CANDIDATE'S REPORT

(to be filed by a candidate or his principal campaign committee)

1. Qualifying Name and Address of Candidate

Committee to ReElect
Judge James J. Best, 2002
14433 Waterloo Drive
Ventress, Louisiana 70760

2. Office Sought (include title of office as well as parish, city, town and/or election district.)

Judge, 18th Judicial Dist.
Division "A"
District 18
Subdistrict 4

OFFICE USE ONLY

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3. Date of Primary October 5, 2002

This report covers from January 1, 2002 through August 26, 2002

4. Type of Report:

____ 180th day prior to primary
____ 90th day prior to primary
X 30th day prior to primary
____ 10th day prior to primary
____ 10th day prior to general
____ 40th day after general
____ Annual (future election)
____ Supplemental (post election)
____ Amendment to prior report

5. FINAL REPORT if:

____ Withdrawn
X Unopposed
____ Filed after the election AND all loans and debts paid

2002 SEP -5 PM 4:00

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6. Name and Address of Financial Institution (You are required by law to use one or more banks, savings and loan associations, or money market mutual fund as the depository of all campaign funds.)

Guaranty Bank & Trust
175 New Roads Street
New Roads, LA 70760

7. Full Name and Address of Treasurer

John Wayne Jewell
1001 West Main Street
New Roads, LA 70760

Missing numbered pages were blank and had no information on them.

9. Name of Person Preparing Report Connie C. Jarreau

Daytime Telephone 225-638-5532

10. WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the information contained in this report and the attached schedules is true and correct to the best of our knowledge, information and belief, and that no expenditures have been made nor contributions received that have not been reported herein, and that no information required to be reported by the Louisiana Campaign Finance Disclosure Act has been deliberately omitted.

This 28th day of August, 2002.

Signature of Candidate/Chairperson
(To be signed by Chairperson only if report by principal campaign committee)

(225) 767-8333
Daytime Telephone

Signature of Treasurer

Daytime Telephone

8. FOR PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES ONLY
a. Name and address of principal campaign committee, committee's chairperson, and subsidiary committees, if any (use additional sheets if necessary).

John Wayne Jewell, Treasurer/ Chair
1001 West Main Street
New Roads, LA 70760

Frank Tomeny, Co-Chair
6709 Perkins Road
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

James P. Dore', Co-Chair
One American Place
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

SUMMARY PAGE

RECEIPTS	This Period
1. Contributions (Schedule A-1)	$ 250.00
2. In-kind Contributions (Schedule A-2)	-0-
3. Campaign paraphernalia sales of $25 *or less*	-0-
4. **TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS** (Lines 1 + 2 +3)	$ 250.00
5. Other Receipts (Schedule A-3)	-0-
6. Loans Received (Schedule B)	-0-
7. Loan Repayments Received (Schedule D)	-0-
8. **TOTAL RECEIPTS** (Lines 4 + 5 + 6 + 7)	$ 250.00

DISBURSEMENTS	This Period
9. Expenditures (Schedule E-1)	$ 4,742.19
10. Other Disbursements (Schedule E-2)	5.00
11. Loan Repayments Made (Schedule B)	-0-
12. Funds Loaned (Schedule D)	-0-
13. **TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS** (Lines 9 + 10 + 11 + 12)	$ 4,747.19

FINANCIAL SUMMARY	Amount
14. Funds on hand at beginning of reporting period (Must equal funds on hand at close from last report or -0- if first report for this election)	$27,297.30
15. *Plus* total receipts this period (Line 8 above)	250.00
16. *Less* total disbursements this period (Line 13 above)	4,747.19
17. *Less* In-kind contributions (Line 2 above)	-0-
18. Funds on hand at close of reporting period	$22,800.11

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INVESTMENTS	Amount
19. Of funds on hand at beginning of reporting period (Line 14, above), amount held in investments (*i.e.*, savings accounts, CD's, money market funds, etc.)	-0-
20. Of funds on hand at close of reporting period (Line 18, above), amount held in investments	-0-

SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS	This Period
21. Candidate's personal funds (Use of personal funds as either a contribution or loan to the campaign should be reported on Schedules A-1 or B. Personal funds reported as contributions may not later be repaid.)	-0-
22. Contributions received from political committees (From Schedules A-1 and A-2)	-0-
23. All proceeds from the sale of tickets to fundraising events (Receipts from the sale of tickets are contributions and must also be reported on Schedule A-1.)	-0-
24. Proceeds from the sale of campaign paraphernalia (Receipts from the sale of campaign paraphernalia are contributions and must also be reported on Schedule A-1 or Line 3, above.)	-0-
25. Expenditures from petty cash fund (Must also be reported on Schedule E-1.)	-0-

NOTICE

The personal use of campaign funds is prohibited.* The use of campaign funds must be related to a political campaign or the holding of a public office or party position. A candidate or a candidate's committee which owes outstanding fines or late fees may not expend campaign contributions until all such fines are paid. The Supervisory Committee may prohibit the use of campaign funds to pay fines or penalties for intentional or egregious violations of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act. Campaign funds may be used to reimburse a candidate for expenses related to his campaign or office, to pay taxes on the interest earned on campaign funds or to replace articles lost, stolen, or damaged in connection with a campaign.

Excess campaign funds may be returned to contributors on a pro rata basis, given as a charitable contribution as provided in 26 USC 170(c), given to a charitable organization as defined in 26 USC 501(c)(3), expended in support of or opposition to a proposition, political party, or candidacy of any person, or maintained in a segregated fund for use in future political campaigns or activity related to preparing for future candidacy to elective office.

*The prohibition on the personal use of campaign funds does not apply to campaign funds received prior to July 15, 1988.

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SCHEDULE A-1: CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than In-Kind Contributions)

The following information must be provided for all contributors to your campaign during this reporting period, except for in-kind contributions. Information on in-kind contributions is reported on SCHEDULE A-2: IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS. In Column 1, check if the contributor is a political committee or a party committee. Any personal funds a candidate contributes to his campaign must be reported on this schedule. Personal funds a candidate *loans* to his campaign should be reported on Schedule B. For anonymous contributions, see SCHEDULE F. Totals and subtotals are *optional*. Completion of totals and subtotals may assist in calculating totals that must be reported on the Summary Page.

1. Name and Address of Contributor	2. Contributions this Reporting Period a. Date(s)	b. Amount(s)	3. Total this Election
Randolph A. Piedrshita Kerri C. Piedrshita 12446 Beversham Avenue Baton Rouge, LA 70810 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? X PARTY COMMITTEE?	3/13/02	$250.00	$250.00
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4. SUBTOTAL (this page)		$250.00	N/A
5. TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)		$250.00	N/A

6. CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL COMMITTEES:
SUBTOTAL (this page) _____ TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule) _____

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SCHEDULE E-1: EXPENDITURES

Use this schedule to report information on all campaign expenditures for this reporting period. An "expenditure" is any payment made for the purpose of supporting your election to public office and includes monies spent for the campaign's general operating expenses. Any payments made that are not "expenditures" should be reported on SCHEDULE E-2: OTHER DISBURSEMENTS. Totals and subtotals at bottom of page are *optional*. Completion of totals and subtotals may assist in calculating totals that must be reported on the Summary Page.

1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Expenditures this Reporting Period a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
Pointe Coupee Banner Post Office Box 400 New Roads, LA 70760	1/8/02	Christmas Ad	$110.25
West Side Journal 668 N. Jefferson Post Office Box 260 Port Allen, LA 70767-0260	1/8/02	Christmas Ad	$ 78.75
Riverside Media Group, Inc. 570 N. Jefferson Avenue, Suite A Post Office Box 771 Port Allen, LA 70767	1/17/92	Christmas Ad	$ 55.00
Cactus Rose/Lucky Pierre's Rest. 1946 Hospital Road New Roads, LA 70760	1/22/02	Campaign Promotional Lunch	$ 58.45
Campaign Finanance 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Ste.200 Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7017	1/28/02	Statement of Organization, 2002	$100.00
Campaign Finance 8401 United Plaza Blvd., Ste. 200 Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7017	1/28/02	Statement of Organization, 2001	$100.00
Camille's Restaurant 12717 Highway 190 W Erwinville, LA 70729	2/9/02	Entertainment	$121.26
James J. Best 14433 Waterloo Drive Ventress, LA 70760	2/27/02	Campaign Promotional Lunch @ MaMama's Kitchen New Roads, LA	$101.20
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			$724.91
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			

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Family of Arlene Chutz 10060 Island Road Ventress, LA 70783	3/8/02	Donation (Cancer Victim) Benefit Jambalaya Dinner	$ 20.00
Connie C. Jarreau 403 North Carolina Avenue New Roads, LA 70760	3/8/02	Accounting & Secret. Services; Reimbursements 12/5/01-1/28/02	$409.39
Catholic High of Pointe Coupee 504 Fourth Street New Roads, LA 70760	12/14/02	Charitable donation	$100.00
Crossfire Tabernacle Maringouin, LA	4/22/02	Charitable Donation	$ 10.00
Langlois' Grocery 419 East Main Street New Roads, LA 70760	4/3/02	Promotional Entertnmt. Food & Beverage	$417.51
James J. Best 14433 Waterloo Drive Ventress, LA 70783	4/7/02	Reimbursement for Wedding Gifts @ Neysa's for: Bossier, Thibaut, Grezaffi & Bordelon weddings	$ 98.91
Harold Jarreau 59655 Highway 1148 Plaquemine, LA 70764	4/7/02	Charitable Donation Heart Surgery	$ 30.00
Sheila Smith Livonia, LA	4/21/02	Charitable Donation Crawfish Boil (For Cancer Victim)	$ 50.00
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			$1,135.81
4. TOTAL (optional) - complete only on last page of this schedule)			

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1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Expenditures this Reporting Period a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
James J. Best 14433 Waterloo Drive Ventress, LA 70783	3/24/02	Reimbursement, Campaign Entertainment MaMama's Kitchen New Roads, LA 70760	$305.33
Joe's Dreyfus Restaurant 2731 Maringouin Road Livonia, LA 70755	4/24/02	Campaign Entertainment	$160.41
MaMama's Kitchen 124 West Main Street New Roads, LA 70760	4/30/02	Campaign Entertainment	$206.29
American Cancer Society	5/15/02	Charitable Donation	$100.00
James J. Best 14433 Waterloo Drive Ventress, LA 70783	5/19/02	Reimbursement Langlois' Grocery, Food & Beverage ($95.00) Graduation Gifts: $25.00 cash each to	$295.00
		Corey Pourciau Caroline Burme Jolie Bordelon Danny Martin Daniel Gosserand Logan Smith, Trey Morgan, Joy Nelson	
Livonia Lion's Club Livonia, LA	5/19/02	Charitable Donation Cajun Angels Softball Team	$ 50.00
St. Mary's Baptist Church 9067 La. Highway 1 Lettsworth, LA	5/31/02	Charitable Donation	$ 50.00
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			$1,167.03
4. TOTAL (optional – complete only on last page of this schedule)			

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1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Expenditures this Reporting Period a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
Christ the King Church 15 Fraternity Lane Baton Rouge, LA	5/31/02	Charitable Donation	$200.00
Langlois' Grocery 419 East Main Street New Roads, LA 70760	6/1/02	Entertainment Food & Beverage	$ 91.37
Pointe Coupee Banner Post Office Box 400 New Roads, LA 70760	6/3/02	2002 Congratulations Graduation Ad	$110.25
James J. Best 14433 Waterloo Drive Ventress, LA 70783	7/15/02	Reimbursement Gino's Rest. ($59.60)-Entertainment Niland's Flowers ($37.99)- Pointe Coupee Kiwanis ($30.00)-Donation	$127.58
Jim's Place 7913 Park Street Ventress, LA 70783	7/23/02	Entertainment	$ 20.70
Pointe Coupee Sheriff's Office 201 East Main Street New Roads, LA 70760	7/24/02	Campaign Contribution Corn Boil	$150.00
Satterfield's Restaurant 110 East Main Street Ventress, LA 70783	8/9/02	Gift Certificates for: Weldon Jewell, John Guidroz, Peter Prevost, Ted Nelson & Roy Jarreau	$100.00
Langlois' Grocery 419 East Main Street New Roads, LA 70760	8/9/02	Entertainment Food & Beverage	$197.65
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			$997.55
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			

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1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Expenditures this Reporting Period a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
George's Cafe' 8905 Highland Baton Rouge, LA	8/14/02	Entertainment / Campaign Consultation with Roy Fletcher	$ 23.76
Region's Bank 107 East Main Street New Roads, LA 70760	8/20/02	Cashier's Check($5.00) Qualifying to P.C. Clerk's Off.($450.00)	$455.00
American Cancer Society c/o Marie D. Cashio Post Office Box 316 Fordoche, LA 70732 (Tax id#64-032-1009)	8/20/02	Charitable Donation	$ 50.00
James J. Best 14433 Waterloo Drive Ventress, LA 70783	8/26/02	Reimbursement: Entert. T.J. Rib's($42.93) Satterfields's($107.10) Tex Mex Rest.($38.10)	$188.13 Food & Beverage
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			$716.89
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			$4,742.19

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SCHEDULE E-2: OTHER DISBURSEMENTS

This schedule is used to report those disbursements that are not "expenditures"; that is, monies paid by the campaign that are not paid for the purpose of supporting, opposing or otherwise influencing the nomination or election of a candidate to public office. Examples include the payment of taxes or the refund of contributions. Disbursements should be reported on this schedule only if they have not been reported elsewhere in this report. The explanation of the disbursement should state the reason the payment was made by the campaign.

1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Date(s)	3. Explanation(s)	4. Amount(s)
Guaranty Bank & Trust New Roads, LA 70760	2/13/02	Copy of November, 2001 Statement	$5.00
5. Total OTHER DISBURSEMENTS during this reporting period			$5.00

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