

Republicans Name 1,290 Donors In Final Part of Suit Settlement

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 5— Thursday identified 283 donors President Nixon's campaign finance committee disclosed today the names of 1,290 more previously unidentified contributors to Mr. Nixon's re-election effort. The donors gave a total of \$490,000.

More than one-quarter of it—\$133,241—came from contributors, many of them business and financial executives, in California, Ohio and Texas, the three states that receive the most in Government defense contracts.

Citizens for Good Government, a voluntary political fund operated for management level employees of LTV Corporation was listed for a total of \$60,000 in pooled gifts of under \$1,000 each from LTV executives. The Dallas-based aerospace conglomerate was ranked 10th in volume of defense contracts last year.

Employees of the national accounting firm of Ernst & Ernst contributed in a similar manner to the Nixon campaign.

Common Cause, the "citizens lobby" that obtained the donor list in an out-of-court settlement of a suit to force disclosure by the Finance Committee to Reelect the President, said the roster of 1,290 names included 120 officials of Ernst & Ernst in 40 cities. Most of them gave \$250 each, for a total of \$29,000.

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Julian Kay, an Ernst & Ernst executive here, was treasurer of the Republicans' Victory '72 dinner fund committee this year, and Ernst & Ernst officials contributed even larger amounts to that group, as well.

The list of names released today by the Republicans was the second and concluded a two-part agreement in the Common Cause case. The settlement temporarily halted Common Cause's effort to force disclosure of all Nixon donors, including those between March 10 and April 7 of this year, when the mandatory disclosure requirements of the new Federal Election Campaign Act took effect.

Under terms of the agreement, the Republicans last

of \$4,972,338 in gifts of \$1,000 or more. The total in both these pre-April 7 disclosures—\$5,463,238—reportedly represents about one-third of the funds raised for the President's re-election before the stricter financial reporting provisions of the new law came into effect.

If that report is correct, it would mean that in a 27-day period between March 10 and April 7 of this year, Mr. Nixon's fund raisers collected about \$10-million, the source of which is still unknown.

\$5-Million on Hand

The latest reports under the new act showed the Republicans to have had about \$5-million in cash on hand as of Oct. 26.

The final pre-election disclosure statements by Senator George McGovern's campaign officials seemed to confirm optimistic McGovern staff reports that the Democratic candidate would not end his campaign with a huge debt, as once expected.

The McGovern direct-mail and television appeal for small contributions is bringing in up to \$500,000 a day and providing a steady flow of funds to repay about \$4-million in loans negotiated earlier with a few wealthy backers.

650,000 Donors

The McGovern staff estimates that more than 650,000 persons have contributed about \$8-million in small amounts to his campaign.

McGovern donors in the last reporting period, Oct. 17 to 26, included Tennessee Williams, the playwright, and Alida Rockefeller, a daughter of John D. Rockefeller 3d, each of whom gave \$1,000.

Senator McGovern received a campaign-closing boost from labor—\$25,000 from the Political Action Fund of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, \$10,000 from members of the United Auto Workers, and the forgiveness of \$90,000 of a \$100,000 loan from the Communications Workers of America.