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Honourable Speaker:

Pursuant to section 13 (1) (a) of the *Election Act*, I have the honour to present the 2000 Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer to the Legislative Assembly.

This Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer covers the period January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Patterson
Chief Electoral Officer

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CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to submit the 2000 Annual Report. In 2000, Elections BC's primary focus was on being election ready for the upcoming provincial general election.

Elections BC staff spent considerable time working together reviewing procedures, plans, forms, guides, and many other electoral operation requirements.

Not only were staff working on being election ready, but they were faced with many other exciting challenges during the year. I hope you enjoy reading Elections BC's Annual Report and that it provides you with a sense of the scope of our activities.

I would like to provide a special thank-you to the staff of Elections BC for their dedication, ability, and professionalism in ensuring a high state of election readiness at all times.



Robert A. Patterson
Chief Electoral Officer

About Elections BC

Elections BC is the non-partisan Office of the Legislature responsible for the impartial administration of provincial electoral events and referendums, recalls and initiatives. The Office is also responsible for the maintenance of the provincial Voters List and voter education.

Elections BC's mission is:

“To serve the people of British Columbia by ensuring the effective and impartial administration of the electoral process.”

Elections BC's corporate objectives are to:

- maintain a high state of electoral readiness
- ensure electoral events are conducted in a fair and impartial manner
- ensure all qualified voters have the opportunity to vote
- increase public awareness of the electoral process.

Our guiding principles are:

- respecting the rule of law
- working with integrity and openness
- upholding the democratic rights of British Columbians.

Staff at Elections BC are dedicated to facilitating the democratic process, continually building on the quantity and quality of election-related information made available to the public. The organization prides itself in operating with fairness and impartiality, while respecting individual differences and individual rights.

Voter Registration

The Provincial Voters List System (PVLS) contains British Columbia's register of the names, birthdates and residential and mailing addresses of

registered voters. A large percentage of this data is supplied directly to Elections BC by the Province's voters.

Data is collected daily by District Registrars of Voters and their Deputies and entered onto the system by Elections BC's regional offices. Elections BC is continually looking for ways to increase the currency, completeness and accuracy of the Voters List, and for levelling out the 'peaks and valleys' of activity during and between elections.

Approximately 590,000 transactions were processed through the Provincial Voters List System in 2000. These included new voter registrations and deletions and changes of address or name information.

The "Motor Voter Program", in which address changes to drivers' licence records are provided to Elections BC, generated approximately 190,400 updates to the Voters List in 2000. The *Election Act* permits the sharing of Insurance Corporation of British Columbia's drivers' address data for this purpose. Elections BC continues to work to maximize the number of Voters List updates through the Motor Voter Program. To date, 86% of voter records have been linked to driver records to facilitate this low cost and convenient form of address record maintenance. The Motor Voter Program does not provide Elections BC with access to driver records, nor can voters register through this program.

Voters who want to register to vote, or who wish to verify or update their registration, may contact any Elections BC or Government Agent office. Voter registration is also available in conjunction with any voting opportunity.

Voter Registration Confirmation Cards (VRCCs)

More than 593,000 voter registration confirmation cards were mailed in eight mail-outs during the year 2000. The voter registration confirmation cards are sent to voters who have registered or have updated their registration data. The card confirms a voter's registration; it is not an identification card for voting.

Participation in the Multiple Address Change Project

Elections BC was invited by the Information, Science and Technology Agency (ISTA) in September 2000 to participate in a single electronic interface project from which the public could submit change of address data for a number of government programs. The idea stemmed from ISTA's InfoSmart program. The concept centres on a Web site where users can choose to visit change-of-address pages designed for specific programs. The Elections BC component will allow registered provincial voters to submit address change information electronically. To address any privacy issues, each site will contain an informed consent message. ISTA intends that the system be operational in 2001. The Manager of Electoral Geography is Elections BC's representative on the working group.

Joint "Elections BC - Government Agent" Conference

Most of British Columbia's District Registrars of Voters and their Deputies are Government Agents (GAs). Their offices have a unique role as 'one-stop access centres' for a wide variety of provincial government services in communities throughout the Province. In May, the Deputy Chief Electoral Officer attended a regional meeting of Government Agents in Cranbrook. The Deputy CEO provided a summary of Elections BC's current projects, including implementation of the new Electoral Information System (EIS), and the GAs provided input into the formatting of a new manual for District Registrars of Voters. In mid-June, the Government Agents Branch and Elections BC collaborated on a three-day meeting for all GAs. The first half of the program focused exclusively on Elections BC's operations. The agenda included an overview of Elections BC's mandate, voter registration operations, recall and initiative, and the Election Information System (EIS).

By working together, Elections BC and the Government Agents Branch significantly reduced travel expenses and administrative costs.

Signature Adjudication Project

An adjudication project involving approximately 870,000 voter records was initiated in May and completed in July 2000. Adjudication is a quality assurance procedure to ensure that voter registration card numbers and scanned signatures are accurate before the Voter Record Card Management System (VRCMS) is populated with this data. This information is required to verify signatures on Recall and Initiative Petitions.

Voter records are scanned and the images are examined for poor signature images or card number discrepancies. Rejected images are further reviewed and any identified problems addressed. This includes contacting voters, renewing signature images, up-dating voter information, and reconciling to the Provincial Voters List System (PVLS). Upon completion of these steps, a final adjudication is done to confirm that the up-dated images are acceptable.

Registration Drives at Douglas College and University of Victoria

Shortly after post-secondary students returned to class in the fall of 2000, pilot voter registration drives were conducted at the campuses of Douglas College on the Lower Mainland and at the University of Victoria. From our presence at Douglas College, Elections BC received 374 registration inquiries, 78 confirmations, 40 registration updates, and 254 new registrations and changes of name. The UVic Registration Centre resulted in 191 registration inquiries, 55 confirmations, 58 registration updates, and 107 new registrations or name changes.

Post-Event Review: Delta South By-election

A short time after electoral events, Elections BC's management and staff meet to assess performance and to determine where improvements can be made.

General Voting Day for the 1999 Delta South by-election was December 7, 1999. On January 19, 2000, representatives of the Voter Registration, Electoral Operations, Electoral Finance and Communications Divisions and the Chief Electoral Officer met with the District Electoral Officer and Deputy for Delta South.

A number of issues were addressed concerning voting place accessibility. Also discussed were concerns raised by nominees during the by-election about the consequences of errors made when filling out the Statement of Disclosure required under the *Financial Disclosure Act*. Elections BC will ask the Ministry of Attorney General, the Ministry responsible for the administration of that Act, to provide information on how to complete this document, possibly in the form of a brochure.

On General Voting Day, the Communications Division conducted an Exit Survey to evaluate the effectiveness of event-related advertising and how efficiently the voting process was administered. Where to Vote Cards were described as indispensable and voting officials as professional and courteous.

District Electoral Officer Appointments

A consequential amendment to the *Election Act* in 1999 permitted the appointment of District Electoral Officers (DEOs) and Deputy District Electoral Officers (DDEOs) to future electoral districts resulting from redistribution. This pre-appointment process allows for the selection and training of these officials prior to an election.

A full slate of DEOs and DDEOs was appointed in October 1999 to the pending 79 electoral districts, however, a number resigned their appointments for personal and business-related reasons. During 2000, eight DEOs and 13 Deputies were appointed to fill the resulting vacancies.

These merit appointments come into force and effect on the date that the thirty-sixth Parliament is dissolved, and will expire six months after General Voting Day.

Training for District Electoral Officers and their Deputies

A one-day training session for all District Electoral Officers, their Deputies and a number of Elections BC staff was held in Richmond in early April.

The program introduced the Electoral Information System (EIS), Elections BC's new computerized information management system. As well, attendees participated in study sessions reviewing the electoral process, redistribution activities, and voter registration in conjunction with voting.

On November 15, newly appointed DEOs and Deputies visited the Chief Electoral Office for orientation. This session was designed specifically to introduce them to Elections BC's organization, mandate and business cycle, and communicate the standards and expectations for senior election officials. Our political system and electoral legislation, and an overview of voting opportunities were included among the topics of discussion.

Production of Video for Training of Election Officials

The production of a video to assist District Electoral Officers in the training of their election staff and voting officials has been under discussion for some time. In May 2000 a contract was let to a local production company. The 25-minute video was designed to show basic voting procedures, voting place set-up and the roles of each of the election officials. The video will be provided to all District Electoral Officers for use in the next general election.

Initiative

Only one initiative petition was issued during 2000.

Initiative Petition IP-2000-001

Title of Initiative Petition: Child Services Equality Act

Proponent: Jim McDermott

Opponent(s): None registered

Issue Date: May 23, 2000
Return Date: August 21, 2000

Summary of Draft Bill:

The purpose of the initiative draft Bill is to establish a process which would replace waiting lists for social and health care services and programs for children with a thirty-day processing period of applications for such services or programs. The Ministry responsible for the provision of the service or program applied for would have thirty days to screen the application and deliver the service or program. The Bill would establish an appeal period if applications are rejected.

The Bill would also create an early intervention fund to be administered by the Child, Youth and Family Advocate in conjunction with several Ministries. The fund would be separate from the budgets used to provide social or health care services and programs, and would provide for services as designated by the Child, Youth and Family Advocate.

Outcome of the Petition:

The petition was returned to the Chief Electoral Officer on August 21. The proponent submitted 4,325 unverified signatures, and the petition therefore failed as 202,984 valid signatures were required.

See Appendix C for a summary of the Initiative Financing Report.

Judicial Review

The Supreme Court of British Columbia dismissed a Petition by Jim McDermott, Proponent of the Waitlist Initiative Petition, requesting access to the provincial Voters List. In his ruling, the Honourable Mr. Justice R. D. Wilson agreed with the Chief Electoral Officer that an initiative is not an electoral purpose, and consequently neither initiative proponents nor opponents are entitled to access the provincial Voters List.

Liquor Referendum

The Liquor Control and Licensing Branch of the Ministry of Attorney General occasionally asks Elections BC to conduct a referendum in instances where the General Manager of the Branch considers it necessary to determine the views of residents who may be affected by liquor licensing decisions. Elections BC provides administrative services by establishing voting procedures, locating and staffing voting places, administering Advance and General voting and tallying the ballots.

In November 2000, Elections BC's District Electoral Officer for Peace River North was called upon to conduct a referendum to assess support by residents for a neighbourhood pub license in Fort St. John. Advance Voting was held on November 4 with General Voting on November 9.

Referendums of this nature are conducted at the applicant's expense. Elections BC is reimbursed for all costs associated with the conduct of the referendum.

Liaison with First Nations

Elections BC assisted the Métis Association of BC with the administrative preparations for its provincial election by supplying materials such as ballot boxes, voting screens and signs which were redundant and scheduled for recycling.

The Deputy Chief Electoral Officer met with Corrine MacKay, the Nisga'a's Chief Electoral Officer and her Deputy for a general consultation on election administration. Elections for the Nisga'a's national board, village council, health unit and university board were held in mid-November.

Information Technology

Electoral Information System (EIS) Project

Over the past year, business analysis, design and development of EIS demanded considerable effort from Elections BC management and staff

and from the primary contractors, EDS Canada. The new system has seven major components: Address Register Management, Administrative Information Management, Voters List Management, Electoral Boundary Management, District Electoral Officer Office Support, Client Communication and Financial Filing.

In the first release the sections of the system that are targeted for development and implementation are:

- Administrative Information Management, such as the registration of political parties, constituency associations and candidates to support financial filing.
- District Electoral Officer Office Support. Initially, this involves the processing of records for approximately 30,000 temporary employees retained during electoral events.

The second release will include:

- Additions to the Administrative Information Management section to include data such as voting place information.
- Address Register Management to maintain a province-wide inventory of residential, business and institutional addresses that are geo-referenced in a digital map base.
- Electoral Boundary Management related to electoral district and voting area boundaries.
- Voters List Management including measures to assist in keeping voter data more complete, current and accurate.
- A module called the Agency Management System to enable financial filing electronically rather than on paper.

The third release will include improvements and extensions to the system components. Additions to the District Electoral Officer Office Support section will include a system to gather and report voting results in 'real-time' and to track the movement of Certification Envelopes between electoral districts. There will also be enhanced public access to electoral event information in the Client Communication module through better

Web site maintenance processes and toll free line enquiry support. The final element will be to provide users with ad hoc report writing tools.

1999 Annual Financial Reports

Section 207 of the *Election Act* requires all registered political parties and registered constituency associations to file annual financial reports by March 31 for the previous year. On March 31, 2000 the Chief Electoral Officer issued an Order granting extensions to the filing deadlines for three parties and five constituency associations. When received, the reports are scanned and posted to Elections BC's Web site. Hard copies of reports were available April 3. A team of six financial reviewers assessed the reports for compliance. A small number of files remained open and under the reviewers' scrutiny at the end of the reviewing period. Only one registered political party, the Labour Welfare Party, failed to file and was subsequently deregistered.

Financial Agent Training Sessions and Guides

Elections BC provides Financial Agent training sessions to assist registered political parties and constituency associations in the completion of their annual financial reports. During the year, training sessions were offered in Vancouver, Delta and Victoria.

Elections BC also provides materials to Financial Agents to enable them to carry out their legislated duties. During 2000, Annual Financial Report Completion Guides, Election Financing Report Completion Guides and Election Advertising Sponsor Completion Guides were published in both hard copy format and Election BC's Web site.

Leadership Contests

The New Democratic Party of British Columbia held a leadership convention in February 2000. Ujjal Dosanjh was elected leader (see Appendix D).

The Green Party Political Association of British Columbia held a leadership convention in September 2000. Adriane Carr was elected leader (see Appendix D).

Investigations

In August 2000 Elections BC retained forensic accounting firm Kroll Lindquist Avey (KLA) to conduct an audit of the financial reports from the 1999 Delta South By-election for the Reform Party of British Columbia and the campaign of their candidate William Vander Zalm.

Under section 276 of the *Election Act* the CEO is required to conduct periodic audits of financial reports of registered political parties, registered constituency associations and candidates for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the *Election Act*. The Reform Party and William Vander Zalm were selected following a risk based assessment process.

In February 2001, KLA issued their report to Elections BC. On February 26, 2001, the Chief Electoral Officer suspended the Reform Party of British Columbia for a period of six months and imposed a penalty of \$31,285.78 for exceeding the election expense limit. On April 25, 2001, the Supreme Court of British Columbia consented to relief from the suspension and penalty, upon the Reform Party filing an amended financial report detailing its overspending, and awarded Elections BC court costs.

Electoral District Redistribution

Electoral district boundaries are reviewed after every second general election to ensure each Member of the Legislative Assembly represents approximately the same number of people. This review is conducted by an independent Commission established under the *Electoral Boundaries Commission Act*, which requires that the Chief Electoral Officer be a member of the Commission.

In a report submitted to the Legislature December 3, 1998, the Commission recommended significant boundary changes and an increase in the number of electoral districts to 79 from the current 75 to

compensate for population shifts and extraordinary growth in some areas of the province. On July 15, 1999, the new *Electoral Districts Act*, accepting all the Commission's recommendations, received Royal Assent. The new electoral districts will come into effect on the day the 36th Parliament is dissolved.

A major part of the implementation of new electoral district boundaries was a redistribution project to evaluate the voting areas within the new electoral districts. Voting areas, by statute, are limited to a maximum of 400 registered voters and are the administrative units which are the 'building blocks' for electoral management.

A Location Index was compiled to replace the previous Index of Settlements. The Location Index lists settlements, post-secondary educational institutions, federal and provincial correctional facilities, hospitals and other care facilities, and correlates these locations to their respective electoral districts. The publication also contains an electoral map of selected urban areas as an insert.

Redistribution activities include re-assignment of more than 1.5 million addresses and more than 2 million voters to the Province's new electoral districts, creation of electoral district conversion tables, review and adjustment of voting area boundaries. After the review and adjustment there were 8,462 voting areas. The final voting area maps, totaling 361, were created and reproduced with over 15,000 copies distributed to political parties, constituency associations, government agencies and the public.

A set of electoral district maps was also produced for the Elections BC Web site. These maps are viewable on the Web site, or they can be downloaded and printed.

The INDEA (Integrated Digital Electoral Atlas) system is used to manage the geo-coding of addresses in the address register, administration of electoral district boundaries and voting area boundaries and is a fundamental part of the smooth operation of EIS (Electoral Information System). INDEA is key to the implementation of electoral district redistribution and adjustment of voting area boundaries, and facilitated

map production, Street Index production, and the re-coding of addresses and voters in PVLS (Provincial Voters List System).

Communications

The Communications Division is responsible for ensuring public awareness of Elections BC's mandate and activities. As well, working with other Elections BC Divisions, Communications coordinates special voter registration opportunities, advertising and a variety of publications including brochures, guides and reports.

The Division encourages discussion between Elections BC and the general public, the news media and other levels and agencies of government.

Voter Outreach

Elections BC is always looking at new opportunities to ensure eligible voters are reminded to register and update their registration information. In 2000, Elections BC placed brightly coloured one page advertisements entitled "Are you on the provincial Voters List?" in several college and university student calendars across the Province.

Elections BC also placed a registration advertisement on all local cable stations throughout the Province. This advertisement was entitled "Just Moved?" and encouraged voters who recently moved to update their registration information.

These registration programs were very successful and generated thousands of transactions on the Provincial Voters List System as well as increasing public awareness.

Enhancing Accessibility

The Chief Electoral Officer, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer and the Manager of Corporate Communications met with Mary-Woo Sims, BC Human Rights Chief Commissioner and Pam Horton of the BC Coalition of People with Disabilities in late March. They discussed data collected

from voters with disabilities about their experiences during the November 1999 municipal elections with a view to removing real and perceived administrative barriers that discourage them from participating in the electoral process.

Elections BC also installed a TTY service for voters who are hearing impaired, and consulted with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) to ensure that the voters' template was properly designed to enable visually impaired voters to mark their own ballots.

Pacific National Exhibition

Over 3,800 confirmations, additions, and other updates were made to the Voters List during the 2000 Pacific National Exhibition (PNE), which was held in Vancouver from August 19 to September 4, 2000. Elections BC's PNE booth staff had online access to the Elections BC Web site and the Provincial Voters List System allowing voter records to be confirmed or updated on the spot.

Although the focus was on voter registration, staff also provided information on electoral district redistribution, nomination procedures and the recall and initiative processes. The PNE provided a point of access for groups of individuals who are traditionally under-represented on the Voters List, especially young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 and other first-time voters. It is also an opportunity to listen to public concerns and to improve their awareness of the electoral process.

Education Kit

An education kit called an 'Election Tool Kit' is being developed for use in British Columbia's Grade 5 classes. Teachers were contracted to ensure that the kit complements the 'democracy' element of the Grade 5 curriculum. The kit is complete in one box about the size of a briefcase. It contains a teachers' guide with templates for a Writ of Election, ballots and a Solemn Declaration of Secrecy, as well as a ballot box, voting screen and other election-related materials. A Tool Kit will be sent to every Grade 5 class in the Province early in 2001.

MarkTrend Survey

Elections BC contracted a professional consumer research firm to conduct a Province-wide survey to measure voter awareness. Telephone interviews were conducted with a sample of 500 randomly selected adults throughout British Columbia in mid-March. Respondents were asked questions on their knowledge of the voter registration process and the qualifications and opportunities to register as a Provincial voter. Results showed a high level of understanding of voter registration opportunities with overall increases in awareness compared to survey research conducted in the previous year.

Election Preparation

Advertising

During 2000 the Chief Electoral Officer, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer and Manager of Corporate Communications met regularly with members of its advertising agency's creative and design groups to plan Elections BC's advertising campaign for the next provincial general election.

Print, radio and television will be utilized. Two television ads will be produced to encourage participation in the electoral process by individuals in the 18-to-24 year old age group. Additional television ads will be developed for general audiences. Print advertisements and a 'householder' will be used to communicate more specific information, such as registration information and voting locations.

Toll Free Information Line

In preparation for the next provincial general election, additional office space was leased in downtown Victoria to accommodate Elections BC's toll free line. Leasehold improvements were underway in July, and in late August the workplace was set up and telephone and computer equipment installed. Workstations were acquired from Enquiry BC.

Recruitment, selection and training of temporary staff were undertaken simultaneously, and by mid-November, about 50 operators and eight supervisors were trained for general election duty.

The toll free site will be used for other purposes by Elections BC in the interim.

Where to Vote Cards

Where to Vote Cards, which are mailed to every registered voter in the days immediately preceding a General Voting Day, have been one of Elections BC's most widely distributed and most popular voter education vehicles for some time. The re-design uses a bar-coded registration number. The bar code allows for scanning technology to be used to process cards returned as 'undeliverable', while meeting Canada Post's design criteria.

The cards direct voters to their voting place on General Voting Day, and prompts them to call the Elections BC toll free line or check the Web site for Advance Voting locations.

Staff Training

During 2000, all staff of Elections BC attended two-day workshops in April, June and October. The sessions provided an overview of our mandate, the electoral process and various administrative and operational aspects of our work. Sessions were held in Victoria, and included opportunities for the staff to observe the Legislative Assembly in session.

Informal workshops were conducted regularly in the Chief Electoral Office. The workshops have included recall and initiative, nomination procedures, electoral finance, and various aspects of electoral administration. These in-house workshops are conducted by Elections BC staff, and are part of effective internal communications.

Inter-jurisdictional Sharing

Data-Sharing with Elections Canada

Under a data-sharing agreement with Elections Canada, Elections BC shares voter registration updates gathered through sources such as the Motor Voter Program. This data is used by Elections Canada for updating the National Register of Electors. Access to and use of this data by Elections BC and Elections Canada is restricted by both provincial and federal legislation.

CEO Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee to the National Register of Electors

The Chief Electoral Officer of British Columbia, together with the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada, are co-chairs of Elections Canada's Advisory Committee to the National Register of Electors. The committee provides a forum for discussion and input to Elections Canada's initiatives regarding data quality, security, time lines and processes. The Chief Electoral Officer of BC gave a presentation in Ottawa in April 2000 on using data from external sources.

The Committee is comprised of representatives from the Provinces of Ontario, Québec and Newfoundland, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Vital Statistics Council for Canada (VSCC) and the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) as well as the two co-chairs.

Focus Groups of Young Voters

In late August, the Chief Electoral Officer was invited by Elections Canada to observe focus groups of young voters from the Lower Mainland.

Earlier in the year, Elections Canada had distributed a direct-mail voter registration package to youth who could be voting for their first time at the next federal general election. The focus groups explored the thoughts and behaviours of young voters in response to the registration package.

Elections BC is developing strategies to encourage young voters to participate in electoral events.

Visitors' Program for Federal General Election

The Chief Electoral Officer travelled to Ottawa in late November 2000 to participate in Elections Canada's Visitors' Program to observe the administration of the federal general election. The program provided an opportunity to learn how Elections Canada organizes and delivers a general election, and included a review of their Event Management System, public communications, returning office and voting place administration and election returns.

Attended by electoral officers from Australia, Mexico, Hungary, the United Nations, the Organization of American States, and seven provincial/territorial jurisdictions, as well as members of the academic community, the program also provided an excellent opportunity for valuable exchanges on electoral administration.

Provincial Delegations

Paul Langevin, MLA, Chair of Alberta's Legislative Officers Committee, and O. Brian Fjeldheim, Alberta's Chief Electoral Officer, visited Elections BC for two days in mid-August. Their primary interest was in British Columbia's Electoral Information System (EIS) and the Recall and Initiative Petition Verification System known as RIVERS.

In late November, Elections Ontario sent a delegation for briefings on the application and development of our Electoral Information System.

International

In early October 2000, Elections BC was privileged to meet with Dr. M.S. Gill, the Chief Election Commissioner of India. Dr. Gill was interested in Elections BC's approach to Voters List management and map production. Elections BC staff discussed data sharing in Voters List administration. A representative of EDS Canada gave a presentation on

Elections BC's new Electoral Information System (EIS). As well, the General Manager of Barrodale Computing Services Ltd. gave a presentation on the BC Integrated Digital Electoral Atlas (INDEA) which contains a comprehensive and up-to-date network of roads and address ranges, along with other geographic and infrastructure features, for the entire Province. The Atlas is being developed in response to requirements by Elections BC for an integrated electronic dataset on which to base its management of Provincial elections.

In mid-October, Rebecca Coulthard, who is employed by the Canadian International Development Agency in Pretoria, South Africa, visited Elections BC. Ms. Coulthard met with the Chief Electoral Officer for a discussion on development of electoral policy and procedures, and how Elections BC might provide technical assistance to South Africa's Independent Electoral Commission.

Workshop for International Election Observers

In May 2000, the Chief Electoral Officer and Deputy Chief Electoral Officer provided a briefing to members of Common Borders who were preparing to observe the July 2, 2000 elections in Mexico for President, Congress, a number of state governors and the Mayor of Mexico City. The observer group was given an overview of the fundamental principles of a free and democratic electoral process, and the key elements necessary to satisfy themselves that an election is conducted in a fair and credible manner. The delegation was also provided with instruction on recognition and identification of voting irregularities and electoral fraud, and how to appropriately respond as observers in the event of an allegation or incident of this nature.

Conference of Canadian Election Officials

British Columbia's Chief Electoral Officer, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer, Director of Electoral Operations, and Manager of Finance and Administration attended the 2000 Conference in Winnipeg in late July.

The Conference provides a forum for senior federal, provincial and territorial election administrators to share information on jurisdictional activities, including legal and policy issues, administrative and operational matters, and related international electoral developments and activities.

With an electoral office in each province and territory, Canadian electoral officials have developed a tradition of sharing new ideas and best practices. Canadian election officials have met annually for more than 25 years.

Council on Governmental Ethics Laws (COGEL)

The Chief Electoral Officer, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer and the Manager of Electoral Finance attended the annual COGEL conference in Tampa, Florida in early December 2000. The conference agenda covered campaign finance including electronic filing of financial reports, freedom of information and protection of privacy, public sector ethics, and general electoral administration.

COGEL's annual conference provides an international forum for exchange on significant developments and trends in governmental ethics, elections, campaign finance, conflict of interest and lobby law. Elections BC is a long-standing member.

International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT)

The Chief Electoral Officer, a member of the Board of Directors, travelled to Cleveland, Ohio in mid-June for IACREOT's 29th Annual Conference, Trade Show and Educational Program. The education program included discussions on media relations, legal matters, professional ethics, and information technology.

The trade show held in conjunction with the conference provides a means of maintaining an awareness of new products and services, information technologies and their role in electoral administration.

Other Conferences and Seminars

In February 2000, the Chief Electoral Officer and Deputy Chief Electoral Officer attended a public forum sponsored by the Institute for Research on Public Policy (IRPP). The forum entitled 'Strengthening Canadian Democracy' was held in Vancouver and featured panel discussions involving academics, public officials and community leaders.

The Chief Electoral Officer attended a one-day conference entitled 'Making Votes Count' as an observer. Held in Vancouver in mid-May, the conference heard proposals for changes to British Columbia's electoral system.

The McGill Institute for the Study of Canada sponsored a Citizenship Conference in mid-October which was attended by the Chief Electoral Officer. The program included discussions on the citizenship education of young and new Canadians, two groups that historically have been under-represented in the voting population.

Legislative Interns

Prior to the Interns' Ministry assignments each year, the Chief Electoral Officer and Deputy Chief Electoral Officer brief them on the democratic process and the role of Elections BC. This presentation offers an opportunity for the interns to learn about the mandate and operations of this office, and to meet and question two senior officials responsible for administering the broad range of legislation and programs within the scope of Elections BC.

Pacific Press v. Attorney General of BC and Garry Nixon v. Attorney General of BC

Two separate constitutional challenges against British Columbia's *Election Act* were brought by Pacific Press, a Division of Southam Inc., and Garry Nixon, a British Columbia resident. Pacific Press challenged the constitutionality of the \$5,000.00 limit on third party spending and the requirement that methodological information be published with all opinion polls. Mr. Nixon challenged only the third party spending limits. The trial concluded in August 1999 and the judge reserved decision.

On February 9, 2000 the Supreme Court of British Columbia upheld the challenges to both third party spending limits and publication of polling data, ruling that the sections 235, 236, 237 and 238 of the *Election Act* contravene the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* and are of no force and effect. Although the provisions remain in the *Election Act*, the election advertising expense limit of \$5,000 is unenforceable. The requirements for third party advertisers to register and to file financial disclosure reports, however, remain in effect.

Elections BC was not involved in the proceedings but the outcome of the case has significant administrative implications for this office.

Friesen et al v. Hammell et al

In August 1996, three voters from three different electoral districts filed a Petition under section 150 of the *Election Act* for a declaration that the elections of three New Democratic Party Members of the Legislative Assembly at the May 1996 general election be declared invalid. The Petition alleged that the candidates used fraudulent means to persuade voters to vote for them, citing misleading campaign commentary on the state of the provincial budget. On August 3, 2000, the Supreme Court of British Columbia ordered that the Petition be dismissed. No appeal was filed.

A full report regarding this matter will be made by the Chief Electoral Officer to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

APPENDICES

Appendix A Political Parties

Registered Political Parties as at December 31, 2000

Accountability British Columbia Party
Alliance of Concerned Taxpayers
BC Youth Coalition
British Columbia Citizens Alliance Now
British Columbia Conservative Party
British Columbia First Alliance Association
British Columbia Liberal Party
British Columbia Social Credit Party
Canadian Alliance Party of British Columbia
Centre Democratic Party
Citizens Commonwealth Federation
Coalition British Columbia
Communist Party of BC
Council of British Columbians
Green Party Political Association of British Columbia
Natural Law Party of British Columbia
New Democratic Party of B.C.
Party of Citizens Who Have Decided To Think For Themselves
And Be Their Own Politicians
People's Front
Real Democracy Association of BC
Reform Party of British Columbia
The Alternative Party
The British Columbia Party
The Enterprise Party of British Columbia
The Family Coalition Party of British Columbia
United British Columbia Association
We The People Party
Western Canada Concept Party of BC

Political Parties Deregistered During 2000 for Failure to File 1999 Annual Financial Report

Labour Welfare Party

Political Parties that Voluntarily Deregistered During 2000

None

Political Parties Registered During 2000

BC Youth Coalition

British Columbia Citizens Alliance Now

Canadian Alliance Party of British Columbia

Centre Democratic Party

Council of British Columbians

We The People Party

Appendix B Constituency Associations

Due to the 1999 redistribution of the electoral boundaries, there were two groups of registered constituency associations - those registered for electoral districts established in the 1989 redistribution and those registered for electoral districts established in 1999. The 1989 electoral districts were disestablished on April 18, 2001, when the writs were issued for the May 16, 2001 general election.

Registered Constituency Associations as at December 31, 2000

1989 Electoral Districts

Abbotsford Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Alberni New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Bulkley Valley-Stikine New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Bulkley Valley-Stikine Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Burnaby-Edmonds New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burnaby North Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Burnaby-Willingdon New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Cariboo North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Cariboo North Reform Party Constituency Association
Cariboo North Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Cariboo South Green Party Constituency Association
Cariboo South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Chilliwack New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Chilliwack Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Columbia River-Revelstoke New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Comox Valley Accountability Party Constituency Association
Coquitlam-Maillardville New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Coquitlam-Maillardville Reform Party Constituency Association
Cowichan-Ladysmith New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Delta North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Delta South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Delta South Reform Party Constituency Association
Delta South Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Fort Langley-Aldergrove New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Fort Langley-Aldergrove Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Kamloops New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kamloops-North Thompson New Democratic Party Constituency Association

Registered Constituency Associations as at December 31, 2000 (continued)

1989 Electoral Districts

Kamloops-North Thompson Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Malahat-Juan de Fuca New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Matsqui New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Nanaimo New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Nelson-Creston New Democratic Party Constituency Association
New Westminster New Democratic Party Constituency Association
North Coast Social Credit Party Constituency Association
North Vancouver-Lonsdale New Democratic Party Constituency Association
North Vancouver-Lonsdale Social Credit Party Constituency Association
North Vancouver-Seymour New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Oak Bay-Gordon Head New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Boundary New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Boundary Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Okanagan East Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Penticton Green Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Penticton New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan West New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan West Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Peace River North Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Peace River South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Port Coquitlam New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Port Moody-Burnaby Mountain New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Powell River-Sunshine Coast Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Mount Robson New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George North Green Party Constituency Association
Prince George North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Omineca New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Richmond Centre New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Richmond Centre Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Richmond East New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Richmond East Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Richmond-Steveston New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Richmond-Steveston Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Rossland-Trail Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Saanich South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Saanich South Liberal Party Constituency Association
Shuswap New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Shuswap Social Credit Party Constituency Association

Registered Constituency Associations as at December 31, 2000 (continued)

1989 Electoral Districts

Skeena New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Skeena Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Cloverdale Green Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Cloverdale New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Green Timbers New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Newton New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-White Rock New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Burrard Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Fraserview New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Fraserview Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Hastings New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Hastings Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Kensington New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Kensington Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Kingsway New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Kingsway Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Langara New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Langara Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Little Mountain New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Little Mountain Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Mount Pleasant New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Mount Pleasant Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Point Grey New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Point Grey Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Quilchena Green Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Quilchena New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Quilchena Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Victoria-Beacon Hill Green Party Constituency Association
Victoria-Hillside New Democratic Party Constituency Association
West Vancouver-Capilano New Democratic Party Constituency Association
West Vancouver-Capilano Social Credit Party Constituency Association
West Vancouver-Garibaldi Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Yale-Lillooet New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Yale-Lillooet Social Credit Party Constituency Association

1999 Electoral Districts

Abbotsford-Clayburn New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Abbotsford-Mount Lehman New Democratic Party Constituency Association

Registered Constituency Associations as at December 31, 2000 (continued)

1999 Electoral Districts

Alberni-Qualicum Green Party Constituency Association
Alberni-Qualicum New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Bulkley Valley-Stikine Reform Party Constituency Association
Burnaby-Edmonds New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burnaby-Edmonds Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Burnaby North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burnaby-Willingdon New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burquitlam New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burquitlam Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Cariboo North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Cariboo North Reform Party Constituency Association
Cariboo South Green Party Constituency Association
Cariboo South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Chilliwack-Kent New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Chilliwack-Sumas New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Columbia River-Revelstoke New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Comox Valley Green Party Constituency Association
Comox Valley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Coquitlam-Maillardville New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Coquitlam-Maillardville Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Cowichan-Ladysmith New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Delta North BC Youth Party Constituency Association
Delta North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Delta North Social Credit Party Constituency Association
East Kootenay New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Esquimalt-Metchosin New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Fort Langley-Aldergrove New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kamloops New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kamloops-North Thompson New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kelowna-Lake Country New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kelowna-Mission New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Langley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Malahat-Juan de Fuca New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Maple Ridge-Mission New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Maple Ridge-Mission Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Nanaimo New Democratic Party Constituency Association

Registered Constituency Associations as at December 31, 2000 (continued)

1999 Electoral Districts

Nanaimo-Parksville New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Nelson-Creston Green Party Constituency Association
Nelson-Creston New Democratic Party Constituency Association
New Westminster Green Party Constituency Association
New Westminster New Democratic Party Constituency Association
New Westminster Social Credit Party Constituency Association
North Coast New Democratic Party Constituency Association
North Island New Democratic Party Constituency Association
North Vancouver-Lonsdale New Democratic Party Constituency Association
North Vancouver-Seymour New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Oak Bay-Gordon Head New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Vernon New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Vernon Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Westside New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Peace River North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Peace River North Reform Party Constituency Association
Peace River South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Peace River South Reform Party Constituency Association
Peace River South Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Penticton-Okanagan Valley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Port Coquitlam-Burke Mountain New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Port Coquitlam-Burke Mountain Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Port Moody-Westwood Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Powell River-Sunshine Coast Green Party Constituency Association
Powell River-Sunshine Coast New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Mount Robson New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Mount Robson Reform Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Mount Robson Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Prince George North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George North Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Prince George North Reform Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Omineca New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Omineca Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Omineca Reform Party Constituency Association
Richmond Centre New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Richmond East New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Richmond-Steveston New Democratic Party Constituency Association

Registered Constituency Associations as at December 31, 2000 (continued)

1999 Electoral Districts

Saanich North and the Islands Green Party Constituency Association
Saanich North and the Islands New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Saanich South New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Shuswap New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Skeena New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Green Timbers New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Newton New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Whalley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Whalley Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Surrey-White Rock New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Surrey-White Rock Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Burrard New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Fairview New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Fraserview New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Hastings New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Hastings Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Kensington New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Kingsway New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Langara New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Point Grey New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Quilchena New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Quilchena Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Victoria-Beacon Hill Green Party Constituency Association
Victoria-Beacon Hill New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Victoria-Hillside New Democratic Party Constituency Association
West Kootenay-Boundary New Democratic Party Constituency Association
West Kootenay-Boundary Reform Party Constituency Association
West Vancouver-Garibaldi New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Yale-Lillooet New Democratic Party Constituency Association

Constituency Associations that Voluntarily Deregistered During 2000

1989 Electoral Districts

Abbotsford New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burnaby North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Burnaby-Edmonds Social Credit Party Constituency Association

Constituency Associations that Voluntarily Deregistered During 2000 (continued)

1989 Electoral Districts

Burnaby-Willingdon Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Comox Valley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Delta North Family Coalition Party Constituency Association
Delta South Family Coalition Party Constituency Association
Esquimalt-Metchosin New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kamloops Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Kootenay New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Kootenay Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Langley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Langley Reform Party Constituency Association
Langley Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Mission-Kent New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Nelson-Creston Green Party Constituency Association
New Westminster Social Credit Party Constituency Association
North Coast New Democratic Party Constituency Association
North Island New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan East New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Okanagan-Vernon New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Parksville-Qualicum New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Peace River North New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Peace River South Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Powell River-Sunshine Coast New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Prince George-Mount Robson Social Credit Party Constituency Association
Rossland-Trail New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Saanich North and the Islands Green Party Constituency Association
Saanich North and the Islands New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Shuswap Reform Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Whalley Family Coalition Party Constituency Association
Surrey-Whalley New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Vancouver-Burrard New Democratic Party Constituency Association
Victoria-Beacon Hill New Democratic Party Constituency Association
West Vancouver-Garibaldi Reform Party Constituency Association
West Vancouver-Garibaldi New Democratic Party Constituency Association

1999 Electoral Districts

Surrey-Whalley Family Coalition Party Constituency Association

Appendix C Initiative Petition Financing Report - Child Services Equality Act

**James McDermott
Proponent**

Income		
Initiative Contributions		\$
Individuals		9,614
Corporations		-
Unincorporated Businesses		5,528
Trade Unions		-
Non-Profit Organizations		-
Other Contributors		-
Anonymous Contributions		40
Total Initiative Contributions		15,182
Fundraising Income		-
Other Income		-
Total Income		15,182
Expenses		
Bank Charges		15
Brochures		-
Convention, Workshop & Meeting Expenses		-
Data Processing		-
Fees Charged by Chief Electoral Officer		50
Furniture and Equipment		423
Insurance		-
Media Advertising		783
Newsletters		-
Office Rent		-
Office Supplies, Stationary		890
Personal Expenses of Authorized Participant		-
Postage and Courier		570
Printing		460
Printing of Petition Sheets		-
Professional Services		10,078
Research and Polling		-
Salaries and Benefits		-
Signs		-
Social Functions		-
Telecommunications		490
Travel		1,413
Victory/Thank You Party		-
Total Cost of Fundraising Functions		-
Other		-
Total Expenses		15,172
Surplus (Deficit)		10
Initiative Expenses Subject to Limit		10,084
Initiative Expenses Not Subject to Limit		5,088
Other Expenses		-

Appendix D 2000 NDP Leadership Contestants' Financing Reports

	Ujjal Dosanjh	Corky Evans
Income		
Political Contributions	\$	\$
Individuals	114,580	37,368
Corporations	115,899	10,100
Unincorporated Businesses	29,483	1,375
Trade Unions	15,298	5,600
Non-Profit Organizations	-	-
Other Contributors	-	3,856
Anonymous Contributions	49	346
Total Political Contributions	275,309	58,645
Fundraising Income	-	1,100
Other Income	-	-
Total Income	275,309	59,745
Expenses		
Leadership Contestant Expenses		
Accounting and Audit Services	4,066	-
Bad Debt Expense	1,750	-
Bank Charges	154	96
Brochures	7,532	5,736
Convention, Workshop & Meeting Expenses	5,736	4,261
Data Processing	-	2,023
Furniture and Equipment	2,646	-
Insurance	500	500
Interest Expense	-	-
Media Advertising	6,467	1,196
Newsletters	-	695
Office Rent	6,033	2,379
Office Supplies, Stationary	1,831	725
Personal Expenses of Contestant	5,823	8,828
Postage and Courier	5,445	293
Printing	10,267	-
Professional Services	6,941	-
Promotional Materials	6,098	11,454
Research and Polling	1,200	2,904
Salaries and Benefits	58,249	6,000
Signs	2,831	-
Social Functions	3,861	-
Telecommunications	11,085	3,635
Travel	11,579	510
Utilities and Maintenance	-	-
Victory/Thank You Party	21,234	2,075
Total Cost of Fundraising Functions	5,042	-
Other	1,072	13,135
Total Leadership Contestant Expenses	187,442	66,445
Surplus (Deficit)	87,867	(6,700)

2000 NDP Leadership Contestants' Financing Reports (continued)

	Joy MacPhail	Len Werden
Income		
Political Contributions	\$	\$
Individuals	7,760	1,115
Corporations	21,250	-
Unincorporated Businesses	3,250	-
Trade Unions	15,000	5,650
Non-Profit Organizations	-	-
Other Contributors	-	-
Anonymous Contributions	-	-
Total Political Contributions	47,260	6,765
Fundraising Income	-	-
Other Income	-	-
Total Income	47,260	6,765
Expenses		
Leadership Contestant Expenses		
Accounting and Audit Services	-	-
Bad Debt Expense	-	-
Bank Charges	62	-
Brochures	-	-
Convention, Workshop & Meeting Expenses	267	-
Data Processing	-	-
Furniture and Equipment	1,674	50
Insurance	-	-
Interest Expense	-	-
Media Advertising	-	650
Newsletters	-	-
Office Rent	3,424	450
Office Supplies, Stationary	944	211
Personal Expenses of Contestant	-	230
Postage and Courier	1,191	90
Printing	-	-
Professional Services	-	-
Promotional Materials	-	-
Research and Polling	-	-
Salaries and Benefits	2,100	-
Signs	14,456	2,129
Social Functions	-	-
Telecommunications	2,485	1,341
Travel	4,996	-
Utilities and Maintenance	-	-
Victory/Thank You Party	-	-
Total Cost of Fundraising Functions	-	-
Other	11,815	1,614
Total Leadership Contestant Expenses	43,414	6,765
Surplus (Deficit)	3,846	0

2000 NDP Leadership Contestants' Financing Reports (continued)

Gordon Wilson

Income		\$
Political Contributions		
Individuals		24,862
Corporations		10,950
Unincorporated Businesses		2,278
Trade Unions		18,409
Non-Profit Organizations		-
Other Contributors		11,181
Anonymous Contributions		660
Total Political Contributions		68,340
Fundraising Income		2,800
Other Income		-
Total Income		71,140
Expenses		
Leadership Contestant Expenses		
Accounting and Audit Services		963
Bad Debt Expense		-
Bank Charges		110
Brochures		3,391
Convention, Workshop & Meeting Expenses		6,456
Data Processing		-
Furniture and Equipment		-
Insurance		-
Interest Expense		-
Media Advertising		1,766
Newsletters		-
Office Rent		2,021
Office Supplies, Stationary		619
Personal Expenses of Contestant		9,105
Postage and Courier		374
Printing		-
Professional Services		228
Promotional Materials		2,167
Research and Polling		-
Salaries and Benefits		14,939
Signs		1,509
Social Functions		-
Telecommunications		6,374
Travel		3,798
Utilities and Maintenance		-
Victory/Thank You Party		625
Total Cost of Fundraising Functions		9,332
Other		6,588
Total Leadership Contestant Expenses		70,365
Surplus (Deficit)		775

2000 Green Party Leadership Contestants' Financing Reports

Adriane Carr Wally Du Temple

Income		
Political Contributions	\$	\$
Individuals	1,385	1,534
Corporations	-	-
Unincorporated Businesses	-	-
Trade Unions	-	-
Non-Profit Organizations	-	-
Other Contributors	-	-
Anonymous Contributions	-	-
Total Political Contributions	1,385	1,534
Fundraising Income	-	-
Other Income	-	-
Total Income	1,385	1,534
Expenses		
Leadership Contestant Expenses		
Accounting and Audit Services	-	-
Bad Debt Expense	-	-
Bank Charges	-	-
Brochures	-	158
Convention, Workshop & Meeting Expenses	-	-
Data Processing	-	-
Furniture and Equipment	-	-
Insurance	-	-
Interest Expense	-	-
Media Advertising	67	-
Newsletters	-	-
Office Rent	-	-
Office Supplies, Stationary	-	101
Personal Expenses of Contestant	682	1,148
Postage and Courier	199	49
Printing	319	-
Professional Services	-	-
Promotional Materials	-	25
Research and Polling	-	-
Salaries and Benefits	-	-
Signs	-	-
Social Functions	-	-
Telecommunications	108	53
Travel	-	-
Utilities and Maintenance	-	-
Victory/Thank You Party	-	-
Total Cost of Fundraising Functions	-	-
Other	-	-
Total Leadership Contestant Expenses	1,385	1,534
Surplus (Deficit)	0	0

2000 Green Party Leadership Contestants' Financing Reports (continued)

Andy Shadrack

Income		\$
Political Contributions		
Individuals	2,041	
Corporations	-	
Unincorporated Businesses	-	
Trade Unions	-	
Non-Profit Organizations	-	
Other Contributors	-	
Anonymous Contributions	51	
Total Political Contributions	2,092	
Fundraising Income	-	
Other Income	-	
Total Income	2,092	
Expenses		
Leadership Contestant Expenses		
Accounting and Audit Services	-	
Bad Debt Expense	-	
Bank Charges	4	
Brochures	-	
Convention, Workshop & Meeting Expenses	-	
Data Processing	-	
Furniture and Equipment	-	
Insurance	-	
Interest Expense	-	
Media Advertising	50	
Newsletters	-	
Office Rent	-	
Office Supplies, Stationary	-	
Personal Expenses of Contestant	1,391	
Postage and Courier	75	
Printing	284	
Professional Services	-	
Promotional Materials	-	
Research and Polling	-	
Salaries and Benefits	-	
Signs	-	
Social Functions	-	
Telecommunications	108	
Travel	-	
Utilities and Maintenance	-	
Victory/Thank You Party	-	
Total Cost of Fundraising Functions	-	
Other	180	
Total Leadership Contestant Expenses	2,092	
Surplus (Deficit)	0	

Appendix E Elections BC Expenditures and Budgeted Appropriation

1999/2000 Expenditures ¹

	\$
Salaries and Benefits	3,766,732
Operating Costs	8,398,821
Other	8,536
Recoveries	-
Total 1999/2000 Expenditures	<u>12,174,089</u>

2000/2001 Budgeted Appropriation ²

Salaries and Benefits	2,614,000
Operating Costs	2,440,000
Asset Acquisition	3,044,000
Other Expenditures	4,922,000
Total 2000/2001 Budgeted Appropriation	<u>13,020,000</u>

¹ From 1999/2000 Public Accounts

² From 2000/2001 Estimates

Appendix F Orders of the Chief Electoral Officer

Section 280 of the Election Act authorizes the Chief Electoral Officer to make specific or general orders. During 2000, 13 Orders were made by the Chief Electoral Officer and Deputy Chief Electoral Officer.

Order Number	Date	Order
1	March 6	Grant financial filing extension to 3 political parties regarding the 1999 Delta South By-election.
2	March 6	Grant financial filing extension to 1 candidate regarding the 1999 Delta South By-election.
3	March 31	Grant financial filing extension to 3 political parties and 5 constituency associations regarding the annual financial report for the 1999 calendar year.
4	April 28	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the 1999 Delta South By-election.
5	April 28	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the annual financial report for the 1999 calendar year.
6	May 16	Grant financial filing extension to 2 leadership contestants regarding the February 20, 2000, New Democratic Party leadership contest.
7	May 24	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the 1999 Delta South By-election.

Orders of the Chief Electoral Officer (continued)

Order Number	Date	Order
8	May 25	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the annual financial report for the 1999 calendar year.
9	June 22	Grant financial filing extension to 1 leadership contestant regarding the February 20, 2000, New Democratic Party leadership contest.
10	September 5	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the 1999 Delta South By-election.
11	September 5	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the annual financial report for the 1999 calendar year.
12	September 18	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the 1999 Delta South By-election.
13	September 18	Grant financial filing extension to 1 political party regarding the annual financial report for the 1999 calendar year.