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Southern California State Senator Tom McClintock Continues  
Troubling Pattern of Double Talk with District 4 Voters

Reports Show McClintock Continuing to Raise Money for 2010 Campaign for  
State Board of Equalization

Campaign Finance Reports filed this week with the California Secretary of  
State show that Southern California State Senator Tom McClintock has  
continued to raise and spend money from his 2010 statewide campaign  
committees while campaigning for Congress in CA-04.

The Report is here: [http://cal-  
access.sos.ca.gov/Campaign/Committees/Detail.aspx?id=1293155&session=  
2007&view=electronic](http://cal-access.sos.ca.gov/Campaign/Committees/Detail.aspx?id=1293155&session=2007&view=electronic)

Since the beginning of the year--and even after he announced his  
exploratory committee for Congress-- Tom McClintock spent over \$50,000  
for his potential 2010 campaign for California State Board of Equalization and  
raised over \$32,000 during this time period. These figures include 3  
contributions to his 2010 statewide campaign fund on the same day  
he announced his congressional bid for CA-04, and thousands more in  
the months that followed---including a contribution from tobacco giant  
Reynolds American.

Reminiscent of Congressman John Doolittle, Senator McClintock also made a  
\$15,000 donation marked "charity" to his own political organization---"Tom  
McClintock's Citizens for the California Republic."

In addition, Senator McClintock employed the same finance director – Igor  
Birman – to solicit contributions for both his federal and state committees.  
Mr. Birman was paid to solicit funds for the non-federal committee through  
March 5, 2008 and began receiving payments from the federal committee on  
Feb. 6, 2008.

Using state campaign funds for a federal campaign is illegal.

State Senator McClintock has now run for office in California 9 times, and  
owns the record for the most statewide election defeats in California history.

On March 4, 2008, he announced he was running for Congress in CA-04, yet  
maintained 2010 campaign committees for Board of Equalization and Lt.  
Governor. An amendment to either committee's campaign statement for  
termination can be made at any time and would appear instantaneously on  
the Secretary of State's website. No such amendments have been filed.

Earlier this month, after it was reported that the state campaign committees were still open, Senator McClintock told the Grass Valley Union (7/21) that he was not actively raising money for the committees. McClintock's Finance Director told the El Dorado Mt. Democrat (7/16) that all the money from the committees was being donated to charity.

His latest FPPC Reports confirm that neither statement was correct.

In response, retired Lt. Col. Charlie Brown released the following statement.

"I decided to run for Congress to do what the career politicians have repeatedly failed to do—bring people together to solve problems in our district and across our country. I have no ambition for higher office because I believe there is no greater honor than to serve the nation I dedicated my life to defending, and to represent the community where I have lived, worked and raised my family these past 17 years.

It's time for State Senator McClintock to level with the people in our community. What office are you running for? Will you give back all the money you've raised for your statewide bid since February 1, 2008 – including the money you took from the tobacco companies?"

Brown's Campaign Manager Todd Stenhouse added:

"Tom McClintock's unquenchable thirst for power, contradictory statements and questionable fundraising tactics are typical of a career politician, and exemplify what's wrong in Washington."

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