

Case # L78⁹

WRITTEN TESTIMONY
IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Candidate/Committee Name: James B. Dubois / Klamath County Republican Central Comm.
(Please print)

Committee I.D. #: 000321

Treasurer: James B. Dubois

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- General _____
- Other _____
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- 2nd pre-election
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- Post-Election
- Supplement to Post
- Supplemental
- Initiative Drive

TESTIMONY: As Jennifer Hertel can attest (from our phone call) I'm stunned by this situation. I'm writing this as if I'm speaking from the heart. Ever since I returned to Oregon (after a 20-year Air Force career) I've wanted to "do my part" and be active in politics. When I was asked to volunteer to be Treasurer, I reluctantly said yes. I've never been able to attend any training class due to my work schedule. I've tried to do the best I can, mostly with the help of the wonderful women at the other end of the phone when I call your office. With their help I've done 4 or 5 reports that have been over all fine. I had no idea about the rule to report an expenditure of over \$100 dollars, in this case to a club for a fundraiser dinner. Now I know. For the record, I will not be seeking reelection to this position. I believe it's best left to someone with FAR more experience who can devote the time needed. Having said that, I'm asking you, with heartfelt sincerity, to PLEASE WAIVE the penalty. As previously mentioned, I served my country for 20 years. I've ALWAYS been a law abiding citizen and would NEVER knowingly do anything to try to "get over" by breaking or bending a rule. In other words I believe in the system. But I ~~also~~ also know that the system is there to punish those who KNOWINGLY flout the law... I AM NOT one of those people. If the system would punish someone like me who made an HONEST mistake, then I am saddened indeed. This is all I can say about that. If you choose to impose a penalty on me, there's something else I must mention. I would ask that you let me pay it over the MAXIMUM amount of time, in the SMALLEST monthly payments. Almost 1 1/2 years ago my wife and I filed bankruptcy, and we live on an allowance for all of our needs, the rest goes to ~~credit~~ creditors. I'm not trying to use this to sway your ~~final~~ decision. I've already expressed my hopes on that matter, but you need to know the situation. Anyway that's all I have to say. I hope you will consider the ~~the~~ situation and rule in my favor. I truly apologize for not being a better treasurer, but I have served honorably and (as far as I know) legally. I trust my faith in the good judgement of the system, and you. Thank you!

Bill Dubois

P.S. I'm enclosing a TYPED version of this, in case you can't read my bad writing.

Signature _____
Candidate/Treasurer

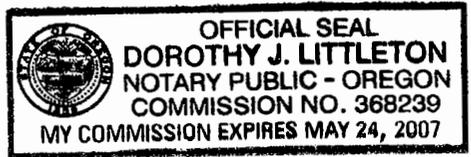
Date 9-10-04

STATE OF OREGON)

County of KLAMATH)

Subscribed before me this 11th day of SEPTEMBER, 2004, by JAMES B. DUBOIS.

Notary Public of Oregon
My commission expires: 5-24-07



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TO: Office of the Secretary of State
FROM: James B. DuBois, Treasurer, Klamath Co. Republican Central Committee
SUBJ: Proposed Civil Penalty for Late Contribution and Expenditure Report

To whom it may concern, as Jennifer Hertel can attest (per our phone call), I'm stunned by this situation. Let me first apologize for my printer, sorry. Anyway, I'm writing this as if I'm speaking to you, straight from the heart. As I told Jennifer, I'm stunned beyond belief.

Ever since I returned to Oregon, from a 20-year Air Force carrier, I've wanted to "do my part" and be active in politics. When I was asked to volunteer to be treasurer, I reluctantly said yes. More because I don't like to look bad when put on the spot, far less because I actually wanted the job. Anyway, I've never been able to attend a "training class" of any sort, due to my work schedule. So I've tried to do the best that I can, mostly with the help (much help) of the wonderful ladies at the other end of the phone when calling your office. With their help I've done 4 or 5 reports, and I think they've (overall) turned out fine. I had absolutely NO IDEA about the rule to report an expenditure of over 1000 dollars, in this case to a club for dinner. Now I know.

For the record, I will NOT be seeking reelection in this position. I believe it's best left to someone with FAR more experience, or someone who truly has the time to devote to studying ALL the rules of the position. I'm not making any excuses, this is just how I feel.

Having said that, I'm asking you, with heartfelt sincerity, to PLEASE WAIVE any penalty. As previously mentioned, I served my Country for 20 years. I've ALWAYS been a law abiding citizen, and would NEVER KNOWINGLY do anything to try to "get over" by breaking or bending a rule. In other words, I believe in the system. But I also KNOW that the system is there to punish those who KNOWINGLY flaunt the law...I AM NOT one of those people. If the system would punish someone like me who made an HONEST mistake, then I am saddened indeed. This is all I can say about it.

If you choose to impose a penalty on me, there's something else I must mention. I would ask that you let me pay it over the MAXIMUM amount of time, in the SMALLEST monthly payments. Almost a year and a half ago my wife and I filed bankruptcy, and we live on an allowance for all of our needs, the rest goes to

creditors. I'm not trying to use this to sway your decision, the previous paragraph already addressed my hopes on that matter, but you need to know the situation.

Anyway, that's all I have to say. I don't know if I've written this in a correct format, but it's been from the heart. So I hope that you will consider the situation and rule in my favor. I truly apologize for not being the best treasurer in the world, or even the County, but I have served honorably and (as far as I knew) legally. I put my faith in the good judgement of the system, and you.

Thank you for your consideration.

James B. DuBois
Treasurer, Klamath County Republican Central Committee

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