

Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return

E-521

The Election Act, 1996 Section 250 Revised: Feb 2024

AS REVIEWED





Saskatchewan Green Party

Name of Registered Political Party

2023

For Fiscal Year Ending

On Behalf of

Saskatchewan Green Party

Name of Registered Political Party

Return

I, Nancy Carswell

Name

of Shellbrook, Saskatchewan

City, Province

in the Province of Saskatchewan, being the chief official agent of the above-named registered political party, make the following Return respecting the fiscal period of the party which commenced on the 1 day of January, 2023, and which ended on the 31 day of December, 2023.

Signature of Chief Official Agent

Nancy Carswell

30-Apr-2024

Date



To the Chief Official Agent for the Saskatchewan Green Party for submission to the Chief Electoral Officer of Saskatchewan in accordance with section 250(4) of *The Election Act*, 1996

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying Registered Political Party's Fiscal Period Return [the "Return"] of the **Saskatchewan Green Party**, which comprises the summary of Contributions – Part I and the summary of Expenditures – Part II for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2023.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the Return for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2023 is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of section 250 of The Election Act, 1996 and the accounting guidelines and prescribed form issued by Elections Saskatchewan.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Due to the inherent nature of the transactions of registered political parties, the completeness of contributions and other revenue and expenses is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these amounts was limited to the amounts recorded in the registered political party's accounting records and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to contributions and other revenue and expenses. The previous year's audit opinion on the Return for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2022 was also modified accordingly because of similar possible effects of this same limitation of scope.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Return* section of our report. We are independent of the Party in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Return in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Use

The Return is prepared to assist the chief official agent of the registered political party to meet the requirements of *The Election Act, 1996.* As a result, the Return may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the chief official agent and the chief electoral officer and should not be used by other parties. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Emphasis of Matter

Further we report the amounts shown in the Return set out in Part I Contributions are \$17,021 and Part II Expenditures are \$9,869.

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Chief Official Agent for the Saskatchewan Green Party (continued)

Responsibilities of The Chief Official Agent and Those Charged with Governance for the Return
The chief official agent is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the
Return in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of section 250 of The Election Act,
1996 and the accounting guidelines and prescribed form issued by Elections Saskatchewan,
and for such internal control as the chief official agent determines is necessary to enable the
preparation of a Return that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the chief official agent is responsible for assessing the Party's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the chief official agent either intends to liquidate the Party or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Party's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Return

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Return as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this Return. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of
 expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Party's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Chief Official Agent for the Saskatchewan Green Party (continued)

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of
 accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty
 exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Party's ability
 to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are
 required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial
 statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our
 conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors'
 report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Party to cease to continue
 as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the Return, including disclosures, and whether the Return represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by section 237(4) of *The Election Act, 1996*, in our opinion, the Return presents the information contained in the financial records on which it is based.

Dudles + Company
Dudley & Company LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Regina, Saskatchewan April 23, 2024

Contributions

(a) Summary of Contributions

I. Value of Contributions

List below, by class of contributor, the aggregate amounts of (A) contributions in excess of \$250.00, (B) contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00, and (C) contributions of \$25.00 or less, and the number of contributors of each class who, in the fiscal period, have provided money, goods or services for the use of the registered political party by way of a gift, loan, advance, deposit, or other form of assistance (includes goods or services donated or provided at other than their true value).

	Number of	Value of
Class of Contributor	Contributors	Contributions
1. Individuals	100	\$ 1 7,929.89 17,045.89
2. Corporations	0	\$ 0.00
3. Trade Unions	0	\$ 0.00
Unincorporated Organizations or Associations	0	\$ 0.00
5. Any other Persons or Groups of Persons	0	\$ 0.00
6. Proceeds from Other Sources		\$ 0.00
Total	100	\$ 17,020.80 17,045.89

Note: Amounts received in respect of membership fees or dues are deemed to be contributions (s. 250(5)).

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Contributions

(b) Detail of Contributions

Contributions include money provided to or on behalf of the registered political party without compensation from the registered political party and includes donations in kind and membership fees or dues paid to the registered political party.

Details of the name of and total amount received from each contributor included in classes 1 to 5 in Part (a) who have provided money, goods or services by way of a gift, loan, advance, deposit or other form of assistance must be reported in the aggregate by classification in the appropriate schedule. Such contributions are to be identified in one of three categories: (A) contributions in excess of \$250.00, (B) contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00, and (C) contributions of \$25.00 or less. The sum of the categories should reflect the total contributions received, in the fiscal period, for the use of the registered political party in each classification schedule.

Where a corporation, trust fund or constituency association makes a contribution, pursuant to subsection 240(6) of *The Election Act, 1996*, each such contribution must be accompanied by a statement which sets out the name of the person who authorized the contribution on behalf of the corporation, trust fund or constituency association, and the name of and the amount contributed by each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250.00 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the corporation, trust fund or constituency association.

Where a registered party makes a contribution, pursuant to subsection 240(7) of *The Election Act, 1996*, each such contribution must be accompanied by a statement which sets out the name of and the amount contributed by each person who made a contribution in excess of \$250.00 in a year and whose contribution was used to make up the funds contributed by the registered party.

A true and correct copy, certified by the Chief Official Agent, for each such statement of contribution received pursuant to subsections 240(6) and (7), must be affixed to this Return (s. 250).

Revenue received by a registered political party, during the fiscal period, from fund-raising activities, meetings and sales of material of a promotional nature are deemed contributions. The total net proceeds from each source indicated must be recorded and, in the aggregate, reported in this Return.

The value of donations in kind must be recorded and included as a contribution received by the chief official agent where claimed as an election expense. Accordingly, commercial value is an election expense and a contribution concurrently.

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Schedule: 1. Individuals

Blom, Rene

Bray, Michael

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeds \$250.00.

Name of Contributor

Total Number of Contributors Total Contributions (Sum of Categories (A), (B), and (C))		100	- \$_	17,020.89
Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions		69	\$_	975.00
Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received duperiod, from any other person or group of persons of \$25.00 or less. Number of Contributors	uring the fisc			
(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less				
Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions			\$_	2,010.00
period, from any other person or group of persons, of \$250.00 or less but more the Number of Contributors	han \$25.00.	.ai 18		
(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00 Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received du	uring the fied	^ 2l		
			· -	14,060.89
Number of Contributors Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions		13	- \$	14,005.0 9
Zavislak, Dale	\$	400	.00	
Weingeist, Karen	\$	500		
Walther, David		50.00 325		
Tymchatyn, Edward	\$	700	.00	
Silvester, Paul	\$	300		
Mitchell, Lois	\$	300		
McDonald, Gregory Mergel, Judy	<u> </u>	300		
Greenfield, David	\$	1,020 1,800		
Dewar, Dale	\$	360		
Carswell, Nancy	\$	610		

17,045.89

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Amount

400.00

7,020.00

\$

\$

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Schedule: 2. Corporations

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeds \$250.00.

	Name of Contributor	Amount		
	Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions		_ \$	0.00
(B)	Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00			
Note:	Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received du period, from any other person or group of persons, of \$250.00 or less but more than			
	Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions		_ \$	0.00
(C)	Contributions of \$25.00 or less			
Note:	Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received du period, from any other person or group of persons of \$25.00 or less.	ring the fiscal		
	Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions		_ \$_	0.00
	Total Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Contributions (Sum of Categories (A), (B), and (C))		- \$	0.00

Schedule: 3. Trade Unions

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeds \$250.00.

Name of Contributor	Amount	
Number of Contributors	0	
Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions		\$ 0.00
(B) Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00		
Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received period, from any other person or group of persons, of \$250.00 or less but more		
Number of Contributors	0	
Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions		\$ 0.00
(C) Contributions of \$25.00 or less		
Note: Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received period, from any other person or group of persons of \$25.00 or less.	during the fiscal	
Number of Contributors	0	
Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions		\$ 0.00
Total Number of Contributors	0	
Total Contributions (Sum of Categories (A), (B), and (C))		\$ 0.00

Schedule: 4. Unincorporated Organizations or Associations

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeds \$250.00.

	Name of Contributor	Amount		
	Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions		\$	0.00
(B) Co	ontributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00			
	port the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received duriod, from any other person or group of persons, of \$250.00 or less but more the			
	Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions		 \$	0.00
(C) Co	ontributions of \$25.00 or less			
	port the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received duriod, from any other person or group of persons of \$25.00 or less.	uring the fiscal		
	Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions		 \$	0.00
	Total Number of Contributors	0		
	Total Contributions (Sum of Categories (A), (B), and (C))		- \$	0.00

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Schedule: 5. Any Other Persons or Groups of Persons

(A) Contributions in excess of \$250.00

Note: List below all contributions where during the fiscal period the aggregate value of contributions exceeds \$250.00.

	Name of Contributor Amou		nt		
	Number of Contributors		0		
	Total Amount of all Category (A) Contributions			- \$	0.00
(B)	Contributions of \$250.00 or less but more than \$25.00				
Note:	Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received durperiod, from any other person or group of persons, of \$250.00 or less but more that				
	Number of Contributors		0		
	Total Amount of all Category (B) Contributions	_		- \$	0.00
(C)	Contributions of \$25.00 or less				
Note:	Report the number of contributors and the total value of contributions received durperiod, from any other person or group of persons of \$25.00 or less.	ing the fiscal			
	Number of Contributors		0		
	Total Amount of all Category (C) Contributions			- \$	0.00
	Total Number of Contributors		0		
	Total Contributions (Sum of Categories (A), (B), and (C))			- \$	0.00

Contributions

(c) Proceeds from Other Sources - Summary

Set out below the aggregate value of net proceeds received by the registered political party during the fiscal period from the sources as indicated.

Source	А	mount
 Sales of tickets to or monies paid to each dinner, rally, public meeting and other fund-raising function. 	\$	0.00
2. Collections made at events mentioned in item 1 above or other events.	\$	0.00
 Sales of pins, buttons, flags, emblems, hats, banners, literature and other materials. 	\$	0.00
Total	\$	0.00

Other Revenue

(a) Income from Other Sources

Set out below the total value of income received by the registered political party during the fiscal period from the sources as indicated.

Source		Amount
1. Election Expenses / Auditor Reimbursement(s)	\$	2,729.00
2. Candidates' Excess Contributions	\$	0.00
3. Interest / Investment Income	\$	0.98
4. Other (Details Below)		
Total	\$	2,729.98

(b) Cash on Hand

Set out the amount of money, securities or the equivalent of money that the registered political party had on hand at the end of the fiscal period.

\$ 25,650.59

Expenditures

(a) Operating Expenditures

Set out below the total operating expenses of the registered political party during the fiscal period.

Note: Omit election expenses incurred which related to an election held during the fiscal period.

Note.	Operating Expenses	Amount
1.	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	\$ 0.00
2.	Travelling Expenses	\$ 421.23
3.	Conventions and Meetings	\$ 937.86
4.	Rental (Premises, Equipment and Utilities)	\$ 0.00
5.	Advertising (Particulars to be set out in Part II (b))	\$ 0.00
6.	Other Advertising (not subject to subsection 243(4))	\$ 0.00
7.	Printing, Stationery and Supplies	\$ 204.40
8.	Postage	\$ 402.78
9.	Legal and Audit Fees	\$ 4,440.00
10.	Interest	\$ 0.00
11.	Taxes (Property)	\$ 0.00

 12. Other (Provide Details) Loan repayment Zoom, NationBuilder, Hostpapa Service charges 	\$ \$ \$	600.00 1,444.75 390.01
Total	\$	8,841.03

Expenditures

Set out below the particulars of expenditures on advertising of the registered political party during the fiscal period.

(b) Advertising Expenditures

Note:

Subsection 243(4) limits the amount of money a registered party can spend during the fiscal period on advertising. This limit does not apply to election expenses which may be lawfully incurred by a registered political party.

Vendor	Broadcaster / Publisher	Start Date	End Date	Amount
			Total	\$

Expenditures

(c) All Other Expenditures

Set out below any transfer of monies or other expenses incurred by the registered political party during the fiscal period.

	Other Expenditures	А	mount
1.	Transfer to Provincial Constituencies and Candidates	\$	0.00
2.	Transfer to Federal Electoral Districts	\$	0.00
3.	Transfer to Registered Party	\$	0.00
	Total	\$	0.00



Declaration of a Chief Official Agent of a Registered Political Party

I, Nancy Carswell
Name
of Shellbrook, Saskatchewan
City, Province
Chief Official Agent of Saskatchewan Green Party
a registered political party, solemnly declare that I have examined the Fiscal Period Return, along with any attached certified statements, to be transmitted to the Chief Electoral Officer and now shown to me by the officer before whom this declaration is made, and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that Return and any attached certified statements are correct;
and I further solemnly declare that, except as specified in the Return, no money, security, or equivalent for money has been paid, advanced, given or deposited by anyone to me or, to the best of my knowledge and belief, to any other person for the purpose of defraying any expenses incurred on behalf of the registered political party or for promoting its aims;
and I further solemnly declare that, except as appears from that Return, I have not, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no person, club, society, company or association has, on behalf of the registered political party, made any payment or incurred any liability on account of or with respect to the conduct or management of the affairs of the registered political party;
and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act .
Nancy Carswell Signature of Chief Official Agent
Signature of Chief Official Agent
Signed and declared before me by the above-named Chief Official Agent at
Province of Saskatchewan, on the Day day of Month, Year
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A Commission expires on the 31 day of 701 and 1025