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Mr. Jimmy Garrett,

Please let me apologize for this hand written response. My printer quit and I wanted to make sure you had my response.

In regards to section E of the reported findings, I received a check from Mr. Dave Barber for a thousand dollars to the Saline County Sheriff Department. I went to First Security Bank to deposit the check. The Bank teller told me that due to the fact in the memo area of the check it stated for any purpose that I didn't have to deposit the check. I cashed the check and gave the money to the Saline County Station of the Police. The money was used for purchase of equipment for the Saline County Sheriff Office. S.W. A.T. Wright

In regards to the use of the County Credit Card. I ask about the use of the County Credit Card prior to ever using it. I was told it was OK as long as the bill was paid each month if it was used. I was also told that other elected officials did it as well as other county employees.

There was never any campaign funds used for any repayment for any charges made. All campaign funds had been depleted. I continued to put my money into that account to keep it active. I had a storage building that contained all my campaign material that I had to pay for each month, as well as other expenses.

I thank you in advance.

Respectfully signed,

Bruce Pennington