

1 "Campaign Consulting Fee." Do you have any recollection of that change or why
2 it would have occurred?
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4 Former Treasurer: No.
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6 Helen Eisner: No? Okay. Do you recall any type of change in Mr. Collins' responsibilities
7 during that time period from 2013-2014?
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9 Former Treasurer: No.
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11 Helen Eisner: No. Okay. And-
12

13 Paul Solis: And that same question that Ms. Eisner just asked except more broadly, during
14 your time as being treasurer affiliated with the campaign committee, did Mr.
15 Collins role ever change through the work he performed at the campaign
16 committee?
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18 Former Treasurer: It was an ongoing thing as I recall.
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20 Paul Solis: So you're not aware of any changes he made to his- the work he did?
21

22 Former Treasurer: No.
23

24 Paul Solis: Okay.
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26 Helen Eisner: Were there any other- I think earlier you mentioned sort of the term
27 "irregularities" regarding the campaign and we talked about a few. Were there
28 any other irregularities during your time as treasurer?
29

30 Former Treasurer: No. No no.
31

32 Helen Eisner: Okay. And any specific confrontations?

1 Former Treasurer: No. I remember researching, well I had one of the FEC lawyers here research the
2 law because just to be sure that the campaign could pay an employee, which I
3 think is a terrible rule by the way, but again, that is your concern, not mine.
4 Anyway, I remember questioning the legality of it and was told that it was
5 permissible.
6
7 Helen Eisner: During your time as treasurer, did you ever have a request from Mr. Collins, or
8 anyone else on Congressman Lewis' staff, to assist with annual financial
9 disclosure reports for the House of Representatives, or provide documents?
10
11 Former Treasurer: No.
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13 Helen Eisner: No. Okay.
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15 Former Treasurer: But, like I said, we advise. You might want to talk to Jeremy or Scott, but we
16 advise from time to time a question might come up. I do recall, one of the last
17 things I did as treasurer, is Arthur Blank invited John to his box. I do not
18 remember the year and we had to end up reimbursing and I handled that. That
19 was the last thing I remember handling, reimbursing the Atlanta Falcons for
20 sitting in the box or something like that. That would show up on the reports.
21
22 Helen Eisner: What was Mr. Collins' role or involvement in that incident?
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24 Former Treasurer: I just called and told him we needed a check.
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26 Helen Eisner: Okay. Would he have authorized the initial disbursement that needed
27 reimbursement regarding that box?
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29 Former Treasurer: Here is the situation. You have got to get that in real life, that is not the way it
30 works.
31
32 Helen Eisner: Okay.
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1 Former Treasurer: What happened is Arthur Blank invites John to sit in his box, and Michael. And
2 so, John, is a guest in his box. We discover that, hey, you cannot do that and so,
3 we reimbursed the Falcons for what it cost for the tickets.
4

5 Helen Eisner: Okay. Understood.
6

7 Former Treasurer: It is kind of funny and I will tell you a little . . . half the things I used to get
8 invited to, I would rather not go to, and then you would have to end up paying for
9 it. And, John had rather probably been sitting in the cheap seats somewhere with
10 the people watching the game, rather than being up there in the box.
11

12 Helen Eisner: During your time at the campaign, was there ever any understanding that Mr.
13 Collins' work for the campaign was on a volunteer basis?
14

15 Former Treasurer: No.
16

17 Helen Eisner: Okay. Besides just employees who were volunteering or interns for the campaign,
18 were there any employees who had sort of a dual role where they were
19 compensated for part of their work and then had volunteer responsibilities for
20 another part of their work?
21

22 Former Treasurer: I do not know. I would have to always defer to the reports, whatever they show.
23

24 Helen Eisner: Okay. But, nothing comes to mind that would match that scenario?
25

26 Former Treasurer: No.
27

28 Helen Eisner: Okay. When you left the campaign, and we have talked about this a little bit, you
29 have explained some of the reasons that you ended up leaving.
30

31 Former Treasurer: And you are going to have to check the dates, but my recollection is I was out of
32 the campaign long before 2015, maybe it did not get filed or whatever, but I
33 would defer to whatever the records show.
34

1 Helen Eisner: Okay. What was your knowledge of the transition as far as hiring a new treasurer,
2 and, you know, what was going to become of that responsibility?
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4 Former Treasurer: I personally told John that I was retiring from the firm and I needed to step down
5 as treasurer and that was fine. There was no formal meeting. I think I mentioned
6 it to him incidentally.
7

8 Helen Eisner: I think you had said earlier that you had recommended someone, but it was your
9 understanding that that person did not take the position.
10

11 Former Treasurer: Right. No, that person would have taken the position; he was never asked to take
12 the position.
13

14 Helen Eisner: He was never asked. Okay.
15

16 Paul Solis: How do you know that?
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18 Former Treasurer: Because he told me he was never asked.
19

20 Paul Solis: And then, are you aware of who became treasurer after you?
21

22 Former Treasurer: No. I heard that Michael was temporarily doing it. Who is treasurer now?
23

24 Helen Eisner: Currently, it is Ms. Vickie, the name that I cannot pronounce.
25

26 Former Treasurer: Winpisinger.
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28 Helen Eisner: Yes, a name that I cannot pronounce, but yes. According to that FEC filings.
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30 Paul Solis: According to the filings, that name appears in the treasurer category, currently.
31

1 Helen Eisner: You mentioned that it was your understanding that Mr. Collins took on the role
2 temporarily.
3

4 Former Treasurer: Right.
5

6 Helen Eisner: How did you come to know that he took on that position?
7

8 Former Treasurer: I think Jeremy told me.
9

10 Helen Eisner: Okay. And was Jeremy still involved in the campaign at that period of
11 time . . .providing legal services?
12

13 Former Treasurer: When I stepped down as treasurer, actually, we had essentially had not done
14 anything for a long time. I would have to defer to what the records show. I just
15 do not recall.
16

17 Paul Solis: Is it safe to say that when you were no longer treasurer on the records and you
18 informed Congressman Lewis of this that McKenna Long was no longer
19 providing legal services to the campaign?
20

21 Former Treasurer: That is my best recollection.
22

23 Helen Eisner: Okay.
24

25 Former Treasurer: Now, someone might have called and asked us for something, but I did not get
26 that call. I just do not know.
27

28 Helen Eisner: What else do you know about sort of this process of bringing on Mr. Collins on a
29 temporary basis to become treasurer?
30

31 Former Treasurer: I just asked Jeremy and he told me that Michael was temporary treasurer.
32

33 Paul Solis: Did he say how he came to know that?

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2 Former Treasurer: It was public record. I have no idea; it is not exactly a big secret.

3

4 Helen Eisner: Besides the conversation with Jeremy, what other conversations did you have
5 from that point forward about Mr. Collins taking on the role as treasurer?

6

7 Former Treasurer: I do not recall any other.

8

9 Helen Eisner: As treasurer, how would Mr. Collins' responsibilities have changed from his prior
10 work for the campaign?

11

12 Former Treasurer: Well, he was the de facto treasurer anyway. I mean, let's face it.

13

14 Helen Eisner: Okay.

15

16 Paul Solis: And you are referring to the time that you were listed and characterized on the
17 treasurer on the records; you are saying that during that time he was de facto
18 treasurer?

19

20 Former Treasurer: Yeah. Essentially, here is what happened, in the beginning when things were ...
21 John had some problem and that is when I came in. We kind of straightened out
22 all the problems and then after those straightened out, we had a diminishing role.
23 And then the problem came up with Michael when, I do not recall the year, and
24 then we kind of re-involved a little bit and then we were phased out. I do not
25 recall the years. Again, I would have to defer to whatever the records show.

26

27 Helen Eisner: Any other conversations, maybe not as you said about Mr. Collins' role as
28 treasurer, but about concerns about the campaign committee from that point
29 forward that you have had since leaving the role as treasurer?

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31 Former Treasurer: No, because you know, like I said, I am essentially retired and I do not like to
32 deal with stuff like this.

33

34 Helen Eisner: Yeah. So, I think you have a pretty good sense of, kind of, the scope of what we
35 are looking into.

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2 Former Treasurer: Yeah.

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4 Helen Eisner: Is there anything else that you think we should know?

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6 Former Treasurer: I do not think so. It is essentially this. You have got a 75 year old guy who has
7 absolutely no interest in, and is totally out to lunch as far as the finances go. He
8 probably does not have any idea what his bank balance is or anywhere, and there
9 is a vacuum here that Michael has filled in. Michael is practically a son; he is
10 very dependent on Michael for keeping things going, you know, whatever. So,
11 we all know how nature forms a vacuum and Michael has gradually gotten more
12 and more and more into his life. He has essentially turned over the ... Mrs. Lewis,
13 when she was alive, she kept things straight. She counted the money; she signed
14 the checks and then, of course, this kind of spiraled since she died.

15

16 Helen Eisner: Okay. Do you have any other questions?

17

18 Paul Solis: I don't think so.

19

20 Former Treasurer: Jeremy is here at the firm if you ever need to talk with him and he could probably
21 provide you those details that you asked me. His name is Jeremy Berry. B-e-r-r-y.

22

23 Paul Solis: Okay.

24

25 Former Treasurer: Scott, who started off in it and then kind of pushed it down to Jeremy, his last
26 name is Scott Rafshoon. R-a-f-s-h-o-o-n. He will be glad to talk to you.

27

28 Helen Eisner: And, where is he currently?

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30 Former Treasurer: Here.

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32 Helen Eisner: Oh, he is still here. Okay. Have you communicated with anyone else about the
33 OCE's request to contact you or to speak with you or the OCE's investigation?

34

1 Former Treasurer: I told Jeremy that you all were coming by.
2
3 Helen Eisner: Okay.
4
5 Former Treasurer: And, I am going to tell Sharon because we have a rule; you are supposed to use a
6 subpoena to talk to, and that kind of thing you need to tell the managing partner,
7 so I will tell her.
8 Like I said, I did not waste any time worrying about this because I knew probably
9 why you were calling.
10
11 Helen Eisner: Sure. Great. I think those are all the questions we have. Thank you for your time.
12 We will stop recording.
13
14 Former Treasurer: Oh sure.
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ERRATA SHEET

Page	Line	Correction	Reason
11	1	NPR	obvious
14	5	disbursed	obvious
14	15	essentially, not converted	cor text
214	22	isnt far between a & year	context
		I noticed several very minor grammatical expressions I remember a little differently, but of no significance -	

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January 12, 2015

Honorable John Lewis
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The Equitable Building
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Re: John Lewis for Congress Committee

Dear Congressman Lewis:

Congratulations on embarking on another term in the United States House of Representatives. As I recall, this will be your 15th term. I was proud to be your colleague at the time of your election to Congress and have taken great pride in our friendship and in your many accomplishments.

As I discussed with you and Michael Collins recently, I am in the process of winding down my active law practice here at McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP. As a part of that effort, I believe this is an appropriate time for me to submit my resignation as the Treasurer of John Lewis for Congress Committee effective January 31, 2015.

Let me thank you again for giving me the honor of being the Treasurer of your campaign. I have stated before that I take great pride in our association and appreciate the honor to be of assistance to you in that capacity. Even though I will no longer be working as an active member of the campaign, I still am available to help and assist you and your staff in any way.

Again, thank you for your friendship and your contributions to the State of Georgia and the United States of America. I look forward to our continued association.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
George W. (Buddy) Darden

GWD/pr
cc: Michael Collins, Chief of Staff

EXHIBIT 5



MICHAEL EDWARD COLLINS



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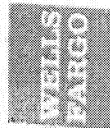
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Asset	Owner	Value of Asset	Income Type(s)	Income	Tx. > \$1,000?
Rental Property 1		\$100,001 - \$250,000	Rent	\$1,001 - \$2,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
LOCATION: Atlanta, GA, US					
Rental Property 2		\$100,001 - \$250,000	Rent	\$1,001 - \$2,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
LOCATION: Atlanta, GA, US					

SCHEDULE B: TRANSACTIONS

None disclosed.

SCHEDULE C: EARNED INCOME

Source	Type	Amount
John Lewis for Congress Campaign Committee	salary	\$27,495.00

SCHEDULE D: LIABILITIES

Owner	Creditor	Date Incurred	Type	Amount of Liability
	Wright Patman Federal Credit Union	2014	credit Card	\$15,001 - \$50,000
	Seterus	2007	Rental Property	\$100,001 - \$250,000
	GreenTree Mortgage	2006	Rental Property	\$100,001 - \$250,000

SCHEDULE E: POSITIONS

Position	Name of Organization
Board Member	Faith and Politics Institute

SCHEDULE F: AGREEMENTS

None disclosed.

SCHEDULE G: GIFTS

None disclosed.

SCHEDULE H: TRAVEL PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

None disclosed.

SCHEDULE I: PAYMENTS MADE TO CHARITY IN LIEU OF HONORARIA

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SCHEDULE B: TRANSACTIONS

None disclosed.

SCHEDULE C: EARNED INCOME

Source	Type	Amount
John Lewis for Congress Campaign Committee	Salary	\$26,955

SCHEDULE D: LIABILITIES

Owner	Creditor	Date Incurred	Type	Amount of Liability
	Wright Patman Congressional Federal Credit Union	2000	Credit Card	\$15,001 - \$50,000
	GreenTree Mortgage Company	2007	400 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA	\$100,001 - \$250,000
	bank of America	2007	400 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA	\$15,001 - \$50,000
	Seterus	2006	44 Peachtree Pl, Atlanta, GA	\$100,001 - \$250,000
	Volkswagon Credit	2013	Auto Loan	\$15,001 - \$50,000

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SCHEDULE C: EARNED INCOME

Source	Type	Amount
John Lewis for Congress	salary	\$26,500

SCHEDULE D: LIABILITIES

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SCHEDULE G: GIFTS

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SCHEDULE H: TRAVEL PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Source	Trip Details				Inclusions		
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