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Special U.S. Labor Party Campaign Report

# Institute's McCarthy Campaign Runs Interference For Carter

## *National Fraud Machine Exposed*

Sept. 5 (NSIPS) — Investigations by the U.S. Labor Party into the campaign operations of so-called third party candidate Eugene McCarthy have established that the national McCarthy for President Campaign is run jointly with the presidential drives of the Justice Department-controlled Socialist Workers Party and Communist Party USA left countergangs out of Marcus Raskin's Institute for Policy Studies. With little campaign machinery or support outside the Institute's Washington, D.C. headquarters, these electoral countergangs have resorted to forgery, spurious court battles and day-at-a-time drafts of lumpens at or near minimum wages to gather the independent nominating signatures required by most states for ballot status.

In Washington, D.C., where the Labor Party this week submitted independently corroborated evidence to the Board of Elections that the McCarthy campaign had forged dozens of its petition signatures, McCarthyite lawyers plan to use Institute publications libeling the USLP, and a bid for summary ballot status on the basis of McCarthy's "national recognition" to defend the candidate. The Labor Party has successfully challenged the CPUSA's petitions in Michigan for extraordinary irregularities, including forgers, and, although met with a Board of Elections coverup, submitted affidavits from individuals in New Jersey stating that their names had been forged on the nominating petitions of both the SWP and the CPUSA in that state.

These groupings are not, as McCarthy's disruptive challenge of the Federal Election Commission ruling permitting televised debated between Jimmy Carter and President Ford claims, several of the "90 or more" legitimate third parties in the USA. They are no more than Institute wrecking operations for Jimmy Carter against Ford and the country's third major party, the USLP

The Labor Party's LaRouche-Evans slate has been certified on the ballot in 14 states, and will complete petition and convention requirements for certification in 24 states by Sept. 26. The LaRouche for President, Wayne Evans for Vice President ticket will appear before voters in states comprising 57 per cent of the electoral college in November. To date, over 300,000 registered voters have signed USLP nominating petitions, by far the largest number of signatures to be legally collected and submitted to boards of election for review in the history of the U.S.

### McCarthy's Election Wreckers

Preliminary USLP investigation indicates that although McCarthy announced his campaign two years ago, the so-called independent McCarthy never legally prepared to gain national ballot status with constitutional challenges to the many state election laws restricting independent campaigns. Instead, McCarthy disregarded ballot access laws in many states, began petitioning for thousands of required nominating signatures as late as days before the filing deadline, and then screamed "unconstitutional" and challenged state laws when he was refused ballot status. This has happened in at least Maryland, Alabama, Indiana, California and five other states.

Because of the lack of any support for his campaign, McCarthy has been reduced to advertising for petitioners and hiring temporary agency help at anywhere from \$2.50 per hour in Missouri to \$4.00 per hour in Illinois. In Massachusetts, Illinois, Indiana, Connecticut, and Virginia, McCarthy's "hired help" petitioned only a few days before the deadline to file petitions, yet he filed thousands and thousands of signatures in those states.

A convention of 1,000 supporters is required for ballot status in Oregon. McCarthy's first try at gathering 1,000 supporters in one room was a dismal failure. His second attempt failed as well, until McCarthy workers were deployed into neighborhood bars to drag people into the convention hall. McCarthy was awarded ballot status in Oregon despite the tremendous opposition of many of the state's registered voters.

McCarthy's national headquarters in Washington, D.C. claims that their man will win ballot status in 45 states on the basis of such antics. McCarthy was booted off the Maryland ballot for insufficient signatures last month, and Labor Party calculations show that he will achieve spots in barely 20 states, barring widespread petition fraud. Since the conditions for fraud against the Labor Party will be set with the presence of bogus McCarthy on the ballot, the USLP has prepared a list of states where prima facie grounds exist to throw McCarthy off the ballot if he attempts to file.

### Forgery in Washington, D.C.

The case of the McCarthy campaign in Washington, D.C. where the candidate is expected to be barred from the ballot in a Sept. 7 hearing on forgery charges before the city's Board of Elections, is typical of the widespread fraud riddling McCarthy's national operation. According to the McCarthy

Campaign's Washington press secretary the candidate is not maintaining a serious bid for the White House but is "out to wreck the two party system."

On Aug. 27, the USLP challenged the nominating signatures gathered by the McCarthy campaign in Washington, D.C. detailing for that city's Board of Elections 127 instances of forgery of names apparently taken from old vote registration lists published by the League of Women Voters. The forgeries included the name of a woman who died in 1973, names of persons allegedly living in abandoned buildings, and names of persons who have submitted affidavits to the board denying that they signed the McCarthy petition.

A lead article in the Sept. 1 edition of the Washington Post corroborated Labor Party charges with an independent investigative report, complete with a prominent photograph of an abandoned building listed as the home of a signatory, and several of the obviously forged signatures displayed next to the legitimate signatures of the voters obtained at the Board of Elections. The Sept. 1 Washington Star also reported USLP charges against the McCarthy campaign.

At a preliminary hearing on the challenge Sept. 1, the general counsel for the Board of Elections ordered the staff of the McCarthy Campaign to prepare an item-by-item defense of the validity of the nominating signatures challenged by the USLP. The decision followed the refusal of Anton Wood, the head of McCarthy's Washington D.C. staff, to cooperate with a Board order for a joint USLP-McCarthy campaign review of the nominating petitions. Wood was accompanied at the hearings by John Armour, the national legal coordinator of the McCarthy for President Campaign and the Maryland attorney for Grenville Whitman, the Institute for Policy Studies-linked pioneer of citywide methadone addiction operations in Baltimore who is suing the Labor Party for libel.

The Labor Party's national legal staff yesterday learned that the McCarthy Campaign's pre-hearing statements filed with the Board of Elections completely ignore board orders for

examination of the forgery charge. Instead, having committed a felony, McCarthyites plan to argue that the USLP had "dishonorable motives" for reporting it, and demand that McCarthy be put on the D.C. ballot because he is a nationally known figure. They plan to introduce 28 witnesses, including USLP officials, and to present as documentary evidence of the Labor Party's bad intentions leaflets handed out by the USLP over the past 18 months, including those attacking methadone pusher Whitman. Another document listed to prove the dishonorable intentions of the Labor Party is the pamphlet, "NCLC: Brownshirts of the 70s," a publication of the Institute for Policy Studies terrorist drug-runners. The Sept. 7 hearings are rapidly shaping up as a battle between the USLP's legitimate Presidential bid, and the admittedly drug-running and terrorism-connected Institute operation against the November elections fronted for by Eugene McCarthy.

This week, the McCarthy campaign publicly joined forces with its SWP and CPUSA counterparts to wreck the Ford-Carter TV debates with a challenge against the Federal Election Commission ruling in permitting the debates. According to Simon Gerson, national chairman of the CP's Gus Hall for President drive, the countergang conglomerate has been working together on ballot status bids and other legal strategies for some time. "Yes, we coordinate," Gerson told an interviewer last week, "there is an exchange of information between attorneys for the Communist Party and the McCarthy people, after all the ACLU is supporting both of us."

In fact, lack of voter support for these operations is so nearly unanimous that none of them could survive without direct help from the others. In Indiana for example, both the McCarthyites and the CPUSA were denied ballot status this week on the grounds that they were unable to collect sufficient nominating signatures. The SWP, which was awarded ballot status, is not working with the McCarthy campaign and the Communists to overturn state election law in court. In California, McCarthy and the CPUSA are trailing the SWP in a court battle claiming "summary ballot status" because the state does not have the manpower to review the countergangs' fraudulent petitions.

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