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WASHINGTON, June 28—The Common Cause lawsuit that forced disclosure of more than \$20-million in secret contributions to President Nixon's 1972 campaign was dismissed today in United States District Court. Judge Joseph C. Waddy accused the citizens' lobbying group of "harassment" of the President's backers and ruled that recent higher court opinions cut the ground from under the lawsuit.

In effect, Common Cause won the suit last Sept. 28 when the President's backers turned over their financial records under court order. However, Common Cause lawyers were continuing to search for more hidden funds with the court's approval.

Common Cause lawyers said they had discovered almost \$2-million more in such funds when Judge Waddy dismissed the case today.

With the dismissal, a number of campaign documents were unsealed by Judge Waddy, including a list of prospects for money raisers called the "ABCD list."

Suggestions on Amounts

This "hit list," as some at Common Cause described it, included such items as this:

- "East Family, Sarito [Texas] target amount: 100/200 [thousand dollars] ask big. Won't get much. Needs to be scared."
- "Howard Boyd, Houston, target amount 100—El Paso Natural Gas Company—antitrust—Algeria (FPC)."
- "Ross Perot, assigned to MHS, target amount 200-250 — Connally will help."
- "Glen Turner, assigned to Hamon, no target amount — hard times."
- "Walter R. Davis, assigned to MHS, target amount 50 — dangerous."
- "Nelson Wright Freeman, assigned to MHS, target amount 200—Tenneco. How to do it?"

- Ask Tom Corcoran."
- "Frank Sinatra, assigned to J. W. Jones, target amount 100."
- "Russell Train, target amount 15—chairman of Council of Environmental Quality. Has given \$11,000."
- "Mr. and Mrs. John W. Warner, assigned to Fitz, target amount 50-100—now Sect. of Navy. Has given \$2,500. 9/30/72."
- "Charles W. Steadman, assigned to Fitz, Hofgren, target amount 25—hot aid. No contribution."
- "Perle Mesta, assigned to HS, R. Woods, target amount 50-100—no support."
- "Fred M. Alger III, assigned to Curry, target amount 25—John Mosler—very wealthy recent merger."
- "Elmer Holmes Bobst, assigned to HWK, target amount 100/200, amount received 100,000."

Some of the notations on the list are not identifiable. However, MHS is Maurice H. Stans, former Commerce Secretary; HWK is Herbert W. Kalmbach, the President's former personal lawyer; R. Woods is Rose Mary Woods, the President's personal secretary; J. W. Jones is J. Walter Jones, wealthy Baltimore land developer and friend of former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew.

Howard Boyd is chairman of El Paso Natural Gas, which has had one of the longest antitrust suits ever contested before the courts and whose company was interested in Federal Power Commission rulings on importing liquid natural gas from Algeria.

Mr. Perot is a Texas computer and brokerage millionaire. Mr. Turner is a promoter of a cosmetics selling scheme. Mr. Davis is senior executive vice president of the Occidental Petroleum Corporation. Mr. Freeman is president of Tenneco, Inc., and Mr. Steadman is a Cleveland financier.

Perle Mesta is a former Washington society hostess now

living in Oklahoma, while Mr. Alger is from a wealthy Michigan political family, and Mr. Bobst, retired chairman of Warner Lambert Pharmaceuticals, is a long-time friend of President Nixon.

A List of \$250,000

Another list made public today showed about \$250,000 in contributions from 15 individuals and corporations that were apparently pledged to the President and channeled through other committees such as the Republican National Committee, the Republican National Finance Committee and Richard Nixon Associates.

Some of the names on the list were drawn from 12 handwritten ledgers kept by Hugh W. Sloan Jr., former treasurer for the G.O.P. committee. They included Winthrop Rockefeller, \$25,000; the Chrysler Corporation, \$68,000; and North American Rockwell Corporation, \$66,000.

Mitchell Rogovin and Kenneth V. Guido Jr., lawyers for Common Cause, the citizens lobbying organization, said the moneys involved in the various lists represented funds never before reported as having been pledged to the President but actually channeled into other groups and committees.

Other Lists Added

Another list, the lawyers said, was called the "Alpha-four" and was a four-column alphabetical list that was, like the others, submitted by the committee last September.

However, they said, it contained what looked like gaps and on studying the original lists, they found names and amounts covered by strips of white paper that had been glued on to them.

By holding the original lists up to a light, they said, the names and amounts could be made out. This technique, they said, added \$750,000 more to their list of unreported funds.

A third source, that revealed \$825,000 more they said, was money raised by the President and sent to various state committees - in what was called "quota reports."

Leon T. Knauer, in arguing for dismissal of the case today before Judge Waddy, noted that the United States Court of Appeals here in April had decided a case title Nader v. Saxbe.