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SETH WILLIAMS FILES YEAR-END CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT

Candidate Almost Matches 2005 Fundraising

PHILADELPHIA: Seth Williams today announced that he raised \$138,264.24 for his campaign to become Philadelphia's next District Attorney in 2008, an amount comparable to the amount he raised in the entirety of his 2005 campaign. After paying expenses, including some of the debt remaining from his previous campaign, Williams had \$79,509.37 cash-on-hand at the end of the year. Williams strong fundraising has continued in January.

"I am pleased at the strong support I have received so far, whether it is from donors, political and community leaders, or the public," said Seth today. "We are on track to raise the funds we need to run a winning campaign. I look forward to continuing to campaign across the city and detailing my vision for making Philadelphia a safer city in which to live, work and raise a family."

In 2008, Seth raised \$138,264.24 from 375 donors. His average contribution was \$347.00. Adding in the funds he had at the beginning of the year, Seth had \$140,667.57 and spent \$61,158.20, leaving him with \$79,509.37. At the end of the year, his campaign also had \$10,087.63 in outstanding debt.

To date, over 500 donors have contributed to Seth's campaign. At least 125 of those donors contributed to Seth for the first time since January 1, 2008. Of the nearly \$140,000 Seth raised this year, \$131,514.24 came from individual donors, with PAC contributions accounting for just \$6,750. As an example of his grassroots support, 258 of Seth's donors gave less than \$250.

Earlier this month, Seth received the endorsement of 11 state Representatives and Senators at an event in City Hall, including State Senator Shirley M. Kitchen, State Senator Anthony H. Williams, State Representative Mark B. Cohen, State Representative Angel Cruz, State Representative Frank L. Oliver, State Representative Ronald G. Waters, State Representative Rosita C. Youngblood, State Representative Cherelle L. Parker, State Representative Tony

J. Payton, Jr., State Representative Kenyatta Johnson and State Representative Vanessa Brown.

In December, Seth received the backing of more than a dozen former Assistant District Attorneys, each of whom expressed their confidence that he is the only candidate for District Attorney who can partner with the police and the court system to fundamentally change how our city fights crime and protects the public.

Seth Williams, the City's former Inspector General, has 10 years of experience as a top prosecutor and supervisor in Philadelphia's District Attorney's Office. For more information, please visit his campaign website at www.votesethwilliams.com.

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