CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT IN LIEU OF REPORT

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

Use ONLY if ALL of the following criteria are met: (1) candidate is running for a "major" or "district" office; (2) contributions from one source in excess of $200 have not been received for this election; (3) expenditures in excess of $5,000 have not been made for this election; and (4) an itemized (long) report has not been filed in connection with this election.

THIS AFFIDAVIT MUST BE SWORN BEFORE A NOTARY

Hand deliver or mail to: **CAMPAIGN FINANCE, 2415 Quail Drive, 3rd Floor, Baton Rouge, LA 70808**

1. Full Name and Address of Candidate
Melvin Jimmy Stephens
189 Hatcher Ln
Logansport, LA 71049

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

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3. Date of Primary October 4, 2003

This report covers from August 19, 2003 through August 25, 2003

4. Type of Report:

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

5. FINAL REPORT if: ____ Withdrawn X Unopposed

6. a. Name of Person Preparing Report Melvin Jimmy Stephens

b. Daytime Telephone (318) 872-3610

7. I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, after being duly sworn, that, with respect to the election described above, I (the Committee) have (has) not received contributions form one source in excess of $200 and have (has) not made expenditures totaling in excess of $5,000 in the aggregate from the time of becoming a candidate (initial participation in this election) through the close of the current reporting period.

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

(318) 872-3610
Daytime Telephone

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of August

at Mansfield (City) Louisiana (State)

Jimmy C. Brook
NOTARY PUBLIC

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).

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