Missouri Money Flowing into Kansas Elections (2002)

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(E) The **IRS** on July 15, 2002 **asked** Bistate Arts and Sports (John C. Craft) for info about legislative activities germane to their social welfare purposes, and for description of process by which legislation and/or candidates are chosen for support.

(F) On July 26, 2002 John C Craft **replied to IRS** that Bistate Arts and Sports ceased operations and "never made any such contributions" to candidates or PACs.

At time of incorporation Article IX of Bistate Arts and Sports Articles of Incorporation said upon dissolution of Corporation "all of the assets" would go to the American Stroke Foundation. This was changed at some point to say 501(c).

(G) IRS approves tax exempt status, Aug 8, 2002

IRS Form 1024 dated May 10, 2002 by Bistate Arts and Sports Corp, c/o John C Craft, 4435 Main, Suite 1100, KCMO 64111, shows likely souces of money to include: KC Royals, KC Chiefs, Hallmark Cards, Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, Arts Council of Metropolitan Kansas City. (D)

IRS Form 990-EZ from 2001 and **IRS Form 990** from 2002 for the Bistate Arts and Sports Corporation, 2600 Commerce Tower, 911 Main St, KCMO 64105, shows amounts of receipts but does not identify donors for contributions to a non-profit group. (As expected on IRS 990s). (H) (I)

The Missouri Secretary of State's web site confirms that this group was incorported on Feb 27, 2001 and ceased to exist on December 4, 2002. (P)

On January 29, 2004 this Missouri Bistate Arts non-profit was created again.

Unknown Sources of Money

2001 $70,054 (H)

2002 $494,779 (I)

Bistate Arts and Sports Corporation
Missouri Non-Profit. Addresses Used:
4435 Main, Suite 1100, KCMO 64111, or
2600 Commerce Tower,
911 Main St, KCMO 64105

Kansas Bistate Renewal Committee (J)
Stephen F. Rose, Chair; William Lucas, Treasurer
Crown Center, Suite 200, 2405 Grand, KCMO 64108
(Source: Report filed with JoCo Election Office)

Aquila $72,500 June 27, 2002

June 4, 2002 IRS 8871
"Section 527" Status $10,000 June 6, 2002
June 3, 2002 IRS 8871

New KS & MO Committees, PAC, 527 Formed in June 2004 (Q)

Missouri Bistate Renewal Committee (R)
4435 Main, Suite 1100, KCMO 64111
(Source: Report filed with JoCo Election Office)
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2002 IRS 990: Assets Liquidated
Amount Unknown
Dec 4, 2002
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Greater Kansas CIty Chamber of Commerce
2600 Commerce Tower
911 Main St, KCMO 64105

$39,500
May 13, 2002: $20,000
June 17, 2002: $19,500

Greater Kansas CIty Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee (K) (L)
(aka BizPAC) 911 Main St, KCMO 64105

JoCo Spring 03 BV Schools $4,250 (N)
KS Nov 02 General Election $13,300 (M)
KS Aug 02 Primary Election $6,000 July 12, 2002 (except Adkins)

Attorney General: Adkins (7/8)
State Rep: Huff (L)

State Reps:
Yonally (5/10)
Neighbor (5/10)
Boyer (5/10)
Baru (5/10)
Kandt (6/11)
Seitter (6/11)
Vogt (6/25)
Yoder (6/25)
Sharp (7/1)

State Board of Ed:
Weddle (7/1) (O)

State Rep: Campbell (7/1)

Steve Cloud / GOP Club active in candidate recruitment

$ Sources: MO and KS Secretaries of State, JoCo Election Office

Kansas Chambers
Lenexa $500
OP $500
$50,000
no dates reported

Barbara Cloud, $10,000, 8/1
Mike Gullion, $1,000, 8/1
Larry Winn III, $700 in 4 contributions
$20,000 June 26, 2002

Johnson County Republicans for Education PAC (O)
Stephen R Cloud, Chair
Addresses used:
7933 Foster, OP 66204 (shared), or
9400 W. 55th St, Merriam 66203 (IBT), or
PO Box 2982, SM, KS 66201 (IBT)

$500/each
$5,500 dates vary
KS Aug 02 Primary Election

$54,407 KC Star Direct* 1729 Grand, KCMO
Endorsement Mailings

Committee to Support Our Schools (A)
Michael W Gullion**, Treasurer (Gold Banc)
(Source: Report at JoCo Election Office)

?: per Gullion
$10,000
no date reported

Larry Winn reports receiving money directly from Chamber's Public Affairs Committee

Committee for Excellence (B)
Larry Winn III, Chair
(Polsinelli, Shalton, Welte)
(Source: Letter at JoCo Election Office)

Steve Cloud, IBT, joined the GKC Chamber in 2002 according to Chamber's web site in 2002

GOP Club of Johnson County
Stephen R. Cloud, Chair
P.O. Box 4666, OPKS 66204

Endorsement Mailings
GOP Club endorses same as JCRE

GOP Precinct Candidates

Local groups, like the GOP Club, have no controlling legal authority and have no reporting requirements
(per discussions at JoCo Election Office)
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**Note: Mike Gullion, was fired in March 2003 from Gold Banc for taking $2.5 million in funds for his own personal use. He was banned by the SEC from serving as a director of a public company. (C)
Source: Bradenton (FL) Herald, May 8, 2004

*KC Star Direct mailings by JCRE:
$10,277 (7/10), $18,595 (7/19),
$15,407 (7/30), $2,511 (7/30),
$7,615 (7/31)

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