

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Corey Grenfell

Case No.: FEC 20-132

TO: Corey Grenfell
5416 Bloomfield Blvd.
Lakeland, FL 33810

Barbara Osthoff, Polk County SOE
PO Box 1460
Bartow, FL 33831

NOTICE OF VIRTUAL HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **May 25, 2021, at 8:30 am EST**, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard.

Please note that because of COVID-19, this will be a virtual meeting conducted by remote video or teleconference. Enclosed you will find additional details on joining the video conference via GoToWebinar, **9-Digit Webinar ID 640938187** or via **teleconference by dialing (866) 901-6455** and entering the **meeting access code 278040912**, when prompted. **If you wish to speak before the Commission, you will need to appear by webcam and will be sworn in remotely.** Please be advised that the Commission will consider multiple cases, so you will need to wait until your case is considered. If you have any questions, please contact Commission staff at (850) 922-4539.

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If you are the Respondent, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have *5 minutes* to present your case to the Commission. However, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless you request to be heard or the Commission requests that your case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, your case will *not* be individually heard.

If you are the Complainant, you may attend the hearing, but you will *not* be permitted to address the Commission. In addition, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless the Respondent requests to be heard or the Commission requests that the case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, the case will *not* be individually heard.

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See further instructions on the reverse side.

Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
May 10, 2021

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If this is a hearing to consider a **consent order before a determination of probable cause has been made**, the Commission will decide whether to accept or reject the consent order. If the Commission accepts the consent order, the case will be closed and become public. If the Commission rejects the consent order or does not make a decision to accept or deny the consent order, the case will remain confidential, unless confidentiality has been waived.

If this is a hearing to consider a **consent order after a determination of probable cause has been made**, the Commission will decide whether to accept or reject the consent order. If the Commission accepts the consent order, the case will be closed. If the Commission rejects the consent order or does not make a decision to accept or deny the consent order, the Respondent will be entitled to another hearing to determine if the Respondent committed the violation(s) alleged.

If this is a **probable cause hearing**, the Commission will decide if there is probable cause to believe that the Respondent committed a violation of Florida's election laws. Respondent should be prepared to explain how the staff in its recommendation incorrectly applied the law to the facts of the case. *Respondent may not testify, call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence at the probable cause hearing.* The Commission will only decide whether Respondent should be *charged* with a violation and, before the Commission determines whether a violation has occurred or a fine should be imposed, Respondent will have an opportunity for another hearing at which evidence may be introduced.

If this is an **informal hearing**, it will be conducted pursuant Sections 120.569 and 120.57(2), Florida Statutes; Chapter 28 and Commission Rule 2B-1.004, Florida Administrative Code. At the hearing, the Commission will decide whether the Respondent committed the violation(s) charged in the Order of Probable Cause. The Respondent will be permitted to testify. However, the Respondent may not call witnesses to testify.

Respondent may argue why the established facts in the Staff Recommendation do not support the violations charged in the Order of Probable Cause. At Respondent's request, the Commission may determine whether Respondent's actions in the case were willful. The Respondent may also address the appropriateness of the recommended fine. If Respondent claims that his limited resources make him unable to pay the statutory fine, *he must provide the Commission with written proof of his financial resources* at the hearing. A financial affidavit form is available from the Commission Clerk.



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Commission Meeting May 25, 2021 at 8:30AM via GoToWebinar and OpenVoice

In order to participate in the public portion of the May 25, 2021, Florida Elections Commission meeting, please follow the instructions below:

- A. GoToWebinar – Remote Video Conferencing
 1. Open your web browser and search GoToWebinar or enter www.gotowebinar.com.
 2. Select "Join" in the upper right corner of the website.
 3. Enter the 9-digit Webinar ID: 640938187 and your email address.
 4. Register your name and email address.
 5. You will automatically join the meeting as an attendee. Attendees are muted and can choose to utilize their webcam.

- B. OpenVoice - Teleconference
 1. Call 1-866-901-6455
 2. Enter Access Code 278-040-912
 3. You will automatically join the meeting as an **Attendee**. Attendees are muted.

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You can call or email our office of your intent to participate or of any questions you may have regarding this meeting. Please provide the case number(s) of interest, when contacting our office.

Thank you,

Commission Staff

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**Florida Elections Commission,
Petitioner,**

Case No.: FEC 20-132

v.

**Corey Grenfell,
Respondent.**

ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on February 23, 2021, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On January 4, 2021, Staff recommended to the Commission that there was probable cause to believe that the Florida Election Code was violated. The facts articulated in Staff's Recommendation are adopted by reference and incorporated herein. Based on the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff's Recommendation, and oral statements (if any) made at the probable cause hearing, the Commission finds that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with the following violation(s):


Count 1:

On or about April 10, 2020, Corey Grenfell violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that he would not be filing his 2020 M3 Report.

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The Commission finds that there is **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on February 23, 2021.



Joni Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Stephanie J. Cunningham, Assistant General Counsel
Corey Grenfell, Respondent
Barbara Osthoff, Complainant

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

As the Respondent, you may elect to resolve this case in several ways. First, you may elect to resolve this case by consent order where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violation(s) and agree to the amount of the fine. The consent order is then presented to the Commission for its approval. To discuss a consent order, contact the FEC attorney identified in the Order of Probable Cause.

Second, you may request an informal hearing held before the Commission, if you do not dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to make written or oral arguments to the Commission concerning the legal issues related to the violation(s) and the potential fine. At the request of Respondent, the Commission will consider and determine willfulness at an informal hearing. Otherwise, live witness testimony is unnecessary.

Third, you may request a formal hearing held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you.

If you do not elect to resolve the case by consent order or request a formal hearing at the DOAH or an informal hearing before the Commission within 30 days of the date this Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission, the case will be sent to the Commission for a formal or

informal hearing, depending on whether the facts are in dispute. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order.

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Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
February 2, 2021

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Confidential Commission Meeting February 23, 2021 at 1:00 PM via Zoom

In order to participate in the confidential portion of the February 23, 2021, Florida Elections Commission meeting, please follow the instructions below:

Join Zoom Meeting

Click on the meeting link sent to your attention via email:

<https://zoom.us/j/98718470706?pwd=TXdsdGwrZVVScjNmVGFDbXRRdzlJZz09>

If you have difficulty launching the hyperlink, follow these steps.

1. Open your web browser and search ZOOM or enter www.zoom.us
2. Select "Join A Meeting" in the upper right corner of the website.
3. Enter the Meeting ID: 987 1847 0760 and click "Join".
4. Enter the Meeting Passcode: 370906 and click "Join".

For alternative audio participation:

1. Dial: 1 (929) 205-6099
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Those attendees who wish to speak before the Commission will need to appear by webcam and will be sworn in remotely.

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Thank you,

Commission Staff

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Corey Grenfell

Case No.: FEC 20-132

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the sworn complaint in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes**, and that there is **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes**. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on December 9, 2020, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On June 15, 2020, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a sworn complaint from Barbara Osthoff (“Complainant”), alleging that Corey Grenfell (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a 2020 candidate for Polk County Commission, District 1. Respondent’s Statement of Candidate form (“DS-DE 84”) was filed on January 15, 2020. (ROI Exhibit 3)¹ On June 10, 2020 Respondent informed his filing officer of his intent to withdraw his candidacy, however, Respondent failed to complete the withdrawal paperwork. (ROI Exhibit 1; ROI, p. 1, ¶1)

3. By letter dated August 3, 2020, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provisions:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2020 candidate for Polk County Commission, District 1, may have failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because he had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2020 M3 reporting period.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2020 candidate for Polk County Commission, District 1, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when he failed to file a report on the prescribed reporting date for the 2020 M3 reporting period.

¹ The Report of Investigation is referred to herein as “ROI.”

4. On January 15, 2020, Respondent acknowledged that he had been provided access to read the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. (ROI Exhibit 3) Additionally, Respondent's filing officer attested that she provided Respondent with Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the *Candidate & Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, as well as other relevant materials. (ROI Exhibit 4)

5. Respondent's 2020 M3 Report was due to be filed by April 10, 2020; however, Respondent failed to timely file the report or notify the filing officer that no report would be filed. See Compl. By emails dated April 1, 2020, and April 9, 2020, Respondent's filing officer notified Respondent that his report was due on April 10, 2020. (ROI Exhibit 6) By email dated April 13, 2020, and letter dated April 15, 2020, Respondent's filing officer notified Respondent that his report had not been received. (ROI Exhibits 7 & 8) The April 15, 2020 letter was confirmed delivered. (ROI Exhibit 8, page 2)

6. A subpoena was issued to Respondent's designated campaign depository to ascertain whether any financial activity occurred during the relevant reporting period, i.e., March 1, 2020 – March 31, 2020. (ROI Exhibit 5, page 3) Respondent's bank records do not show any reportable financial activity during the relevant reporting period. (ROI Exhibit 10, page 1)

7. Respondent was given multiple opportunities to respond to Commission staff's investigation, but failed to do so. (ROI Exhibit 11; ROI, p. 2, ¶¶10-12) As of October 20, 2020, Respondent had not filed a report or submitted a notice of no activity with regard to the 2020 M3 reporting period. (ROI Exhibit 9)

8. As it appears that Respondent had no financial activity, Respondent was required to notify the filing officer in writing that he would not be filing his 2020 M3 Report on the prescribed reporting date, but failed to do so. Thus, it does not appear that Respondent falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in his 2020 M3 Report as the report was waived due to a lack of reportable financial activity.

9. "Probable Cause" is defined as reasonable grounds of suspicion supported by circumstances sufficiently strong to warrant a cautious person in the belief that the person has committed the offense charged. *Schmitt v. State*, 590 So. 2d 404, 409 (Fla. 1991). Probable cause exists where the facts and circumstances, of which an [investigator] has reasonably trustworthy information, are sufficient in themselves for a reasonable man to reach the conclusion that an offense has been committed. *Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles v. Favino*, 667 So. 2d 305, 309 (Fla. 1st DCA 1995).

10. The facts set forth above show that Respondent was a 2020 candidate for Polk County Commission, District 1. Respondent failed to timely file his 2020 M3 Report or notify the filing officer that no report would be filed. It appears that Respondent had no financial activity during the relevant reporting period, and therefore, was required to notify the filing officer in writing that he would not be filing his 2020 M3 Report on the prescribed reporting date, but failed to do so. Thus, it does not appear that Respondent falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in his 2020 M3 Report as the report was waived due to a lack of reportable financial activity.

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes**, and find **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating the following:

Count 1:

On or about April 10, 2020, Corey Grenfell violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that he would not be filing his 2020 M3 Report.

Respectfully submitted on January 4, 2021.



Stephanie J. Cunningham
Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 7th day of January 2021.



Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Sections 106.07(7) and 106.19(1)(c), F.S.

Case Number: FEC 20-132

Respondent: Corey Grenfell

Sections 106.07(7) and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate or political committee that did not receive any contributions or make any expenditures during a reporting period to notify timely the filing officer, in writing, that no report is being filed or failure to file a campaign report to reflect financial activity.

Complainant: Barbara Osthoff, Assistant Polk County Supervisor of Elections (SOE)

Complaint Filed: June 15, 2020

Respondent Type:

- Candidate/Candidate's Treasurer
- PC/PC's Chairperson/PC's Treasurer

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent was a 2020 candidate for Polk County, County Commission, District 1; he failed to qualify. On June 10, 2020, the Assistant SOE emailed Respondent that the address he provided on the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository form (DS-DE 9) is not located within County Commission, District 1. Respondent replied by stating, "...I have been unable to pursue this campaign in any form and need to withdraw from this election." The Assistant SOE then instructed Respondent to provide a signed statement withdrawing from the campaign. There is no record Respondent provided a signed statement. Respondent was a first-time candidate. To review the withdrawal emails, refer to Exhibit 1.

2. Respondent's DS-DE 9 was filed on January 15, 2020. Respondent appointed himself as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 9, refer to Exhibit 2.

3. Respondent filed a Statement of Candidate with the SOE on January 15, 2020, in which he certified he had been provided access to read and understand Chapter 106, F.S. To review a copy of the Statement of Candidate, refer to Exhibit 3.

4. The Assistant SOE provided an Affidavit of Filing Officer; she affirmed Respondent was provided *A Compilation of The Election Laws of the State of Florida*, Chapter 104, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on January 17, 2020. To review the Affidavit of Filing Officer, refer to Exhibit 4.

5. The Assistant SOE sent an email to Respondent on February 10, 2020, attaching the *2020 Calendar of Reporting Dates* and a memo dated January 16, 2020, addressed to Respondent, regarding Campaign Treasurers Reporting Policy. The memo advised Respondent that all candidates and committees are required to file their campaign treasurer's reports using the procedures on the SOE's website, and they must file a signed paper copy of each report with the SOE. Respondent was also provided with a user identification number and password allowing him access to the Campaign Treasurer's Reporting on the SOE website. Respondent replied to the SOE's email the same day thanking them. To review the SOE emails and attachments, refer to Exhibit 5.

6. The Assistant SOE sent two emails to Respondent before the 2020 M3 report was due reminding him of the due date. To review the reminder emails, refer to Exhibit 6.

7. The Assistant SOE subsequently sent an email to Respondent notifying Respondent that he had not filed a campaign report for the following reporting period: 2020 M3. The email included reference to the filing date for the report. To review the failure to file email, refer to Exhibit 7.

8. On April 15, 2020, the Assistant SOE sent Respondent a letter with delivery confirmation stating that the following campaign report had not been filed: 2020 M3. The letter was mailed to Respondent at the address provided on the DS-DE 9, and it was confirmed delivered on April 17, 2020. To review the letter and delivery confirmation, refer to Exhibit 8.

II. Alleged Violation of Sections 106.07(7), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

9. I investigated whether Respondent violated these sections of the election laws either by not notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no report would be filed due to not receiving any contributions or making expenditures during the following reporting period or by not filing campaign report to reflect financial activity for the reporting period. To review a copy of Respondent's filing history, refer to Exhibit 9.

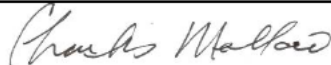
Report	Report Cover Period	Due Date	Report or Waiver Required	¹ Exhibit #
2020 M3	03/01– 03/31/20	04/10/20	Waiver	10

10. Respondent did not respond to the referral.

11. Respondent did not respond to a questionnaire-affidavit. Because the affidavit has not been returned, I am unable to ascertain whether he has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and/or the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*.

12. I attempted to contact Respondent on two occasions to give him an opportunity to discuss the allegations made in the referral. As of the date of this report, he has not returned my telephone calls. To review a copy of the phone log, refer to Exhibit 11.

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR:



DATE: December 9, 2020

¹ I subpoenaed Respondent's campaign account records from the designated campaign depository.

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Corey Grenfell -- FEC 20-132

LIST OF EXHIBITS	
Exhibits #s	Description of Exhibits
Exhibit 1	Withdrawal emails
Exhibit 2	DS-DE 9
Exhibit 3	Statement of Candidate
Exhibit 4	Affidavit of Filing Officer
Exhibit 5	SOE emails
Exhibit 6	Reminder emails
Exhibit 7	Correspondence
Exhibit 8	Letter and Delivery Confirmation
Exhibit 9	Filing History
Exhibit 10	Bank Statement
Exhibit 11	Phone Log

barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com

From: Corey <cgrenfell52@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 4:30 PM
To: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Subject: Re: Qualifying

Hello Mrs. Osthoff,

I apologize for my distance from these emails etc.

Recently with everything going on as well as before COVID-19 I have been unable to pursue this campaign in any form and need to withdraw from this election. Once again I apologize for the lack of communication.

Thank you for your understanding,
Corey Grenfell

On Wed, Jun 10, 2020 at 4:26 PM <barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com> wrote:

Mr. Grenfell, the week of qualifying we process papers filed with our office. In checking your Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for candidates you have filed for County Commission District 1. The address you have given 5416 Bloomfield Blvd., Lakeland, FL 33810 is not in County Commission District 1. Please Advise.

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera
Assistant Supervisor of Elections
Polk County, Florida

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From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 5:03 PM
To: 'Corey'
Subject: RE: Qualifying

Corey, I will need for you send me a signed statement withdrawing from the campaign. You may send it by email. It has been trying times lately. Thank you for contacting me, and if you need anything please contact me or our office.

Thanks, Barbara


Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

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**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**

(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

RECEIVED
LORI EDWARDS
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTION

20 JAN 15 PM 2:53

NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifying officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: Treasurer/Deputy Depository Office Party

2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last)

Corey M Grenfell

3. Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code)

5416 Bloomfield Blvd
Lakeland 33810

4. Telephone

(863) 944-0466

5. E-mail address

6. Office sought (include district, circuit, group number)

Polk County Commission District 1

7. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check if applicable:

My intent is to run as a Write-In candidate.

8. If a candidate for a partisan office, check block and fill in name of party as applicable: My intent is to run as a

Write-In No Party Affiliation Republican Party candidate.

9. I have appointed the following person to act as my Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

Corey M. Grenfell

11. Mailing Address

5416 Bloomfield Blvd

12. Telephone

(863) 944-0466

13. City

Lakeland

14. County

Polk

15. State

FL

16. Zip Code

33810

17. E-mail address

18. I have designated the following bank as my Primary Depository Secondary Depository

19. Name of Bank

Mid Florida Fed C.U.

20. Address

5540 Cypress Gardens Blvd

21. City

Winter Haven

22. County

Polk

23. State

FL

24. Zip Code

33884

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.

25. Date

1 / 15 / 2020

26. Signature of Candidate

X 

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block)

I, Corey Grenfell, do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer.

1-15-19

Date

X



Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer


**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE**

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

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I, Corey M. Grenfell,
candidate for the office of Polk County Commission Dist 1;

have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of
Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

X 
Signature of Candidate

1/15/2020
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).

Case No: FEC 20-132

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AFFIDAVIT OF FILING OFFICER
Case Number: FEC 20-132

STATE OF FLORIDA
County of Polk

Lori Edwards, being duly sworn, says:

1. This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge.
2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I am currently employed by Supervisor of Elections as Asst Supervisor of Elections
3. Please provide copies of the listed items from the following candidate's campaign file:
Corey Grenfell.

Check	ITEM
✓	The Statement of Candidate form for the 2020 campaign.
✓	Appointments of Treasurers and Designation of Campaign Depository form (Form DS-DE 9) for the 2020 campaign.
	Campaign treasurer's reports, waivers, and amendments for the 2020 campaign.
	Addendum requests and proof of compliance for the 2020 campaign.
	The candidate's and campaign treasurers' acknowledgment whereby candidates and treasurers declare, under penalties of perjury, electronically filing a CTR is same as signing the report under oath, and to have certified the correctness of the report in accordance with sections 106.07(5) or 106.29(2), Florida Statutes, as applicable; such as an Application and Acknowledgement of Electronic Filing Information form (if applicable).
✓	Form(s) for all campaigns whereby candidate acknowledges receipt of instructions and/or campaign materials.
	All checks issued by the candidate's campaign to your office (qualifying fee, maps, etc.). Please do <u>not</u> redact the bank routing and account numbers.

4. Please check each item provided to the candidate and list the date that the candidate was provided the item.

Check	ITEM	DATE
✓	<i>A Compilation of The Election Laws of the State of Florida</i>	1/17/20
✓	Chapter 104, <i>Florida Statutes</i>	1/17-20
✓	Chapter 106, <i>Florida Statutes</i>	1-17-20

	<i>Candidate & Campaign Treasurer Handbook</i> . Please provide revision date of publication. <u>10/3/19</u>	
	Other: ¹ <u>chapters 97, 104, 105, 106</u>	

5. Relative to Chapter 106, *Florida Statutes*, and the *Candidate & Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, please indicate how these publications are provided to the candidate.

- A candidate packet, or similar material, is given to the candidate. The candidate packet includes links to the Division of Elections' website, or our website, where these documents are available for review.
- Publications are provided on a CD or thumb/flash drive that is given to the candidate.
- Other, please explain. Printed Materials

6. Did your office² offer any candidate workshops, campaign skills or training seminars prior to the November 3, 2020, election? Yes or No. If yes, please list all workshops/training seminars that were attended by the candidate, along with the date of attendance. If a staff member attended for the candidate, list his/her name and position. If available, please attach a copy of any attendance sheets from the workshops/training seminars and if available, please provide a copy of the syllabus and outline or PowerPoint presentation for the workshops/seminars.

7. Does your office have any record of Corey Grenfell having sought elective office within your jurisdiction prior to the 2020 election? Yes or No. If yes, please list the previous office(s) he ran for, the date(s) of the election(s), and the result(s) of the election(s). If the candidate withdrew his candidacy for election, please indicate if the withdrawal was before or after qualifying.

¹ Any local publications relative to the Election laws that may have been provided by your office in lieu of the *Candidate & Campaign Treasurer Handbook* published by the Division of Elections. If your office published the item(s), please send a copy of the item(s) with the affidavit.

²If your County elections or ethics office offered candidate workshops/campaign skills or training seminars, please identify the office providing the workshops/seminars and provide copies of any notices that were sent to candidates within your jurisdiction.

8. Does your office have any record of Corey Grenfell having been named as a chairperson or campaign treasurer of a political committee (PC or PAC) or electioneering communications organization (ECO) within your jurisdiction? Yes or No. If yes, please list the name(s) of the committees.

9. Did you or any member of your staff have any conversations with Corey Grenfell concerning provisions of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, relative to filing timely campaign treasurer reports and/or waivers of reports, at any time during the 2020 campaign? Yes or No. If yes, please indicate whether the conversation was in person, in writing, or by telephone and the subject matter of the conversation. If applicable, please provide copies of records documenting the discussion.

Was given office Handbook with filing reports. also was sent email reminders before each report due.

I SWEAR OR AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Barbara Oethoff
Signature of Affiant

Print or type name of Affiant on line above.
Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 12th day of August, 2020.

Rachel Harris
Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida
Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public



Personally Known or Produced Identification
Type of Identification Produced: _____

Case investigator: CM

barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com

From: Corey <cgrenfell52@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 3:22 PM
To: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Subject: Re: Campaign Finance Info

Thank you Barbara!
The M1 Report is on the way!

Thank you,
Corey Grenfell

On Mon, Feb 10, 2020 at 2:26 PM <barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com> wrote:

Corey let me know when you get this, thanks.

Attached is your ID number and password to process Campaign Treasurer's reports. Also a copy of the reporting dates. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks, Barbara

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, *cera*
Assistant Supervisor of Elections
Polk County, Florida

250 S. Broadway Ave., Bartow



To: Corey Grenfell

From: Barbara Osthoff, Assistant Supervisor of Elections

Re: Campaign Treasurers Reporting Policy

Date: January 16, 2020

To ensure easier and quicker processing to campaign finance data, candidates and committees are required to file their campaign treasurer's report using our procedures on our web site.

Additionally, a printed paper copy of the report must be signed and filed in our office by the due date. These reports are then posted on the Polk County Supervisor of Elections web site. Your next report will be due by February 10, 2020.

Your ID is 152 and your password is 2020Grenfell to access the Campaign Treasurer's Reporting on the web. You will go to www.polkelections.com and to the right you will see Candidate and Committee Login.

If you should have any questions, or if we may assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me or our office.



2020 Calendar of Reporting Dates

Candidates, Political Committees, Electioneering Communication Organizations registered with the Polk County Supervisor of Elections.

Report Schedule

<u>Report Code</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
M12	12/01/19 – 12/31/19	01/10/20
M1	01/01/20 – 01/31/20	02/10/20
M2	02/01/20 – 02/29/20	03/10/20
M3	03/01/20 – 03/31/20	04/10/20
M4	04/01/20 – 04/30/20	05/11/20
M5	05/01/20 – 05/31/20	06/10/20

P1	06/01/20 – 06/12/20	06/19/20
P2	06/13/20 – 06/26/20	07/03/20
P3	06/27/20 – 07/10/20	07/17/20
P4	07/11/20 – 07/17/20	07/24/20
P5	07/18/20 – 07/24/20	07/31/20
P6	07/25/20 – 07/31/20	08/07/20
P7	08/01/20 – 08/13/20	08/14/20

G1	08/14/20 – 08/28/20	09/04/20
G2	08/29/20 – 09/11/20	09/18/20
G3	09/12/20 – 09/25/20	10/02/20
G4	09/26/20 – 10/02/20	10/09/20
G5	10/03/20 – 10/09/20	10/16/20
G6	10/10/20 – 10/16/20	10/23/20
G7	10/17/20 – 10/29/20	10/30/20

Termination Reports

<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>Report Code</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
After April Qualifying	TR	07/23/20
After June Qualifying	TR	09/10/20
Primary Election	TR	11/16/20
General Election	TR	02/01/21

barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com

From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 12:59 PM
To: Corey Grenfell; Lori Cunningham (lori.cunningham@earthlink.net); Lori Cunningham Treasurer (matt.bell@hbitax.com); electshirah@gmail.com; Sara Beth Reynolds (sarabethreynolds@me.com); Sara Beth Reynolds Treasurer (tmiller@millerlawfl.com); Libertarian Chair Russ Wood (jrwood281@gmail.com); Allison Brown; J. C. Martin Republican Party Chair (jc.martin@polkgop.org); John Velebir (jvelebir@att.net)
Subject: Campaign Treasurer Report

A reminder that your campaign treasurer's report is due in our office tomorrow by 5pm, or postmarked with the due date. If you mail your report, make sure you have gotten a receipt of mailing in case it gets lost in the mail.

Thanks, Barbara

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

Assistant Supervisor of Elections

Polk County, Florida

250 S. Broadway Ave., Bartow

70 Florida Citrus Blvd., Winter Haven

P.O. Box 1460

Bartow, FL 33831

(863) 534-5888

Fax: (863) 845-2719

Email: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com

Website: www.polkelections.com



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From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 11:10 AM
To: bitown1@gmail.com; Neil Combee (neil@neilcombee.com); Bill Braswell; William C. Braswell Treasurer (cathybraswell@hotmail.com); Debbie Hannifan; Debbie Hannifan Treasurer (onetrueemooon@gmail.com); trisha.m.floyd@gmail.com; Stacy Butterfield (stacy814@verizon.net); Stacy Butterfield Treasurer (felicity@ffhcpa.com); George Lindsey (georgelindsey3@gmail.com); Geroge Lindsey Treasurer (stacy@rentwithberkshire.com); Lori Edwards (Edwards2020@earthlink.net); Anita Sartin Carson (anita.s.carson@gmail.com); Anita Sartin Carson Treasurer (katyjeiffer@gmail.com); Marsha M. Faux (mshields001@tampabay.rr.com); Corey Grenfell; Lori Cunningham (lori.cunningham@earthlink.net); Lori Cunningham Treasurer (matt.bell@hbitax.com); jehall5409@yahoo.com; John Hall Treasurer (noreen@pacfm.net); Sara Beth Reynolds (sarabethreynolds@me.com); Sara Beth Reynolds Treasurer (tmiller@millerlawfl.com); Joe G. Tedder (joegtedder@gmail.com); Joe Tedder Treasurer (TraceydTedder@gmail.com); William Allen (allenforpolk@gmail.com); electshirah@gmail.com
Subject: M3 Campaign Treasurer's Report
Attachments: REMINDER FOR CAMPAIGN REPORTS.doc

Campaign Treasurer's report due by April 10, 2020. If you mail, please get a receipt of mailing in case it gets lost in the mail.

Stay safe,
Barbara

Regards,
Barbara Osthoff, cera
Assistant Supervisor of Elections
Polk County, Florida
250 S. Broadway Ave., Bartow
70 Florida Citrus Blvd., Winter Haven
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(863) 534-5888
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Website: www.polkelections.com



barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com

From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 10:02 AM
To: Corey Grenfell
Subject: Me Campaign Treasurer's Report

Your M3 campaign treasurer's report was due in our office Friday, April 10, 2020, or mailed with the due date. Please contact me as soon as possible in reference to this issue.

Thanks, Barbara

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

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Corey Grenfell
 5416 Bloomfield Bl
 Lakeland FL 33810

PS Form 3800, April 2015 PSN 7530-02-000-8047 See Reverse for Instructions

April 15, 2020

Corey Grenfell
 5416 Bloomfield Blvd.
 Lakeland, FL 33810

Dear Mr. Grenfell:

We have not received your M3 campaign treasurer's report due in our office by 5:00 p.m. or post marked by the Post Office for April 10, 2020.

Florida Statutes 106.07 (8)(b) provides that a fine shall be \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Upon receipt of the report referred to, you will be notified of the amount due. Such fines shall be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of notice of payment due. The payment must be paid from personal funds, not from the campaign account.

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report, we will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission.

We urge your immediate attention to this matter and if we may be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me or this office.

Sincerely,

Barbara Osthoff

BARBARA OSTHOFF
 Assistant Supervisor of Elections

P.O. Box 1460, Bartow, FL 33831
 PHONE: (863) 534-5888 Fax: (863) 845-2718
PolkElections.com

Para asistencia en Español, por favor de llamar al (863) 534-5888

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CANDIDATE: COREY M. GRENFELL

Office: County Commission District 1

Show only financial reports (Hides bio)

Contact Information

Address 5416 Bloomfield Blvd.
Lakeland, FL - 33810

Phone 863-944-0466

The following financial reports are available:

Report View Transactions	Monetary Contributions	In-Kind Contributions	Expenditures and Distributions
<u>M1</u> (1/1/2020 - 1/31/2020).	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>M2</u> (2/1/2020 - 2/29/2020).	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Candidate qualifying forms and miscellaneous documents



P.O. Box 8008
 Lakeland, FL 33802-8008
 (863) 688-3733 | Toll free (866) 913-3733

Account:

Statement: 03-01-2020 through 03-31-2020

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COREY M GRENFELL
 5416 BLOOMFIELD BLVD
 LAKELAND, FL 33810-8272



Annual Meeting Postponed

The 67th Annual Meeting of the Membership has been moved to Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. at 1551 Gary Road, Lakeland.

Update to Terms & Conditions

Please take note that effective July 1, 2020, the available amount of deposited funds by the first business day will increase. For a copy of our new account terms & conditions, visit a branch, call the Help Desk, or visit www.midflorida.com/terms-and-conditions.

Summary of Accounts:

Account	Ending Balance	YTD Div
Business Savings - Membership	100.00	0.00
Non-Profit Checking	100.00	0.00
Youth Savings	5.00	0.00
Total	\$205.00	\$0.00

Business Savings - Membership -

Trans Date	Eff Date	Description	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
03-01		Starting Balance			100.00

Savings Summary		
Total Deposits/Credits		0.00
Total Withdrawals/Debits		0.00

Summary of Overdraft and Returned Item Fees		
	Total for This Period	Total Year-to-Date
Total Overdraft Fees	0.00	0.00
Total Returned Item Fees	0.00	0.00

Non-profit Checking -

Trans Date	Eff Date	Description	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
03-01		Starting Balance			100.00

Checking Summary		
Total Deposits/Credits		0.00
Total Withdrawals/Debits		0.00

Summary of Overdraft and Returned Item Fees		
	Total for This Period	Total Year-to-Date
Total Overdraft Fees	0.00	0.00
Total Returned Item Fees	0.00	0.00

Youth Savings -

Trans Date	Eff Date	Description	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
03-01		Starting Balance			5.00

Account:

Statement: 03-01-2020 through 03-31-2020

Page 2 of 2

Savings Summary

Total Deposits/Credits		0.00
Total Withdrawals/Debits		0.00

Summary of Overdraft and Returned Item Fees

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Total Returned Item Fees	0.00	0.00

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 20-132**

Respondent: Corey Grenfell

Complainant: Lori Edwards, Polk County Supervisor of Elections (PCSOE)

1. **Date and time:** 10/20/2020; 01:17 p.m.
Name: Respondent
Phone #: (863) 944-0466
Summary: I called Respondent. The call immediately transferred to a voicemail for phone number (863) 944-0466. I left message stating who I was, who I am with, referencing FEC 20-132 and to please call me back at his earliest convenience at (850) 922-4539. There is no email to follow-up phone call.
Memo to File? No
Entered by: CM

2. **Date and time:** 10/22/2020; 11:51 a.m.
Name: Respondent
Phone #: (863) 944-0466
Summary I called Respondent. The call immediately transferred to a voicemail for phone number (863) 944-0466. I left message stating who I was, who I am with, referencing FEC 20-132 and to please call me back at his earliest convenience at (850) 922-4539 or he could send a response via email to charles.mellow@myfloridalegal.com. There is no email to follow-up phone call.
Memo to File? No
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August 3, 2020

Corey Grenfell
5416 Bloomfield Blvd.
Lakeland, FL 33810

RE: Case No.: FEC 20-132; Respondent: Corey Grenfell

Dear Mr. Grenfell:

On June 15, 2020, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws. I have reviewed the complaint and find that it contains one or more **legally sufficient allegations**. The Commission staff will investigate the following alleged violations:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2020 candidate for Polk County Commission, District 1, may have failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because he had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2020 M3 reporting period.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2020 candidate for Polk County Commission, District 1, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when he failed to file a report on the prescribed reporting date for the 2020 M3 reporting period.

When we conclude the investigation, a copy of the Report of Investigation (ROI) will be mailed to you at the above address. Based on the results of the investigation, a staff attorney will prepare and present a written Staff Recommendation (SR) to the Commission as to whether there is probable cause to charge you, the Respondent, with violating Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will have an opportunity to respond to both the ROI and the SR. The Commission will then hold one or more hearings to determine whether the alleged violations occurred and, if so, the amount of the fine to be imposed upon you. Notice will be mailed to you and the Complainant at least 14 days before any hearing at which your case is to be considered.

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(i)3., Florida Statutes, the Commission may enter into a consent agreement with a Respondent to settle a complaint prior to a finding of probable cause. If you are

Corey Grenfell
August 3, 2020
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interested in entering negotiations directed towards reaching a consent agreement to resolve this matter, please contact the Commission and request to speak with the attorney assigned to this case.

Please note that all documents related to this matter will be mailed to the above address unless you notify us of a new address.

Pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes, are confidential until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause, unless the Respondent files a written waiver of confidentiality with the Commission. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the Complainant or the Respondent.

Should you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the commission staff can discuss this case with him or her.

For additional information, please refer to the "Frequently Asked Questions" section of the Commission's website.

If you have additional questions, please contact **Charles Mellow**, the investigator assigned to this case, by phone at (850) 922-4539 or by email at Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com.

Sincerely,



Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

TV/med

COMPLAINT

The Commission's records and proceedings in a case are confidential until the Commission rules on probable cause. A copy of the complaint will be provided to the person against whom it is brought.

1. PERSON BRINGING COMPLAINT:

Name: Barbara Osthoff, Asst. Supervisor of Elec. Work Phone: (____) _____
Address: P.O. Box 1460 Home Phone: (____) _____
City: Bartow County: Polk State: FL Zip Code: 33831

2. PERSON AGAINST WHOM COMPLAINT IS BROUGHT:

If you intend to name more than one individual or entity, please file multiple complaints. A person can be an individual, political committee, political party, electioneering communication organization, club, corporation, partnership, company, association, or other type of organization.

Name of individual or entity: Corey Grenfell
Address: 5416 Bloomfield Blvd. Phone: (____) _____
City: Lakeland County: Polk State: FL Zip Code: 33810

If individual is a candidate, list the office or position sought: County Comm. Dist. 1

Have you filed this complaint with the State Attorney's Office? (check one) Yes No
Are you alleging a violation of Section 104.271(2), F.S.? (check one) Yes No
Are you alleging a violation of Section 104.2715, F.S.? (check one) Yes No

3. ALLEGED VIOLATION(S):

Please attach a **concise** narrative statement in which you list the provisions of the Florida Election Code that you believe the person named above may have violated. The Commission has jurisdiction only to investigate provisions of Chapter 104 and Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. Please include the following items as part of your attached statement:

- The facts and actions that you believe support the violations you allege;
- The names/telephone numbers of persons whom you believe may be witnesses to the facts;
- A copy or picture of any political advertisement(s) you mention in your statement;
- A copy of each document you mention in your statement;
- An explanation of why you believe information you reference from websites is relevant; and
- Any other evidence supporting your allegations.

SEE REVERSE SIDE OF DOCUMENT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any person who files a complaint while knowing that the allegations are false or without merit commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in Sections 775.082 and 775.083, Florida Statutes.

4. **OATH:**

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF Polk

I swear or affirm that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Barbara Ochoy

Original Signature of Person Bringing Complaint

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of

June, 20 20

Rachel Harris

Signature of Officer Authorized to Administer Oaths or Notary Public



(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Personally Known Or Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced _____

5. **IMPROPERLY COMPLETED COMPLAINT FORMS MAY BE RETURNED:**

- You **MUST** submit this completed complaint form in order to file a complaint.
- You **MUST** complete **ALL FOUR** of the above sections of this form. **DO NOT** leave any blanks.
- You **MUST** submit the **ORIGINAL** complaint form. Copied/faxed/mailed forms are returned.
- Each complaint can only be filed against **ONE PERSON** or **ENTITY**. If you wish to file against multiple parties, you **MUST** submit a complaint form **for each party** you wish to file against.
- **DO NOT** submit multiple complaint forms with one set of attachments applying to multiple complaints. You **MUST** attach **copies** of attachments **to each complaint** to which they apply.
- **MAKE SURE** the alleged violation(s) of **Chapters 104 or 106** occurred within the last **2 years**.
- **MAKE SURE** your complaint is **sworn** and there is **no defect** to the **notarization** in Section 4.



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Memo to: Florida Elections Commission

From: Supervisor of Elections Office
Polk County, Florida

Subject: Corey Grenfell , Failure to file reports

Date: June 4, 2020

Pursuant to 106.07(8)(d) reporting a candidate that has not file a Campaign Treasurer's report since his M2 report that was filed on March 10, 2020. He has ignored all communication since that day: Phone calls, emails and certified letter.

P.O. Box 1460, Bartow, FL 33831
PHONE: (863) 534-5888 Fax: (863) 845-2718

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April 15, 2020

Corey Grenfell
5416 Bloomfield Blvd.
Lakeland, FL 33810

Dear Mr. Grenfell:

We have not received your M3 campaign treasurer's report due in our office by 5:00 p.m. or post marked by the Post Office for April 10, 2020.

Florida Statutes 106.07 (8)(b) provides that a fine shall be \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Upon receipt of the report referred to, you will be notified of the amount due. Such fines shall be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of notice of payment due. The payment must be paid from personal funds, not from the campaign account.

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report, we will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission.

We urge your immediate attention to this matter and if we may be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me or this office.

Sincerely,

BARBARA OSTHOFF
Assistant Supervisor of Elections

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From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 4:35 PM
To: Corey Grenfell
Subject: Report

Trying to contact you one more time. We have called you many times, and your voice mail is full, sent emails to you to contact our office in regards to the delinquent report. We have sent a certified letter to you also, advising this is a serious matter. Please contact me at once in reference your late report.

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

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From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 10:02 AM
To: Corey Grenfell
Subject: Me Campaign Treasurer's Report

Your M3 campaign treasurer's report was due in our office Friday, April 10, 2020, or mailed with the due date. Please contact me as soon as possible in reference to this issue.

Thanks, Barbara

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

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From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 12:59 PM
To: Corey Grenfell; Lori Cunningham (lori.cunningham@earthlink.net); Lori Cunningham Treasurer (matt.bell@hbitax.com); electshirah@gmail.com; Sara Beth Reynolds (sarabethreynolds@me.com); Sara Beth Reynolds Treasurer (tmiller@millerlawfl.com); Libertarian Chair Russ Wood (jrwood281@gmail.com); Allison Brown; J. C. Martin Republican Party Chair (jc.martin@polkgop.org); John Velebir (jvelebir@att.net)
Subject: Campaign Treasurer Report

A reminder that your campaign treasurer's report is due in our office tomorrow by 5pm, or postmarked with the due date. If you mail your report, make sure you have gotten a receipt of mailing in case it gets lost in the mail.

Thanks, Barbara

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

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From: barbaraosthoff@polkelections.com
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To: bitown1@gmail.com; Neil Combee (neil@neilcombee.com); Bill Braswell; William C. Braswell Treasurer (cathybraswell@hotmail.com); Debbie Hannifan; Debbie Hannifan Treasurer (onetruemoon@gmail.com); trisha.m.floyd@gmail.com; Stacy Butterfield (stacy814@verizon.net); Stacy Butterfield Treasurer (felicity@ffhcpa.com); George Lindsey (georgelindsey3@gmail.com); Geroge Lindsey Treasurer (stacy@rentwithberkshire.com); Lori Edwards (Edwards2020@earthlink.net); Anita Sartin Carson (anita.s.carson@gmail.com); Anita Sartin Carson Treasurer (katyjpeiffer@gmail.com); Marsha M. Faux (mshields001@tampabay.rr.com); Corey Grenfell; Lori Cunningham (lori.cunningham@earthlink.net); Lori Cunningham Treasurer (matt.bell@hbitax.com); jehall5409@yahoo.com; John Hall Treasurer (noreen@pacfm.net); Sara Beth Reynolds (sarabethreynolds@me.com); Sara Beth Reynolds Treasurer (tmiller@millerlawfl.com); Joe G. Tedder (joegtedder@gmail.com); Joe Tedder Treasurer (TraceydTedder@gmail.com); William Allen (allenforpolk@gmail.com); electshirah@gmail.com
Subject: M3 Campaign Treasurer's Report
Attachments: REMINDER FOR CAMPAIGN REPORTS.doc

Campaign Treasurer's report due by April 10, 2020. If you mail, please get a receipt of mailing in case it gets lost in the mail.

Stay safe,
Barbara

Regards,

Barbara Osthoff, cera

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