

Senator Migden's Amended Campaign Finance Filings: More Questions Than Answers

Among the more serious violations and questionable bookkeeping, Migden:

- Fails to explain or resolve illegal transfer of almost \$1 million in surplus campaign funds from Migden's Assembly re-election committee to her Senate election committee.
- Fails to account for \$290,000 in illegal transfers from Migden's illegal Board of Equalization (BOE) committee.
- Fails to account for almost \$248,000 in un-itemized expenses from her illegal BOE committee (\$207,000) and her Senate election committee (\$41,000). Amended report characterizes both as amounts as "adjustments to correct cash on hand."
- Fails to explain why her illegal BOE account is still open when the Political Reform Act requires that it should have been closed in 2003 (amended report shows ending cash of \$20,835.55, with payments of \$7,962; original report showed ending cash of \$5,700, with payments of \$496,000).
- Fails to fully account for \$350,000 transfer to re-election committee.
- Fails to explain almost \$400,000 in un-itemized campaign credit card expenditures from previous reporting periods.
- Fails to itemize \$16,000 in additional campaign credit card expenditures during the first half of 2007.
- Fails to explain cancellation of \$11,000 credit card debt from her BOE committee, describing it as "accrued in error."
- Fails to account for disappearance of \$212,000 credit on her Senate committee credit card.
- Fails to explain or provide documentation in amended filings for backdating \$350,000 in transfers among accounts.
- Fails to report a \$20,000 contribution to an outside political action committee that was later refunded to her BOE committee.