

Shaping The Future: IRC Candidate Workshop 2022

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2022 Elections

Primary Election: Aug. 23, 2022 Book Closing: July 25, 2022

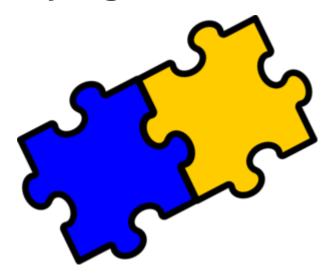
General Election: Nov. 8, 2022 Book Closing: Oct. 11, 2022



Becoming a Candidate

Becoming a candidate is a two-part process:

- **√**Filing for office
- **✓** Qualifying for office





Becoming a Candidate

Two forms are required to become a candidate:

DS-DE 9: Appointment of Campaign Treasurer Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates

DS-DE 84: Statement of Candidate



FILING FOR OFFICE





Filing Officer: SOE

The SOE is the local filing officer

Exception: Municipal candidates







IRC Candidate Requirements

Prior to submitting the DS-DE 9 form, IRC candidates must be:

- Registered voter in IRC
- Legal resident of the district they are representing when assuming office

Exception: School Board and write-in candidates must be legal residents of their district at qualifying



DS-DE 9 Form:

Appointment of Campaign Treasurer Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates

Candidates must:

- Designate a primary campaign depository
- Appoint a treasurer and/or deputy treasurer(s)
- File with the SOE office <u>prior</u> to opening a bank account (Banks require a clocked-in copy of the form)



Prior to Submission of DS-DE 9

DO NOT:

Accept contributions

Make expenditures

Accept signed petitions

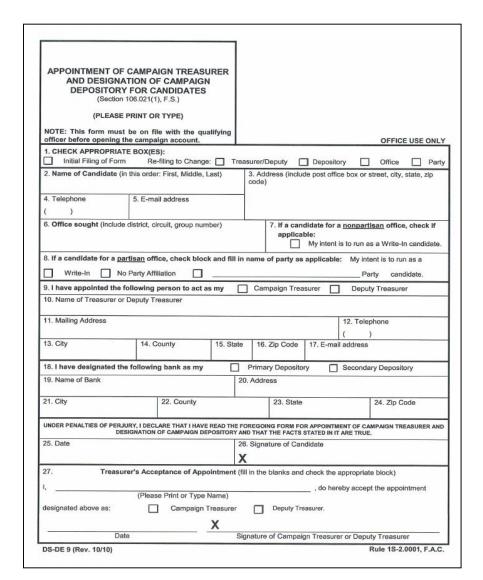
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Who signs the DS-DE 9?

- Candidate
- Campaign Treasurer
- Deputy Treasurer(s)





Filling Out the DS-DE 9

- Form must be signed and dated by the candidate and treasurers (no more than 3 deputy treasurers)
- Depository must be a Florida authorized bank, savings & loan, or credit union
- May open a separate interest-bearing account





What if my treasurer resigns?



Resignation or removal of a treasurer and/or deputy treasurer:

- Must be in writing
- Not effective until filed with the SOE



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DS-DE 84 FormStatement of Candidate

OFFICE USE ONLY

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE

(Section 106.023, F.S.)
(Please print or type)

have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of

Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

candidate for the office of

X Signature of Candidate Date

Each candidate must file a statement with the qualifying officer within 10 days after the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful failure to file this form is a first degree misdemeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign Financing Act which may result in a fine of up to \$1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida Statutes).

DS-DE 84 (05/11)



Statement of Candidate, Form DS-DE 84

This statement acknowledges that the candidate has been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, F.S. (campaign finance)

Must be filed with the supervisor of elections(SOE) within 10 days of filing DS-DE 9

-Although the DS-DE84 is not a requirement for qualifying, failure to file the form within 10 days is a violation subject to referral to the Florida Elections Commission.



QUALIFYING FOR OFFICE





3 Ways to Qualify as a Candidate

Pay a qualifying fee

Petition process

Write-in candidate





Qualifying Officer: SOE

- Responsibility is ministerial in nature only
- Examines the face of qualifying papers
- Reviews documents to determine they are properly completed
- May not determine whether contents of papers are accurate
- Accepts documents if in proper order



April Pre-Qualifying & Qualifying Weeks

Offices that qualify with the Florida Division of **Elections:**

- **US Senator**
- **US** Representative
- State Attorney Public Defender
- **Judicial candidates (except County Court Judges)**

Office that qualifies with IRC SOE:
County Court Judges

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Pre-qualifying: April 11 through April 22, 2022

Qualifying: Noon, April 25 through Noon, April 29, 2022

June Pre-Qualifying & Qualifying Weeks

Offices that Qualify with the Florida Division of Elections:

- Statewide
- Multi-County candidates (Sebastian Inlet Taxing District)

Offices that Qualify with IRC SOE:

- Constitutional Ófficers
- County Commissioners
- School Board
- IRC Hospital District
- IRC Soil & Water Management
- IRC Mosquito Control

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Pre-qualifying: May 31 through June 10, 2022

Qualifying: Noon, June 13 through Noon, June 17, 2022



Laws that may affect candidates

Resign to Run

Affects a current officer who is seeking another public office if both terms overlap, officer must resign from current office

seek DOE opinion





Federal Hatch Act

Restricts political activity if the employee's entire salary is completely funded from federal dollars

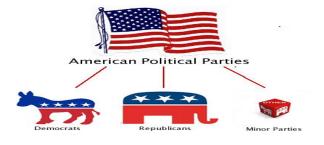
Employee is precluded from being a candidate for public office in a partisan race

seek DOE opinion





Political Party Candidates



May not have been a registered member of any **other** political party for:

365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which the person seeks to qualify



No Party Affiliation

May not have been a registered member of **any** political party for:

365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which the person seeks to qualify



Qualifying Fees

Based on salary of office sought as of preceding July 1st

Partisan candidates: 6%

Non-partisan candidates: 4%



Exception: Fee is \$25 for special district candidates

How do I pay fees?

Campaign check signed by the campaign treasurer or deputy treasurer

Candidates may sign the check
if they are a treasurer or deputy treasurer

Not acceptable: Cashiers check, personal check or money order

Exception: Personal check is OK for special district candidates



Returned fees

Fees are returned if the candidate:

- Withdraws prior to last date to qualify
- Deceases prior to the last date to qualify, then the candidate's beneficiary is entitled to the fee
- Fails to qualify





Petition Process

- No qualifying fee
- 1,246 valid petitions (Based on 1% of active voters in the 2020 general election)
- **Submit petitions to:**

Local candidates: IRC SOE office



Multi-county candidates: County where voter is registered

Candidate is responsible for submitting petitions to the correct county



Petition Verification Fees

Fee is 10 cents per petition



Fee can be paid by:
 Campaign check
 Petty cash
 Third party, reimbursed by campaign

- Candidate is responsible for providing an accurate count
- Payment is required when submitting petitions
- All petitions submitted to SOE are verified



Petition Due Date

Deadlines for submitting petitions for verification:

- ✓ April qualifying: Noon, March 28, 2022
- ✓ June qualifying: Noon, May 16, 2022





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Petitions: Form DS-DE 104

Petitions must contain:

Name of candidate

Party designation



 Office, including district, circuit, group or seat number, if applicable



Petition Requirements

Valid petitions must be signed by <u>registered</u> voters and include:

Requirements

- ✓ Name
- ✓ Date of birth or voter registration number
- ✓ Address, including city and county
- ✓ Signature and date signed



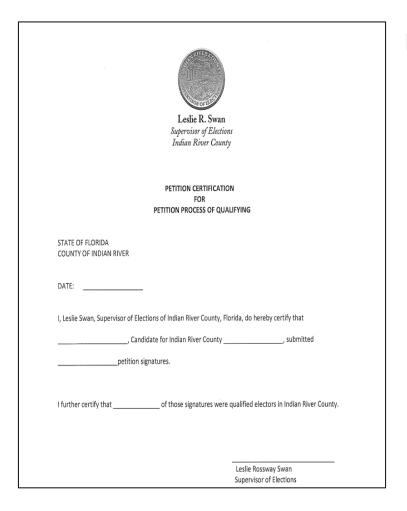
DS-DE 104

CANDIDATE PETITION Notes: - All information on this form becomes a public record upon receipt by the Supervisor - It is a crime to knowingly sign more than one petition for a candidate. [Section 104 If all requested information on this form is not completed, the form will not be valid	185. Florida Statutes l
I,	the undersigned, a registered voter
(print name as it appears on your voter information card)	MAAdrops
in said state and county, petition to have the name of	
placed on the Primary/General Election Ballot as a: [check/complete box, as applicable]	
Nonpartisan No party affiliation	Party candidate for the office of
(insert title of office and include district, circuit, group, seat number,	if applicable)
Date of Birth of Voter Registration Number (MM/DD/YY) Address	
County Indian River F	Zip Code
Signature of Voter	Date Signed (MM/DD/YY) [to be completed by Voter]
Rule 1S-2.045, F.A.C.	DS-DE 104 (Eff. 09/11)

Be sure to verify the date of birth for accuracy



Certificate of Petition Qualifying



Issued when required # of valid petitions are verified





Oath of Undue Burden:

DS-DE 19A

DS-DE 19A (Rev. 6/15)

AFFIDAVIT OF UNDUE BURDEN

(Section 99.097(4), Florida Statutes)

IMPORTANT: (1) Paying signature gatherers will preclude or invalidate the filing of an undue burden oath. Section 99.097(6), Florida Statutes, provides: (a) If any person is paid to solicit signatures on a petition, an undue burden oath may not subsequently be filed in lieu of paying the fee to have signatures verified for that petition. (b) If an undue burden oath has been filed and payment is subsequently made to any person to solicit signatures on a petition, the undue burden oath is no longer valid and a fee for all signatures previously submitted to the supervisor of elections and any submitted thereafter shall be paid by the candidate, person, or organization that submitted the undue burden oath. If contributions as defined in s. 106.011 are received, any monetary contributions must first be used to reimburse the supervisor of elections for any signature verification fees that were not paid because of the filing of the undue burden oath. [Note: The second sentence in (b) applies only when payment is made to a signature gatherer after an undue burden oath had been filed.]

(2) Upon a candidate terminating the campaign, any candidate who qualified by the petition process and who

has surplus funds, must first apply the surplus funds to the reimbursement of the signature verification fee (if applicable). See s. 106.141(7), Florida Statutes.

I certify under oath that I intend to qualify as a candidate for the office of

and that I am unable to pay the fee for verification of petition signatures for that office without imposing an undue burden on my personal resources or on resources otherwise available to me.

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Signature of Candidate		Print Candidate's Name		
Address		City		
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State	Zip	Telephone Number		
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Personally Known:	or			
Produced Identifica	ation:	Signature of Notary Public – State of Florida Print, Type or Stamp Commissioned Name of		
Type of Identification	on Produced:	Notary Public		

Candidate must file "Oath of Undue Burden"

No charge for verification of signatures





Write-In Candidate



- Not required to pay a qualifying fee or submit petitions
- Must comply with finance laws
- Must reside in the district at qualifying
- Qualify for general election ballot only
- Name will <u>not</u> appear on ballot



Qualifying Forms



- Candidate oath (SOE will provide correct oath)
- Name on oath is name printed on the ballot
- Party affiliation
- Properly notarized





Nickname on Candidate Oath

 First name, shortened version of first name or nickname:

✓ Rob" instead of "Robert" is OK

✓ Robert "Rob" Smith is OK

✓ Robert "Buzz" Smith is OK



 May <u>not</u> use descriptive information, such as esquire, doctor, reverend, etc.



Financial Disclosure Forms:

Form 1 and Form 6

- SOE will provide proper form
- Form 1: requires less information
- Form 6: requires detailed information





Why Financial Disclosure Forms?

- Only a snap shot of "financial situation" to disclose certain assets and sources of income
- Not the same as a "financial statement"
- Monitors potential conflicts of interest
- Deters activity that may result in conflict of interest



Candidate Information Checklist

- Public test notification
- Poll watcher information
- Political signage information
- Candidate handbook
- Canvassing board dates





Qualifying ends and the fun begins

- Qualifying ends June 17, 2022 at noon
- Qualifying for judicial candidates ends April 29, 2022 at noon





CAMPAIGN FINANCE RULES





Common FEC Violations

 Taking contributions or making expenditures before filing the DS-DE 9 Form

 Giving incomplete or false information on campaign reports (others are watching)



Campaign Treasurer

- Campaign treasurer should have some basic bookkeeping and computer skills
- It is imperative that the campaign treasurer reviews every bank statement when it is received
- Maintain accurate record keeping





Treasurer's Duties Keep Detailed Accounts



- Deposit funds within 5 business days
- Bank slip <u>must</u> include the name of each contributor

Preserve accounts (term of office = years preserved)



Record all Transactions

All transactions must be recorded in the campaign finance report:

- Contribution
- Expenditures
- Bank fees

Other fees, such as Pay Pal

service fees





Be Aware



Campaign reports must be filed on time by the treasurer or deputy treasurer

Fined for:

Not filing a report

Fines must be paid from candidate's personal funds

Campaign accounts can be inspected before, during or after an election by a DOE or FEC representative.



When are reports due?

- Reports are due on the 10th day following the end of each calendar month after filing for office
- Frequency of reports increases <u>after</u> the qualifying period:
 - ✓ Non-election year: 12 reports are due
 - ✓ Election year: 20 reports are due

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Fines are Hefty for Late Reports



First 3 days: \$50 per day

After first 3 days: \$500 per day



Reports immediately preceding primary and general elections: \$500 per day

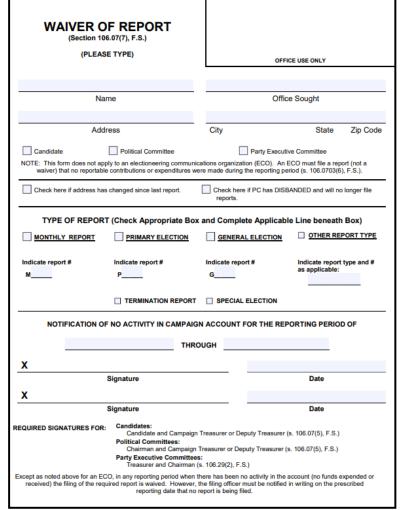
Fines cannot exceed 25% of total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater.



Fines must be paid within 20 days of notice of payment due.

No contributions or expenditures in reporting period?

Required to file a "Waiver of Report"







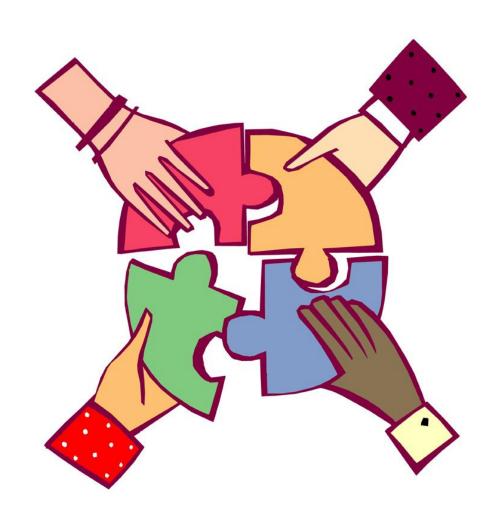
Incomplete Reports

- All reports are accepted on a conditional basis
- We will notify you if a report is incomplete
- Amended report is due within 7 days
- Amended report must include updated information to complete the report





CAMPAIGN FINANCE: CONTRIBUTIONS







What is considered a contribution?

A gift, subscription, conveyance, deposit, loan, payment or distribution of money or anything of value, including contributions in-kind, made for the purpose of influencing the results of an election









Contribution exceptions

Exceptions include:

- ✓ Services by volunteers (no compensation)
- ✓ Editorial endorsements

All contributions <u>must</u> be reported, regardless of whether it's 50 cents or \$1,000



Reporting Contributions

Reporting for each contribution. must list:

- Full name
- Address
- Specific occupation (individual), if contribution is more than \$100
- Principal type of business (corporation), if contribution is more than \$100
- Amount
- Date



Be sure to report any transfer of funds or loans

Contribution limits for candidates

- \$3,000 per candidate for statewide office, retention as a Justice of the Supreme Court
- \$1,000 for a:
- Simits
- ✓ Candidate ✓ Candidate ✓ Retention as a Judge of
- ✓ Retention as a Judge of a District Court of Appeal County Court Judge or Circuit Judge
- ✓ Legislative office
- ✓ Multicounty office
- ✓ Countywide office
- ✓ Any election conducted on less than a countywide basis



When to Stop Accepting Contributions

Candidates may not accept contributions after:

 The date the candidate withdraws his or her candidacy

Is defeated

Becomes unopposed

Is elected



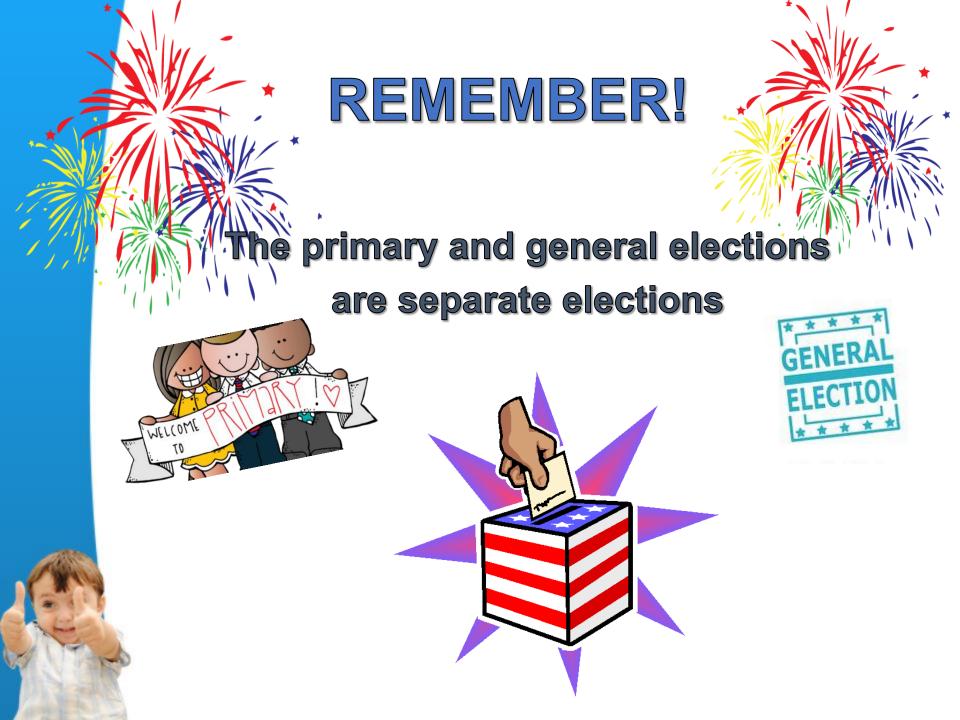


Contribution Limits

Exception: Contribution limits do not apply to contributions by a candidate to his or her own campaign







Debit and Credit Card Contributions

A candidate may accept contributions via:

- Credit card
- Debit card
- Money order

Categorized as a "check" for reporting purposes



Cash Contributions

A cash contribution may not exceed \$50 per election







In-kind Contributions

Anything of value made for the purpose of influencing the results of an election

ELECTION RESULTS

Candidates may give unlimited in-kind donations to their own campaign



In-kind contributions:



- Must be reported using a fair market value
- Are subject to contribution limits



Exceptions to In-kind Contributions

Personal services provided without compensation by volunteers

 Independent expenditures, as defined in Section 106.011(5)F.S.

 Endorsements of 3 or more candidates by political committees or parties





Anonymous Contributions

Must be reported as an anonymous contribution



 A letter should be submitted to the filing officer explaining the circumstances surrounding acceptance of an anonymous contribution

 Candidate <u>cannot</u> spend the anonymous contribution, but at the end of the campaign, can donate funds to the appropriate entity under 106.141 F.S.

Joint Accounts



When a candidate receives a contribution in the form of a check drawn on a joint account, the person signing the check is considered the contributor



Fundraisers

 All monies and contributions received from campaign fundraisers are campaign contributions

Subject to contribution limits





Unauthorized Contributions

Any contribution received on the day of the election or less than 5 days before the day of the election <u>must</u> be returned to the contributor and <u>may not</u> be used or expended by or on behalf of the candidate

UNAUTHORIZED



Form DS-DE 2: Returning Contributions

If the contribution has been deposited into the campaign account:

- Report the contribution returned on Form DS-DE 2
- Write a check from the campaign account to the contributor for the amount of the contribution

CONTRIBUTIONS RETURNED	
(Section 106.07(4)(c), F.S.)	
(PLEASE TYPE)	
	OFFICE USE ONLY
This report applies only to contributions received to the contributor before being deposited in the ca	by any candidate, committee, or organization but returned ampaign account.
Candidate	Committee or Organization
Full Name:	
Full Address:	
Full Name and Address of Contributor:	Full Name and Address of Contributor:
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Amount of Contribution: \$	Amount of Contribution: \$
Date Received:	
Date Returned:	Date Returned:
Full Name and Address of Contributor:	Full Name and Address of Contributor:
Amount of Contribution: \$	
Date Received:	
Date Returned:	Date Returned:
I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THIS R	REPORT AND IT IS TRUE, CORRECT AND COMPLETE.

Returning Contributions

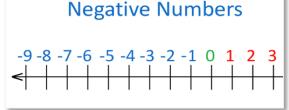
Report returned contributions



 Use the itemized contribution report to record the contribution type as "refund"

Returned contributions are reported as a negative

Negative Numbers



Candidates Changing Designated Office

If a candidate changes the designated office for which they are a candidate:

 Must submit a new Form DS-DE 9 and a written statement to SOE filing officer

must

Must notify all contributors in writing of intent to seek a different office

Must offer to return pro rata and, upon request, return the contribution within 30 days of the notification



Candidates Changing Designated Office

 May use the contribution if the donor does not request the contribution be returned within the 30-day period

 The amount of the prior contribution for the former office counts toward the contribution limit for the new office



Form DS-DE 86: Request for Return of Contribution

(Section 106.021, F.S (PLEASE TYPE)	CONTRIBUTION
l,	
hereby request that the pro rata share	of my contribution to the
campaign of	as a
candidate for the office of	
x	Date
Signature	
Signature Street Address	



If a contributor would like a refund, use the DS-DE 86 form to request the return of the contribution



Loans



 Loans are considered contributions and are subject to contribution limitations

Exception: Loans made by a candidate to his or her own campaign are not subject to contribution limits

 A candidate making a loan to his or her campaign may be reimbursed for the loan at any time the campaign account has sufficient funds

Loans must be reported on the campaign treasurer's report

Treasurer Report



Form DS-DE 73:

Campaign Loans Report

All personal loans exceeding \$500 in value, made in the 12 months preceding a candidate's election to office, must file the DS-DE 73 form

Any person who makes a contribution to pay all or part of a loan incurred in the 12 months preceding the election, to be used for the campaign, may not contribute more than the amount allowed by law

CAMPAIGN LOANS REPORT (Section 106.075, F.S.) (PLEASE TYPE)	OFFICE USE ONLY			
This report applies to all candidates E exceeding \$500 in value, which were purposes within the 12 months precemust be reported to the filing officer w election to office.	accepted and used for campaign			
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Office				
Mailing Address				
City	State Zip Code			
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DS-DE 73 (Rev. 08/03)	AMOUNT OF LOAN:	OCCUPATION:		
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CAMPAIGN FINANCE: EXPENDITURES







An expenditure is a purchase, payment, distribution, loan, advance or transfer of funds for the purpose of influencing the results of an election



Campaign Expenditures

A candidate must:



- campaign check (except petty cash)
- Pay all expenses upon final delivery and acceptance of goods and services
- Pay for public utilities when bill is received(utility companies must charge a deposit to meet all anticipated charges during a billing period)





Campaign Account

Campaign checks must contain:

- Name of the candidate or committee
- Name of bank
- Account number
- Exact amount of expenditure
- Signature of campaign treasurer/deputy treasurer
- Exact purpose of expenditure
- Name of the payee



Information may be typed or hand printed on starter checks provided by the bank until printed checks arrive

Name of the campaign account of the candidate or political committee

April 6, 2018

Pay To The Order of

A-1 Sign Company \$ 150.00

One Hundred and Fifty and 00/100______ Dollars

Hometown Bank

Hometown, FL 01234

FOR Sign Materials

Signature of Campaign Treasurer





Debit cards

CARD

Debit cards may be used for campaign expenditures:

- Must be from the same bank as the designated primary depository
- Must be issued in the name of the treasurer, deputy treasurer or authorized user
- Must contain the name of the candidate
- No more than three debit cards shall be issued
- Cannot receive cash back





Debit Card Receipts

All debit card receipts must contain:

- Last four digits of the debit card number
- Exact amount of the expenditure
- Name of payees
- Signature of authorized user (treasurer, etc.)
- Exact purpose of expenditure
- If not included on the receipt, information may be handwritten





Credit Cards



Candidates for statewide office, such as governor, cabinet and supreme court justice, may obtain and use credit cards for travel related campaign expenditures





Expenditures

IMPORTANT: No candidate, campaign manager, treasurer or deputy treasurer shall authorize any expenses, unless:

- There are sufficient funds on deposit in the primary depository account to pay the full amount of the expenditure
- Sufficient funds to honor all other checks drawn on the account
- All expenses previously authorized but not yet paid



Reporting Expenditures

Each report must contain:

- Full name
- Address
- Amount
- Date
- Purpose of expenditure
- Total amount withdrawn from total spent from petty cash
- Total sum of expenditures during the reporting period





Reimbursing Expenses

Reimbursement for authorized expenses made in connection with the campaign



For example:

Candidate Smith paid for printing of campaign signs with his own money



Reimbursing Expenses

This type of reimbursement will require two entries

Entry #1: ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

A check to reimburse Mr. Smith for the cost for printing campaign signs would be recorded as a reimbursement

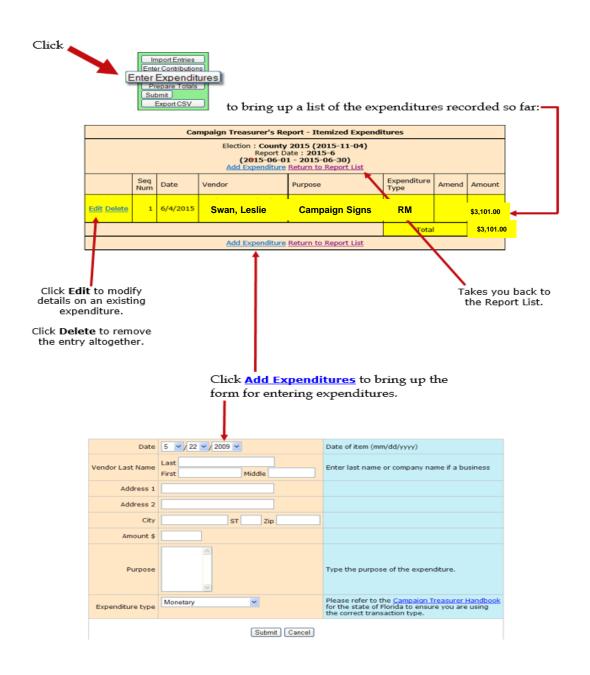




Entering ExpendituresFor Reimbursement

(1) Name(3) Cover Period	/through		2) I.D. Numbe		
(5) Date (6) Sequence Number	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Purpose (add office sought if contribution to a candidate)	(9) Expenditure Type	(10)	(11)
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Reimbursing Expenses

Entry #2: Distributions

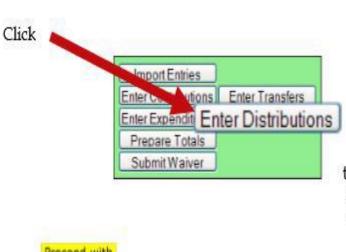
This entry would designate information regarding the entity who was paid for the campaign signs



Entering Distribution Corresponds to Reimbursement

	1) Name (2) I.D. Number 3) Cover Period/ _/ through/ _/ (4) Page of					
(5) Date (6) Sequence Number	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Purpose	(9) Related Expenditures	(4) Page	(11)	(12) Distribution
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To record a distribution:



to bring up a page with describing the requirements for a distribution transaction.

Click Proceed with Distribution

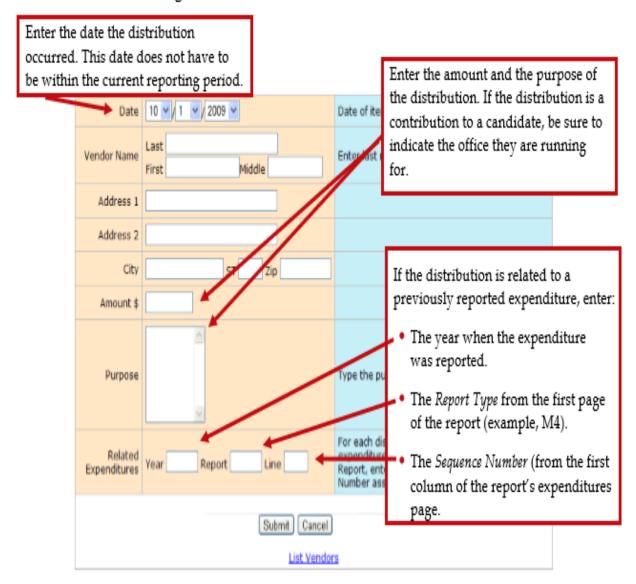
to see this page:



Click Add Distribution to bring up the form for entering distributions.



If the entity receiving the distribution is an organization rather than an individual, enter the organization name in the Last field.





When you've completed the form, click **Submit** to save the information. After the distribution is saved, you'll get another blank distribution form.

Click Cancel when you've saved the last distribution you have right now. You'll see the distributions you added highlighted in yellow, as in the example below.

Campaign Treasurer's Report - Itemized Distributions							
Election : County 2015 (2015-11-04) Report Date : 2015-6 (2015-06-01 - 2015-06-30) Add Distribution Return to Report List							
	Seq Num	Date	Vendor	Purpose	Related Expenditures	Amend	Amount
Edit Delete	1	6/4/2015	Eric Wu Campaign Account 222 South Street Tallahassee, F 32432	Mailouts	2015~2015-6~2		\$3,101.00
			Total \$3,10				
Add Distribution Return to Report List							





Note



A distribution transaction does not add to your report totals. The distribution line item only explains the reason for the purchase



Reimbursement

A candidate or other individual may be reimbursed for expenses by a check drawn on the campaign account

Reimbursement <u>must</u> be reported



Fundraisers

All expenses incurred from a campaign fundraiser are campaign expenditures





Living Expenses

A candidate and/or spouse of a candidate may not use campaign funds to defray normal living expenses

Only expenses incurred during the campaign for transportation, meals, and lodging may be reimbursed





Petty Cash Funds



- Campaign treasurer may provide a petty cash fund
- Campaign treasurer must write a check drawn on the primary campaign account for petty cash
- Petty cash may only be used for office supplies, transportation expenses, and other necessities



Petty Cash Limits

A candidate must:

Spend petty cash only in amounts less than \$100

 Report total amount withdrawn or spent from petty cash per report period

Keep complete records of petty cash





Reporting Petty Cash Expenditures

- Each expenditure does not have to be reported individually
- Do not mix cash contributions with petty cash

 Do not use petty cash for the purchase of time, space or services from any communications media



Petty Cash Maximums

From the date a candidate appoints his or her campaign treasurer, until the last day of qualifying for the office:

Petty cash maximum is \$500 per calendar quarter

After qualifying is over and until the election:

Petty cash maximum is \$100 per week for local candidates

Using Campaign Funds After Election

Campaign funds may be used after election night as long as the candidate obligates the funds before election night

Otherwise, the candidate would have to use his or her own funds (for example, to hold a victory party)



Disposing Surplus Funds

Any candidate required to dispose of funds may, before such disposition, be reimbursed by the campaign, in full or in part, for any reported:

Contributions to the campaign by the candidate

 Loans to the campaign by the candidate



Expending Surplus Funds

Once a candidate withdraws, becomes unopposed, is eliminated or elected to office, he or she may only expend funds from the campaign account by:

- Purchasing "thank you" advertising for up to 75 days after candidate withdraws, becomes unopposed, eliminated or elected to office
- Paying for items that were obligated before candidate withdrew, became unopposed, was eliminated, or elected to office



Expending Surplus Funds

Expend surplus funds by:

 Paying for expenditures necessary to close down the campaign office and prepare final campaign reports



Surplus Funds and Termination Reports

Within 90 days of withdrawing as a candidate, becoming unopposed, elected or eliminated:

- A termination report must be filed
- Funds must be dispersed
- Account must be closed





Dispersing Funds

Funds may be dispersed of by any of the following means, or a combination of:

- Return pro rata to each contributor the funds that have not been spent or obligated
- Donate the excess funds to a 501(c)(3)
 charity or organization
- Give the funds to the candidate's political party (max \$25,000)



Dispersing Funds

Give the Funds to:

 Candidate for state office, to the state to be deposited in the General Revenue Fund

 Candidate for office of a political subdivision, to such political subdivision, to be deposited in their general fund



See 106.141F.S.

Dispersing Funds

Transfer some funds to an office account and file quarterly reports until all funds are depleted

Note: A candidate elected to state office may retain up to \$20,000 in a campaign account for use in next campaign for the same office





Refund Checks

If a refund check is received after all surplus funds have been disposed of:

 The check may be endorsed by the candidate and the refund disposed of pursuant to Section 106.141 F.S.

 An amended termination report must be filed with the filing officer



Affidavit of Undue Burden Reimbursement

If a candidate filed an **Affidavit of Undue** Burden(unable to pay the fee for petition verification), he or she must reimburse any waived petition verification fees to the state or local government

AFFIDAVIT OF UNDUE BURDEN

(Section 99.097(4), Florida Statutes)

IMPORTANT: (1) Paying signature gatherers will preclude or invalidate the filing of an undue burden oath. Section 80 907(6), Florido Statutes, provides: (a) if any person is paid to solicit signatures on a petition, an undue burden oath may not subsequently be filed in lieu of paying the fee to have signatures verified for that perition. (b) if an undue burden oath has been filed and payment is subsequently made to any person to solicit signatures on a petition, the undue burden oath is no longer valid and a fee for all signatures previously submitted to the supervisor of elections and any submitted thereafter shall be paid by the candidate, person, or organization that submitted the undue burden oath. If contributions as defined in s. 106,011 are received, any monetary contributions must first be used to reimburse the supervisor of elections for any signature verification fees that were not paid because of the filing of the undue burden oath. (Note: The second sentence in (b) applies only when payment is made to a signature gatherer after an undue burden oath hat been filed.)

(2) Upon a candidate terminating the campaign, any candidate who qualified by the petition process and who has surplus funds, must first apply the surplus funds to the reimbursement of the signature verification fee (if applicable). See s. 106.141(7), Florida Statutes.

I certify under oath that I intend to qualify as a candidate for the office of unable to pay the fee for verification of petition signatures for that office without imposing an undue burden on my personal resources or on resources otherwise available to me.

Signature of Candidate		Print Candidate's Name	
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State	Zip	Telephone Number	
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Personally Knowr	n:or		
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Personally Known Produced Identification Type of Identification	cation:		



CANDIDATE FINANCE REPORTING



Filing Campaign Reports

- Start by keeping your bank statements current and balanced
- Keep current with your campaign contributions and expenditures in the campaign reporting module

Do not forget to list on your campaign finance reports any bank charges or other expenses that are automatically deducted from your account



Filing Candidate Reports Online

- Reports must be submitted via SOE website
- When data entry is complete, report is submitted using electronic signature(s)
- Reports will be released on voteindianriver.com when accepted by SOE



Filing Candidate Reports Online

When you file for office, you will be provided with:

- Candidate ID number
- Candidate password
- Candidate PIN (for electronic signature)
- Treasurer PIN (for electronic signature)
- "How to File Financial Reports" Manual



Filing Reports

Go to SOE website: voteindianriver.gov



Candidate/Committee Log In

Don't forget that the report IS NOT LEGALLY FILED until the electronically filed and electronically signed report is received by the elections office. This <u>must</u> be done on or before the due date of the report. If the report is delinquent, you are subject to a fine.

Once the report is electronically received by the elections office, the elections office will publish the data entered by you on the web site.

Using the system is very easy and there is no cost to you.

Use the Candidate ID, Candidate Password, Candidate/Treasurer signature PIN number provided by the Supervisor of Elections office to log in to the Financial Reporting System.

Login

Numeric ID (no leading zeros) Password



Entering contributions and expenditures

Export All Transactions CSV

Help

Press Help for information on using the new 'Import Entries' feature.

Past Reporting Periods Current Reporting Periods Future Reporting Periods Rpt Date Total Contrib Exp Status Import Entries Enter Contributions Enter Transfers Enter Expenditures Enter Distributions Prepare Totals Create Waiver Report Create Waiver Report Create Waiver Report Past Reporting Periods Current Reporting Periods Future Reporting Periods Future Reporting Periods Import Entries Enter Contributions Enter Transfers Create Waiver Report	Candidate Reports								
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- Choose the reporting period
- Enter contributions, expenditures, distributions, etc.
- NOTE: The RED Help button is a step-by-step tutorial for "How to File Finance Reports Online"



Entering Contributions

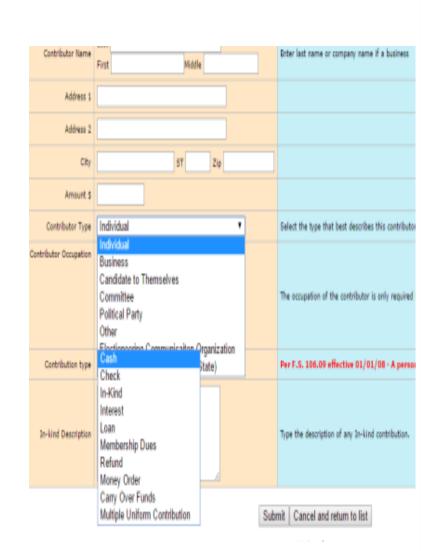
Date	12 v 15 v 2017 v	Date of item (mm/dd/yyyy)
Contributor Name	Last First Middle	Enter last name or company name if a business
Address 1		
Address 2		
City	ST Zip	
Amount \$		
Contributor Type	Individual ▼	Select the type that best describes this contributor
Contributor Occupation		The occupation of the contributor is only required if the amount is over \$100
Contribution type	Cash ▼	Per F.S. 106.09 effective 01/01/08 - A person may not make or accept a cash contribution in excess of \$50.
In-kind Description		Type the description of any In-kind contribution.



Submitting Entries

Click "submit" after each entry

When finished with all entries for your session, select "cancel and return to list"



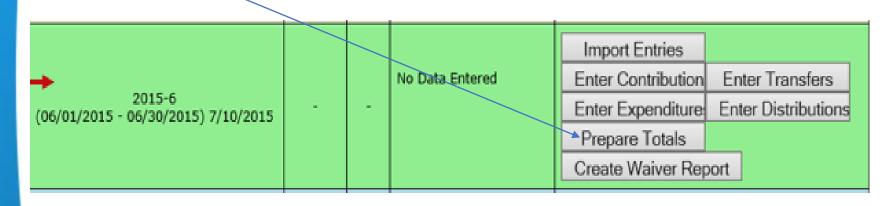
Entering Expenditures

Date	12 ▼ / 15 ▼ / 2017 ▼	Date of item (mm/dd/yyyy)
Vendor Name	Last First Middle	Enter last name or company name if a business
Address 1		
Address 2		
City	ST Zip	
Amount \$		
Purpose		Type the purpose of the expenditure.
Expenditure type	Monetary ▼	Please refer to the <u>Campaign Treasurer Handbook</u> for the state of Florida to ensure you are using the correct transaction type.



Finalizing the report

When done entering all information for the reporting period, select "prepare totals"

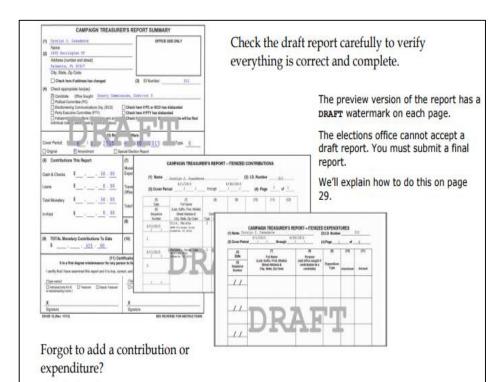




Previewing the Report

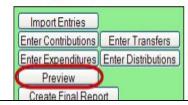
Preview a report -

Draft



That's OK: You can continue to add them after doing the preview.

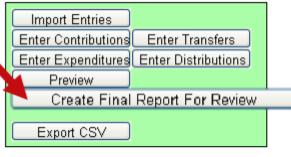
On the Report List, notice that the Prepare Totals button is now labeled Preview.







Click



to bring up instructions:

Create Final Report For Review

Candidate: Carolyn J. Casadonte (312) Office: County Commission, District 3
Report Period 06/01/2015-06/30/2015 Due Date 7/10/2015

Contributions \$425.00 Expenditures \$500.00

Transfers \$0.00 Distributions \$0.00

By submitting this campaign finance report that the same is considered to be certified as to correctness within the meaning of Section 106.07(5) Florida Statutes, by the candidate and the candidates treasurer, in the case of a candidate, or the political committee's chair and treasurer, in the case of a political committee or county executive committee, and that such persons are subject to the previsions of Section 106.07(5) Florida Statute.

PLEASE NOTE: This report is NOT filed until it is electronically signed by the Candidate/Committee and Treasurer using their respective electronic PIN.

Create Final Report For Review

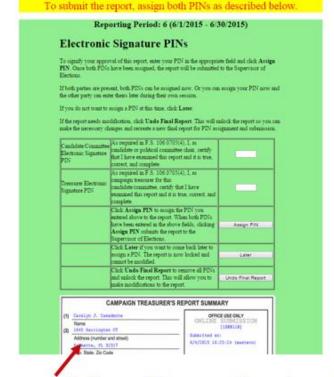
Cancel



Electronic Signature

Use your PIN, which is an electronic signature

This report has not yet been submitted to the Supervisor of Elections.







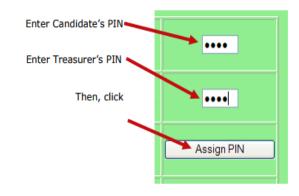
Electronic signature

You must enter:

- Candidate's PIN
- Treasurer's PIN

Always select "Assign PIN"

 Enter both PINs in the space provided and click Assign PIN to submit the report to the Supervisor of Elections.

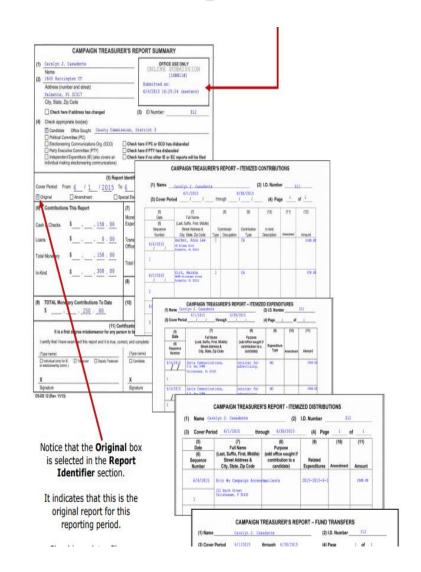




Creating a Final Report

Final report appears and "draft" is gone

Notice the submitted date and time





Report Received

Notice that report has been received on the reports page

When will my report appear on the elections website?

That depends on your county's procedures. Most counties reserve the right to review reports before releasing them to the public. Typically, when the report status changes to **Received**, the report is available on the website, but this can vary, so check with your county to find out what you can expect.



Upon SOE approval, report will be released on SOE website



TATTENTION Modifying a report CHIS HAS CHANGED



You can always change a report by filing an amended report for a current or a past reporting period

AMENDED



Campaign Finance Resources

- Chapter 106, F.S.
- Online Handbooks:



- -Electioneering Communications
 Organization Handbook
- -Political Committee Handbook





Florida Department of State/Division of Elections

- Administers ch.106, F.S.
- Operates state level electronic filing system
- Maintains campaign documents, candidate, and committee databases
- Oversees registration and dissolution of political entities
- Issues advisory opinions
- Assesses statutory fines
- Conducts Audits

Florida Elections Commission

- > Enforces ch.106, F.S.
- Investigates sworn complaints
- Decides appeals of automatic fines and revocations of political entities
- Determines violations of chapters 104 and 106, F.S.
- Imposes fines for violations of chapters 104 and 106, F.S.
- Issues final orders



POLITICAL ADVERTISING





Political Advertising

A political advertisement is a paid expression in a communications media prescribed in Section 106.011(15) F.S., which expressly advocates the election or defeat of a candidate or the approval or rejection of an issue

Political advertisements include radio, TV, newspaper, campaign literature, mail or messages other than the spoken word in direct conversation



Advertising Disclaimers

Advertising disclaimers are required for political ads that are paid for by a candidate and published or circulated

Disclaimers must be verbatim per Section 106.143 F.S.

Disclaimer



Reminder: All candidates receive a copy of the Florida Election Code when filing

Political Ads Paid for by Candidate

If published, displayed or circulated before or on election day, political advertisements must state:

- "Political advertisement paid for and approved by name of candidate, party affiliation, for office sought," or
- "Paid for by name of candidate, party affiliation, for office sought"

Section 106.143(1)(a)(1), F.S



Disclaimer Exceptions

There are many exceptions to disclaimer requirements in advertising under Section 106.143 (1-10) F.S., such as items designed to be worn by a person, which do not require a disclaimer





Disclaimer Exceptions

Any candidate running for an office with a district, group or seat number does not have to indicate the district, group or seat number in a political advertisement



Refer to 106.143 (1-10) F.S. for all disclaimer requirements

Definitions

Incumbent: Candidate who is currently holding office

Non Incumbent: Candidate who is running for an office and does not currently hold the position

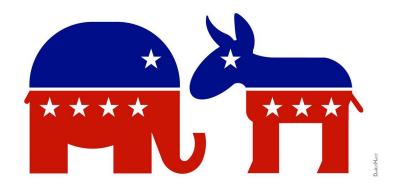
Partisan candidate: Candidate who can campaign and qualify for office with a political party affiliation

Non Partisan candidate: Candidate who is prohibited from campaigning and qualifying for office with a political party affiliation



Running for a Partisan Office?

Candidate shall state the name of the political party of which candidate is seeking in the advertisement





Section 106.143(3) F.S.

Incumbent Candidates

The word "<u>re-elect</u>" in an advertisement may only be used for an incumbent candidate:

Example: Re-elect Jane Doe for ...



Section 106.143(6)F.S.

Non-incumbent Candidates

 Non-incumbent candidates <u>must</u> use the word "<u>for</u>" in advertisements so that incumbency is not implied

Example: Elect Jane Doe for ...



Section 106.143(6)F.S.

No-Party Candidates

 Candidates for a partisan office running with no party affiliation must state that the candidate has no party affiliation

Example: Jane Doe, no party affiliation, for...



Section 106.143(3) F.S

Write-in Candidates

Write-in candidates <u>must</u> state "write-in candidate" in advertisements

Example: Jane Doe, write-in candidate

for...

Section 106.143(1) F.S



Fundraisers

Any tickets or advertising for campaign fundraisers must comply with the disclaimer requirements in Section 106.143 F.S.



Political Advertisement Endorsements

An ad placed by an organization in support of a candidate must be approved by the candidate

Since the organization paid for the ad, it is considered an in-kind donation to the candidate, and must:

- State who supported and paid for the ad
- Include "in-kind" in the ad
- Be approved by the candidate, who must provide a written statement of authorization

Section 106.143(5) F.S.





Political Advertisement Endorsements

This does not apply to an editorial endorsement by any:

- Newspaper
- Radio
- TV station
- Other recognized news medium publication by a party committee

RULES
1. YOU CAN...
2. YOU CANT...
3. YOU CAN'T...
4. YOU CAN'T





Independent Expenditure

An expenditure made for the purpose of expressly advocating the election or defeat of a candidate and cannot be coordinated with any candidate

Must state:

"Paid political advertisement paid for by name of organization. This advertisement was not approved by any candidate"

Must provide a written statement that no candidate has approved the advertisement to the advertising medium

Section 106.143(5)(b) F.S.



Advertising in Another Language

May provide any disclaimers required in the language used in the advertisement





Section 106.143(9) F.S.



Closed Captioning

Each candidate, political party and political committee <u>must use</u> closed captioning and descriptive narrative, <u>or must</u> file a written statement with the qualifying SOE officer with reason for excluding these items



Section 106.165, F.S.

Telephone Solicitation

 Caller must identify the persons or organization sponsoring the call by stating "paid for by" or "paid for on behalf of"

No telephone call shall state or imply that the caller represents any organization unless given the approval

in writing



Section 106.147, F.S.

PLEASE LOOK AT YOUR NEXT HANDOUT PAGE





Q & A

• A candidate running for a partisan office is placing and paying for an advertisement in a local newspaper to promote his/her campaign. What disclaimer is necessary in the ad?





Q & A





A. "Political advertisement paid for and approved by name of candidate,party affiliation, office sought"



"Paid by name of candidate, party affiliation, office sought"





Campaign Signage

Each municipality and the county has sign ordinances

 On election day, sign-related complaints (outside the <u>150' no-solicitation zone</u>) must be directed to the code enforcement unit assigned to the specific voting area

 The SOE is not be responsible for any signs left or posted outside the 150' nosolicitation zone



More about signage

Code enforcement officers can provide information on local permits and/or sign regulations for:

- Fellsmere
- Indian River County
- Indian River Shores
- Sebastian
- Town of Orchid
- Vero Beach





POLL WATCHERS





Poll Watchers



- Candidates and political parties may have one poll watcher in each polling room or early voting site at any one time
- All members of the public may observe opening and closing procedures
- Deadlines for Election Day poll watcher designations must be submitted prior to noon of the second Tuesday preceding the election



Poll Watchers



 For early voting sites, designations must be submitted prior to noon, at least 14 days before early voting begins

 Poll watchers shall be approved by the SOE no later than 7 days before early voting begins or election day



VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS



Vote-by-Mail Ballots

Can I obtain a list of who has requested a vote-by-mail ballot?

Vote-by-mail ballot request information is confidential and exempt from public disclosure, unless you are one of the following:

- Canvassing board member
- Election official
- Political party or official thereof
- Qualified candidate who is opposed in an upcoming election
- Registered political committee

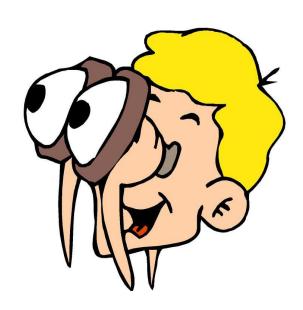
Section 101.62(3) F.S.



Look at your next handout

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Supervisor of Elections cannot provide technical support beyond this information.





Requesting Registered Voter Information

- Payment for any requested list must be paid by cash or check
- We do not accept credit cards or debit cards for payment





Why would I need this list?

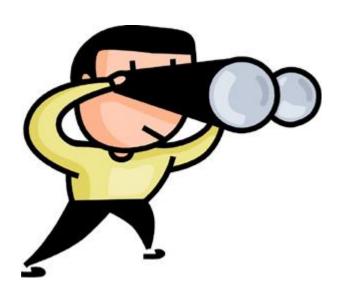
Walk a neighborhood house-by-house

- Send flyers to registered voters
- Send flyers to households
- Review previous voting history





Look at your next handout



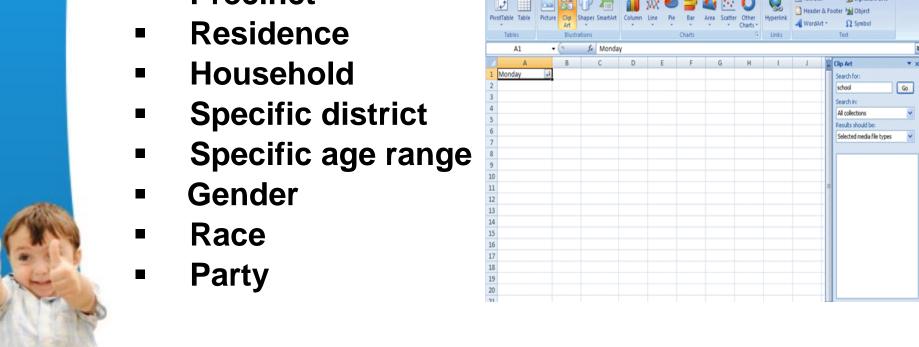
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List Categories

Lists of registered voters from Indian River County are formatted in Excel and can be sorted by:

- Name
- **Precinct**





ETHICAL CONDUCT





Speaking at Public Meetings

 Candidates <u>may not pay money or give</u> anything of value for speaking at a political meeting to further their candidacy

 Candidates <u>may not</u> make any contribution in the name of another, directly or indirectly



Contribution Solicitation

Candidates may not solicit contributions from or make contributions in exchange for political support to any religious, charitable, political party, civic or other organizations established primarily for the public good







Use of Campaign Funds

A candidate may use campaign funds to purchase tickets, admission to events, or advertisements from the following groups:

- Religious
- Charitable
- Political party
- Civic





Memberships

Candidates may continue membership in and, if they have been a member for more than six months, make donations to the following groups:

- Religious
- Charitable
- Political party
- Civic





Malicious Statements

A candidate may not, with actual malice, make any false statement about an opposing candidate



This is a felony of the third degree per Section 104.271 F.S.





Judicial Candidate Limitations

Judicial candidates shall not participate in any partisan political party activities except:

Register to vote as a member of any political party

Voting in any party primary contest



Judicial Candidate Limitations

Limitations on political activity:

Campaign as a member of any political party

 Publicly represent or advertise herself/himself as a political party member

 Make political speeches other than in the candidate's own behalf



Judicial Candidate Limitations

A candidate for judicial office shall not:

Make contributions to a political party fund

Solicit or accept contributions for any political party



Judicial Candidate Limitations

A candidate for judicial office shall not:

- Accept or retain a place on any political party committee
- Make any contributions to (person, group, or organization) for its endorsement to judicial office
- Agree to pay all or any part of an advertisement sponsored by any person, group or organization where the candidate may be endorsed for judicial office







Election Night Results

Election night voting results are released after the polls are closed:

- Early voting totals and vote-by-mail ballot totals are released within approximately 30 minutes
- Election day results are updated approximately every 45 minutes thereafter



Candidate Responsibilities

As the candidate, you are responsible for all aspects of your campaign







Polling Place Etiquette

Candidates and campaign volunteers, please take time to look around the polling sites before you leave on election day and pick up any remaining signs, flyers, trash, etc.



Our office is very fortunate to have such nice facilities available for us to rent on election day



