

# Jane Tolmach for Assembly

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## 36th District

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### Tolmach Substantiates Charges on Opponent's Finances

Assembly candidate Jane Tolmach today reiterated and substantiated her charge that approximately 75% of her Republican opponent's campaign contributions come from special interest sources outside of Ventura County. Her opponent, Charles Imbrecht held a press conference Monday at which he denied the truth of this charge claiming that such out of County contributions represented not more than 36% of his total contributions.

In repeating the charge Mrs. Tolmach said, "using his claim that his total contributions amount to \$25,922 and the fact that his latest campaign statement shows a total of \$17,802 contributed by financial and political interests outside of Ventura County, one arrives at a percentage figure of 68%. During his press conference, Mr. Imbrecht seems to have neglected to figure into his totals a forgiven \$3,000 loan from a Los Angeles investor and over \$5,000 worth of non-monetary services from the Republican State Central Committee. However, according to California law, these represent real financial contributions to a political campaign and must be reported as income. This figure of 68% is much closer to my original charge than the 36% which my opponent has tried to claim."

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"I don't believe that it is important to get involved in a dispute about bookkeeping practices or to quibble about a few percentage points. What is important is that the bulk of my opponent's campaign contributions (at least 68% using his own figures) come from special interest groups outside of this County. One of the largest of these contributors, United for California, is a front for a host of special interest lobbyists who wish not to reveal their identities. I submit that my opponent has a moral responsibility to explain to the voters of this county exactly who makes up United for California and to explain what kinds of deals have been made with all these contributors in return for their support. This is the meaning of political honesty and accountability," Mrs. Tolmach added.

She went on to list the out-of-County contributors which make up the \$17,802 figure.

Building Industry Century Committee, San Marino.....	\$ 200
Cal. Auto Dealers Political Action, Cupertino.....	1,000
Board of Realtors Political Action, Los Angeles.....	1,000
John Edward Jergens, Los Angeles Investor.....	3,000
CAN Political Action, Los Angeles.....	200
Western Growers Political Action, Newport Beach.....	1,000
Cal. Real Estate Political Action, Los Angeles.....	1,000
Del Monte Corp., San Francisco.....	400
Henry Salvatori, Los Angeles Oil Executive.....	500
Calif. General Management, Inc., Los Angeles.....	1,000
Republican State Central Committee, Sacramento.....	5,050
United for California, La Canada.....	3,452
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Mrs. Tolmach also said that her opponent's claim that most of his contributions are, "small ones made by Ventura County citizens," is not based in fact. "The statements on campaign finances required by the Political Reform Act contain a dividing line between large and small contributions. That line is \$50. Comparing information obtained from each of the four campaign statements filed since January 1976, one finds that only 7% of Mr. Imbrecht's contributions come in amounts less than \$50, while 42% of my contributions are in those amounts. Therefore, a full 93% of my opponents contributions come from individuals and committees who have contributed over \$50. I think these figures, which are open to inspection to any interested person at the County Clerks office, finally puts to rest my opponents claim that the bulk of his contributors are small, local residents."

Mrs. Tolmach also responded to her opponents charges concerning her financial interests by saying, " My husband and I have invested in the stock market through the years, as have millions of other Americans, and our broker had had our power of attorney to buy and sell depending on the market. However, in order to most effectively represent the citizens of this district, I intend to divest myself of any stock holdings which might cause a conflict of interest with my legislative duties, upon taking office in Sacramento."