Bucy, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Kroger PAC**, for failure to timely file a 1995 fourth quarter financial disclosure report in Knox County. Class two (2), maximum civil penalty \$10,000. On motion by Bucy, seconded by Hubbard, the board voted to delay action to the April meeting to give the staff an opportunity to discuss the case with the treasurer of the Kroger PAC.

**Judy Bowery**, for failure to file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$750. Motion by Williams, seconded by Bucy, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Marcia Jervis**, for failure to file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$750. Motion by Hubbard, seconded by Bond, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Charles Scoville**, for failure to file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$750. Motion by Bucy, seconded by Hubbard, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Mark Tolf**, for failure to file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$750. Motion by Bond, seconded by Hubbard, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Harold Stockburger**, for failure to timely file a 1995 year-end lobbying activities report. Maximum civil penalty \$250. Motion by Williams, seconded by Hubbard, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Rep. Don Bird**, for failure to timely file a 1995 supplemental annual campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), maximum civil penalty \$75. Motion by Reviere, seconded by Williams, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Sen. Roscoe Dixon**, for failure to timely file a 1995 supplemental annual campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), maximum civil penalty \$125. Motion by Reviere, seconded by Bond, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Earnest Lunati**, for failure to file a post-election campaign disclosure report with Shelby County. Mr. Lunati was a candidate in the October 5, 1995, City of Memphis Election. Class two (2), maximum civil penalty \$10,000. On motion by Bond, seconded by Reviere, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Earnest Lunati**, for failure to file a statement of interests report with Shelby County. Mr. Lunati was a candidate in the October 5, 1995, City of Memphis Election. Class two (2),

maximum civil penalty \$10,000. On motion by Hubbard, seconded by Williams, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Marion McClendon**, for failure to file a statement of interests report with Shelby County. Ms. McClendon was a candidate in the October 5, 1995, City of Memphis Election. Class two (2), maximum civil penalty \$10,000. On motion by Williams, seconded by Bond, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Marcus Murrell**, for failure to file a post-election campaign disclosure report with Shelby County. Mr. Murrell was a candidate in the October 5, 1995, City of Memphis Election. Class two (2), maximum civil penalty \$10,000. On motion by Bond, seconded by Bucy, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

**Jesse Neely**, for failure to file a post-election campaign disclosure report with Shelby County. Mr. Neely was a candidate in the October 5, 1995, City of Memphis Election. Class two (2), maximum civil penalty \$10,000. On motion by Hubbard, seconded by Bond, the board voted to issue a show cause notice.

#### **Other Case Considered:**

**Ronnie Starnes**, did not file a corrected 1995 supplemental annual disclosure report. (He had turned over accounting records showing he had a \$0 balance in his checking account, but had not filed a corrected report to show a \$0 balance.) Mr. Starnes informed the staff that he did not understand how to correct the report and that he did not intend to do so. The Registry advised the staff to send Mr. Starnes a certified civil penalty assessment letter for his failure to file a corrected report.

#### **Budget Report:**

Drew Rawlins presented the budget statistics for the month of January and reported that the budget is on schedule as far as expenses are concerned for the 1995-96 fiscal year.

#### **Other Business:**

Outgoing chairperson, Jamye Williams, was presented with a framed bicentennial print in recognition of her service as board chairperson in 1995.

The board held a brief discussion concerning present salaries of staff members and possible future adjustments to those salaries.

The next Registry meeting will be held on April 9, 1996, beginning at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was adjourned.

