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Re: <u>RNC v. FEC, et al. (02-1727-ATX); California Democratic Party, et al. (02-1753-ATX);</u> Libertarian National Committee, et al. (02-1733-ATX)

Dear Mr. Suter:

The political parties respectfully submit this reply to the letter submitted on June 10 by Intervenors in the above-captioned cases. Although not objecting to the proposals of any other plaintiffs, the Intervenors have objected to the political parties' request to submit a single 100-page opening brief, and a 50-page reply.

The Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act at issue in this case impacts political parties more than any other group, and has been challenged by Republican, Democratic, and Libertarian party committees. Yet, of the eleven plaintiff groups in this case, the only groups that have agreed to file a single brief are the political parties. We anticipate that a major part of the defendants' combined 240 pages of briefing will be devoted to the issues uniquely affecting political parties, and only the political parties are positioned to anticipate and respond effectively to these arguments on their own behalf. The requested length of 100 pages is no longer than the total if the political parties filed separately. Accordingly, the political party plaintiffs renew their request for a single, consolidated political party brief of 100 pages, with a 50-page reply.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby R. Burchfield

IN THE SU	UPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
REPUI	BLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, et al.
	Appellants
	v.
FED!	ERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, et al.
_	Appellees
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