### STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

#### In Re: Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup

TO: Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup 20903 NW 14th PL,# 146 Miami Gardens, FL 33169 Case No.: FEC 20-367

Miami-Dade County SOE 2700 NW 87th Avenue Miami, FL 33172

## NOTICE OF VIRTUAL HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE)

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.

Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of your right to participate in the hearing. Continuances will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

This hearing will be conducted pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, which governs your participation as follows:

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.

If you are an Appellant, and you have requested a hearing, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have 5 minutes to present your case to the Commission.

Please be advised that both confidential and public cases are scheduled to be heard by the Florida Elections Commission on this date. As an Appellant, Respondent or Complainant in one case, you will *not* be permitted to attend the hearings on other confidential cases.

The Commission will electronically record the meeting. Although the Commission's recording is considered the official record of the hearing, the Respondent may provide, at his own expense, a certified court reporter to also record the hearing.

If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs at (850) 922-4539 or by mail at 107 West Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at least 5 days before the hearing.

#### See further instructions on the reverse side.

<u>*Tim Vaccaro*</u> Executive Director Florida Elections Commission May 10, 2021 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

If this is a hearing to consider **an appeal from an automatic fine**, the Filing Officer has imposed a fine on you for your failure to file a campaign treasurer's report on the designated due date and, by filing an appeal, you have asked the Commission to consider either (1) that the report was in fact timely filed; or (2) that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure to file the report timely. You are required to prove your case. If the Commission finds that the report was filed timely or that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure, it may waive the fine, in whole or in part. The Commission may reduce a fine after considering the factors in Section 106.265, Florida Statutes. If the Commission finds that the report was not timely filed and there were no unusual circumstances, the fine will be upheld.

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.



# **Florida Elections Commission**

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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 <u>www.gotowebinar.com</u>.
  - 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.

While this is a public meeting and advanced registration is not mandatory, <u>we ask that if you plan</u> to attend via Video Conference or Teleconference, that you notify our office in advance. This will give the Commission the opportunity to organize the agenda as efficiently as possible. It will be the goal of the Commission to hear cases in which parties are present, first, in order to reduce the standby time of the parties in attendance.

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** 

# FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION CASE REPORT Case Number: FEC 20-367

# NAME: ERNICE L. ELIE-STURRUP

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 09/09/2020

**DATE REPORT DUE:** 08/14/2020 (2020 P7)

**DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT:** 08/18/2020

CANDIDATE [X]STATE [ ]PC [ ]DISTRICT [ ]CCE [ ]COUNTY [ ]POLITICAL PARTY [ ]CITY [X]

DATE FILING OFFICER RECEIVED REPORT: 08/18/2020

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 4

AMOUNT OF FINE: \$97.24

Fine Based on: ( ) Number of Days ( ) 25% of Receipts (X) 25% of Expenditures

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$200.00

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$388.95** 

**DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION:** 08/17/2020 (Failure to File Email)

**SUMMARY:** Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup was a candidate for Majorca Isles CDD, Seat 1, in the 2020 elections. Ms. Elie-Sturrup was her own treasurer.

Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup is appealing the fine claiming unusual circumstances. According to Ms. Elie-Sturrup, on August 14, 2020, she had to respond to a family emergency regarding her son in Fort Valley Georgia. She states that she filed the report as soon as she returned home.

- The 2020 P7 Original Report covers the period from 08/01/20-08/13/20; it was due on 08/14/20.
- The 2020 P7 Original Report shows that it was submitted on 08/18/20.
- Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup reported receiving 1 contribution while making 1 expenditure.
- The Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections office provided an email that pertains to Ms. Elie-Sturrup's 2020 P7 report. On August 18, 2020, Ms. Elie-Sturrup stated "she entered the data but failed to follow through with the submission" and inquired about waiving the fine. In response, Miami-Dade staff advised her to file an appeal with the FEC.

PRIOR CASES: None.

Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup 20903 NW 14<sup>th</sup> PL #148 Miami Gardens, Florida 33169 786-738-3276 Eelie03@hotmail.com September 4, 2020

Florida Elections Commission 107 West Gaines Street Collins Building, Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050

Dear Florida Elections Commission:

In accordance with Florida Statute 106.07(8) (b), I am requesting an appeal for failure to submit my 20P7 Campaign Treasurer's Report on time. I was approximately 4 days late filing. This failure to submit this report (Waiver Report) was due to unusual circumstances. On August 14, 2020, I had to respond to an emergency in Fort Valley Georgia to ensure the safety of my son, Ronald J. Lee Jr who lives and attend college there. I had every intention on filing this report on time, like the others in the past but due to this incident, I failed to do so. Immediately upon my return home, I submitted the report (Waiver Report).

Please note that I am the candidate and treasure. I hope that you can accept my excuse as an error due to unusual circumstance and moving forward trust that I will ensure my compliance. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup

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Elections 2700 NW 87th Avenue Miami, Florida 33172 T 305-499-8683 F 305-499-8547 TTY: 305-499-8480

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August 27, 2020

Mr. Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup 20903 NW 14<sup>th</sup> PL #148 Miami Gardens, FL 33169

> NOTICE OF LATE FILING – FINE DUE – \$97.24 Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup 20P7 Campaign Treasurer's Report Due Date: 8/14/2020 Period Covered: 8/1/2020 – 8/13/2020

Dear Mr. Elie-Sturrup,

The 20P7 Campaign Treasurer's Report filed with our office was submitted on 8/18/2020 (#1226968). Since this report was not filed by the appropriate filing date, a fine is being assessed for each late day pursuant to Florida Statute 106.07(8)(b).

As such, for reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500.00 per day for each late day. These fines are not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. Therefore, since the report was 4 days late, the fine is \$97.24, which is 25% of your Total Expenditures of \$388.95. Said fine must be received by our office at 2700 NW 87th Avenue, Miami, FL 33172 within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice. The check should be made payable to Miami-Dade County paid only from candidate's personal funds.

Florida Statute 106.07(8)(b) goes on to say that the fine may be appealed or disputed based upon unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file by the designated due date. A hearing before the Florida Elections Commission may be requested, which shall have the authority to waive the fine in part or whole. Any such request must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Florida Elections Commission within 20 days of your receipt of this notice. To request an appeal, please write to the Florida Elections Commission, 107 West Gaines Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050. Our office must also be notified of the intent to bring this matter before the Commission.

I urge you to promptly resolve this matter. If not, in accordance with Florida Statute 106.07(8)(d), we will be required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of this late filing and failure to pay the imposed fine.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Candidate Services Unit at 305-499-8410.

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#### Calendar of Reporting Dates for 2020 Miami-Dade County Candidates, Political Committees, Electioneering Communication Organizations, and Independent Expenditure Organizations

#### Monthly Reports:

Reports shall be filed on the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the end of a calendar month from the time the campaign treasurer is appointed, except that if the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the end of a calendar month occurs on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the report shall be filed on the next following day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. [F.S. 106.07(1)]

Report	From	То	Due	Notes and the second
18M12	12-01-18	12-31-18	01-10-19	Monthiy Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M01	01-01-19	01-31-19	02-11-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M02	02-01-19	02-28-19	03-11-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M03	03-01-19	03-31-19	04-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M04	04-01-19	04-30-19	05-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M05	05-01-19	05-31-19	06-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M06	06-01-19	06-30-19	07-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M07	07-01-19	07-31-19	08-12-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M08	08-01-19	08-31-19	09-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M09	09-01-19	09-30-19	10-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M10	10-01-19	10-31-19	11-12-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M11	11-01-19	11-30-19	12-10-19	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
19M12	12-01-19	12-31-19	01-10-20	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
20M01	01-01-20	01-31-20	02-10-20	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
20M02	02-01-20	02-29-20	03-10-20	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
20M03	03-01-20	03-31-20	04-10-20	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
20M04	04-01-20	04-30-20	05-11-20	Monthly Report for all Candidates and Committees
20M05	05-01-20	05-31-20	06-10-20	Monthly Report for all Candidates (except Judicial Candidates, see 20TQJ) and Committees

#### **Reports Prior to the Primary and General Elections:**

On the 60<sup>th</sup> day immediately preceding the primary election and biweekly on each Friday thereafter through and including the 4<sup>th</sup> day immediately preceding the general election, with additional reports due on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> day before the primary election and the general election. [F.S. 106.07(1)(b) & F.S. 106.0703 (1)(c)]

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Report	From	То	Due	Notes
20P1	06-01-20	06-12-20	06-19-20	Report due on the 60 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20P2	06-13-20	06-26-20	07-03-20	Report due on the 46 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20P3	06-27-20	07-10-20	07-17-20	Report due on the 32 <sup>nd</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20P4	07-11-20	07-17-20	07-24-20	Report due on the 25 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20P5	07-18-20	07-24-20	07-31-20	Report due on the 18 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20P6	07-25-20	07-31-20	08-07-20	Report due on the 11 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20P7	08-01-20	08-13-20	08-14-20	Report due on the 4 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the Primary Election
20075	Account open date 08-13-20	08-14-20	Report due on the 4th day prior to the Primary Election for Party Executive Committee Candidates	
20P7E		08-13-20	08-14-20	who chose to open a Campaign Account [F.S. 106.0702(1)]

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Report		То	Due	Notes
20G1	08-14-20	08-28-20	09-04-20	Report due on the 60 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the General Election
20G2	08-29-20	09-11-20	09-18-20	Report due on the 46 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the General Election
20G3	09-12-20	09-25-20	10-02-20	Report due on the 32 <sup>nd</sup> day prior to the General Election
20G4	09-26-20	10-02-20	10-09-20	Report due on the 25 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the General Election
20G5	10-03-20	10-09-20	10-16-20	Report due on the 18th day prior to the General Election
20G6	10-10-20	10-16-20	10-23-20	Report due on the 11 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the General Election
20G7	10-17-20	10-29-20	10-30-20	Report due on the 4 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the General Election

#### Termination Reports (only applies to Candidates):

Within 90 days after having withdrawn, become unopposed, been eliminated or elected to office, each candidate shall dispose of all funds in the campaign account and file a termination report. [F.S. 106.141(1)]

Report	From	То	Due	Notes
20TQJ	04-01-20	07-23-20	07-23-20	For candidates whose qualifying ended 04-24-20 and whose name will not appear on the ballot
20TQC	06-01-20	09-07-20	09-07-20	For candidates whose qualifying ended 06-09-20 and whose name will not appear on the ballot
20TQS	06-01-20	09-10-20	09-10-20	For candidates whose qualifying ended 06-12-20 and whose name will not appear on the ballot
20TRF	08-14-20	11-16-20	11-16-20	For candidates who appear on Primary Election and will not appear on General Election ballot
20TRG	10-30-20	02-01-21	02-01-21	For candidates who appear on General Election ballot

Monthly Reports (only applies to Political Committees, Electioneering Communication Organizations, and Independent Expenditure Organizations): Reports shall be filed on the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the end of a calendar month, except that if the 10<sup>th</sup> day following the end of a calendar month occurs on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the report shall be filed on the next following day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. (<u>F.S. 106.07(1)</u> & <u>F.S. 106.07(3)</u>(<u>1)</u>(a)]

Report	From	То	Due	Notes	
20M11	10-30-20	11-30-20	12-10-20	Monthly Report for Committees	
20M12	12-01-20	12-31-20	01-11-21	Monthly Report for Committees	

#### Additional Information:

Campaign Treasurer's Reports must be filed with the Miami-Dade Supervisor of Elections online at <a href="http://www.miamidade.gov/elections/campaignreports">http://www.miamidade.gov/elections/campaignreports</a>. Online submissions must be received no later than midnight of the day designated, per <a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/elections/campaignreports">F.S. 106.0705(3)</a>. Reports not filed by midnight of the day designated are late and are subject to a fine in accordance with <a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/elections/campaignreports">F.S. 106.0705(3)</a>. Reports not filed by midnight of the day designated are late and are subject to a fine in accordance with <a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/elections/campaignreports">F.S. 106.0705(3)</a>.

You may view the Miami-Dade County Candidate Qualifying Handbook online at http://www.miamidade.gov/elections/candidate-qualifying-handbook.asp and the Political Committee Handbook at http://www.miamidade.gov/elections/committee-handbook.asp for additional information. You may also contact the Candidate Services Unit by telephone at 305-499-8410 or email at campaigns@miamidade.gov.

#### Miami-Dade County Elections Department Guidelines to Successful Campaign Treasurer's Reports (Per Chapter 106, Florida Statutes)

#### **Contributions**

- 1. Contributions entered must fall within the time period covered by the report.
- 2. All Contributions must have complete itemized information including the date, name, complete address, contribution type, occupation (if over \$100) and dollar amount.
- Occupation needs to be specific. Do not use "Businessman/ woman, Business Owner, Salesman/woman, Sales," etc. Examples of acceptable occupations Include Car Sales, Printing Shop Owner, Bank Manager, Attorney, etc.
- 4. There is no contribution limit to a political committee.
- 5. The maximum cash contribution per election is \$50. A cashier's check is considered as cash,
- The contribution limit to a candidate is \$1,000 per election. For reporting purposes, a credit card, debit card, money order, or Paypal contribution is considered a check.
- Contributions collected via Paypal or a third-party vendor to collect contributions must be reported in full (transaction fees are not deducted from the contribution amount, but rather reflected as an expenditure).
- 8. The person signing the check is the contributor, except for a company check that is a "Business" entity.
- 9. In-kind contributions are subject to contribution limitations (\$1,000 per election, per contributor).
- 10. Candidates cannot accept contributions from an Electioneering Communications Organization (ECO).

#### **Expenditures**

- 1. Expenditures entered must fall within the time period covered by the report.
- All expenditures must have complete itemized information including the date, name, complete address, purpose of expenditure, and dollar amount.
- 3. A reimbursement from the campaign account is allowable directly to an individual/organization that has incurred approved expenses on behalf of the campaign. The report must include the full name, full address, specific purpose, and amount of reimbursement.
- Campaign accounts may not provide a direct payment to the credit card of an individual/organization as a form of reimbursement.
- Poll workers should be paid with a campaign check and each poll worker paid should be itemized.
- Bank fees and fees assessed by Paypal or a third-party vendor to collect contributions must be reported as expenditures (not deducted from the contribution amount).
- 7. ECOs are limited to electioneering communications and may not make contributions to candidates or political parties.

#### Petty Cash

- 1. The Petty Cash Withdrawn limit is \$500 per calendar quarter prior to the end of qualifying. Thereafter, \$100 per week.
- It shall be spent only in amounts less than \$100 and only for office supplies, transportation expenses and other necessities.
- 3. Petty Cash may not be used for time, space, or services from communications media.

- 4. The Petty Cash Withdrawn must be reported in the period that it was withdrawn from the bank.
- 5. The Petty Cash Spent must also be reported in the period that it was spent. Petty Cash Spent does not impact the Total Expenditures for the period, only when it is withdrawn.
- 6. Petty Cash Withdrawn and Petty Cash Spent must equal at the end of the campaign.

#### **Notices**

- 1. You will be notified of any deficiencies or violations.
- 2. Typical violations include late filing, fine due, and incomplete information on a campaign report.
- 3. Following these guidelines will reduce notices sent to you and thus the number of amendment reports that will need to be filed.

#### Amending a Report

- 1. To make any changes to a submitted report, click on the "amend" button of the Original Report to create an Amendment Report.
- In the Amendment Report, first click on the type of transaction to amend (i.e. "Enter Contributions", etc):
  - $\succ$  To add new item, add a new sequence.
  - To amend existing item, click "Amend Item from Orig Report" to view list of all items previously submitted. Click on desired sequence, enter edits, and click submit. This will display two transactions (one to "delete" original item and one to "add" new item).
  - ➤ To delete existing item, click "Amend Item from Orig Report", click on desired sequence, and just click submit. This will display two transactions (one to "delete" original item and one to "add" new item). Delete the "add" sequence, leaving only the "delete" sequence.

#### <u>Fines</u>

- 1. Fines assessed to candidates must be paid from candidate's personal funds.
- Fines assessed to political parties, political action committees, electioneering communication organizations, and "independent expenditures over \$5,000" are to be paid from their campaign account.
- 3. Fines must be paid to the filing officer within 20 days after receipt of the notice of payment due, unless an appeal is made to the Florida Elections Commission within 20 days after receipt of the notice of payment due.
- If fine was appealed to the Florida Elections Commission, and the fine is upheld, payment is due to the Elections Department as stated in the Final Order.
- 5. Reference Florida Statute 106.07(8)(b) for fine amounts.

#### **Termination Report**

- At the end of the campaign, or when closing out a political committee, the "Total Contributions to Date" and the "Total Expenditures to Date" on the Termination Report must equal; and, the campaign account must be closed.
- 2. Prior to closing the campaign account, any remaining funds must be disposed of according to F.S. 106.141 (for candidates) and F.S. 106.03 (for political committees).

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# Innocent, Vanessa (Elections)

From:	Castro, Wilfred (Elections)
Sent:	Tuesday, August 18, 2020 7:17 PM
То:	Elie-Sturrup, Ernice [HOTMAIL]; Campaign Finance (Elections)
Cc:	Innocent, Vanessa (Elections); Washington, Yolanda V. (Elections)
Subject:	RE: Failure to File Reminder for 20P7 Report Due 08-14-2020

Good evening Ms. Elie-Sturrup,

Unfortunately, we do not have authority to waive any fines.

However, you may appeal the fine with the Florida Elections Commission.

Once you receive your notice of late filing letter, the fine may be appealed or disputed based upon unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file by the designated due date. A hearing before the Florida Elections Commission may be requested, which shall have the authority to waive the fine in part or whole. Any such request must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Florida Elections Commission within 20 days of your receipt of the notice.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

### Wilfred "Will" Castro, MPA

Elections Campaign Qualifying Coordinator Miami-Dade County Elections Department 2700 NW 87th Avenue Miami, FL 33172 Direct: 305-499-8376

From: E Elie <eelie03@hotmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 7:08 PM To: Campaign Finance (Elections) <campaigns@miamidade.gov> Subject: RE: Failure to File Reminder for 20P7 Report Due 08-14-2020

EMAIL RECEIVED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCE.

Greetings,

I had entered the data but failed to follow through with the submission. It was an human error. Is there any way to have the \$500.00 per day late fee waived?

Respectfully,

Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Miami-Dade CF Team Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 3:24 PM To: Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup Subject: Failure to File Reminder for 20P7 Report Due 08-14-2020

Good afternoon,

Our records indicate that we have not received your 20P7 Report that was due on 08/14/20 and which covers any campaign finance activity from 08/01/20 to 08/13/20.

Please note that, per state law, you are incurring late fines for each day that the report is filed after the deadline and the fines are set at \$500.00 per day (F.S. 106.07).

Should you require additional information, please feel free to contact the Candidate Services Unit via email at <u>campaigns@miamidade.gov</u> or via telephone at 305-499-8410.

Regards,

Miami-Dade Elections Department Government Affairs and Media Relations Division Campaign Services Unit Office: 305-499-8410 <u>campaigns@miamidade.gov</u> <u>www.miamidade.gov</u> "Delivering Excellence Every Day"

	CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY									
(1)	Ernice L. Elie-Sturrup	OFFICE USE ONLY								
	Name									
(2)	Address Protected Address (number and street)	Submitted on:								
	,	8/18/2020 19:05:08 (eastern)								
-	City, State, Zip Code									
	Check here if address has changed	(3) ID Number: 2420								
(4)	Check appropriate box(es):									
	Candidate Office Sought: Majorca Isles	CDD Seat 1								
	<ul> <li>Political Committee (PC)</li> <li>Electioneering Communications Org. (ECO)</li> </ul>	Check here if PC or ECO has disbanded								
	Party Executive Committee (PTY)	Check here if PTY has disbanded								
2	Independent Expenditure (IE) (also covers an individual making electioneering communications)	Check here if no other IE or EC reports will be filed								
		Identifiers								
Cove	r Period: From <u>8</u> / <u>1</u> / <u>2020</u> To	8/ <u>13/2020</u> Report Type: <u>20P7</u>								
Original      Amendment      Special Election Report										
(6)	Contributions This Report	(7) Expenditures This Report								
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(9)	TOTAL Monetary Contributions To Date	(10) TOTAL Monetary Expenditures To Date								
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	(11) Certification It is a first degree misdemeanor for any person to falsify a public record (ss. 839.13, F.S.)									
	I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct, and complete:									
I	/pe name) Individual (only for IE 🔲 Treasurer 🗌 Deputy Treasurer	(Type name)								
	electioneering comm.)									
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	gnature	Signature								

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# CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name	Ernice L. Elie-Stur	rup		(2	2) I.D. Numbe	r2	420
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(5) Date	Date Full Name			(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
(6) Sequence	(Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address &	Co	ontributor	Contribution	In-kind		
Number	City, State, Zip Code		Occupation	Туре	Description	Amendment	Amount
8/4/2020 / /	Fowler, Timothy 21011 NW 14th PL Unit 6 Miami Gardens, Fl 33169		security contractor	CH			\$200.00
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Date         Full Name         Purpose           (6)         (Last, Suffix, First, Middle)         (add office sought if           Sequence         Street Address &         contribution to a	
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# Filer Report Summary

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 Ernice L, Elie-Sturrup

 Office
 Community Development District - Majorca Isles, Seat 1

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Report Date	Report Period	Submitted/Received	Original	Amendment Seq.	Days Late	Cash	Loans	Total Contributions	In Kind	Expenditures	Distributions	Total Expenditures Distributions Transfers & PCW	Fine	Appealed	Fine Paid	FEC Case Number
6/19/2020	20P1	6/19/2020	Original	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
7/3/2020	20P2	7/3/2020	Original	0	0	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$450,00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0,00		\$0.00	
7/17/2020	20P3	7/17/2020	Original	0	0	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
7/24/2020	20P4	7/24/2020	Original	0	0	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
7/31/2020	20P5	8/3/2020	Original	0	3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0,00	\$0,00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
8/7/2020	20P6	8/9/2020	Original	0	2	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
8/14/2020	20P7	8/18/2020	Original	0	4	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$388.95	\$0.00	\$388.95	\$97.24		\$0.00	
9/4/2020	20G1	9/4/2020	Original	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
9/18/2020	20G2	9/18/2020	Original	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
Totals						\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750,00	\$0.00	\$488.95	\$0,00	\$488.95	\$97.24		\$0.00	
Balance									\$261.05							

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Name	Date	County Staff Person	Report Period	Notes
Ernice L. Elie- Sturrup	6/16/2020	Vanessa Innocent		Ms. Ernice Elie-Sturrup called because she needs to open a campaign account because people in the community have started giving her money because they want to support her campaign. I told her that she was not supposed to accept contributions before filing the DS-DE 9 with us and opening the campaign account. I told her I would enquire and let her know. I reached out to the division of elections and got an email stating that since she has already accepted contributions, she should file the DSDE 9 and open a bank account post haste or return the contributions. She will also need to start reporting beginning with the 2020 P1 report. I called Ms. Sturrup back and explained to her that she needs to submit the DS-DE 9 to our office asap before opening the account; I told her she also needed to file Form DS-DE 84 and MD-ED 10. I told her where she could download the forms and told her she could email them to us at qualifyingdocuments@miamidade.gov and that once we receive the forms we would stamp them and let her know when the copy is available for her to print and take to the bank. I told her she would have to do all the reports that are due before the Primary & before the General Election and the Termination Report. I told her where the reporting schedule was available on our website. She said she would email us the forms.

# **Conversations - Financial Filer Management System**

# Innocent, Vanessa (Elections)

From:	Qualifying Documents (Elections)						
Sent:	Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:31 PM						
То:	E Elie						
Cc:	Qualifying Documents (Elections); Castro, Wilfred (Elections); Washington, Yolanda						
	(Elections)						
Subject:	RE: Majorca Isles CDD Seat 1 Candidate Account						
Importance:	High						

Good afternoon,

Thank you for submitting the revised documents. As I mentioned over the phone earlier this week, your first report is due on June 19, 2020.

Per Sections 12-17 and 12-21 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, campaign finance reports must be submitted through the Miami-Dade Elections Department website at <u>www.miamidade.gov/elections/campaignreports</u>. To sign-in, please use ID Number and the default password is "When submitting your campaign reports, you will be required to use an electronic signature pin. Your temporary signature pin is "Miami" and your campaign treasurer's signature pin is "Miami". As a security measure, please consider updating the password once you have successfully logged in and resetting your pins to unique four digit signature pins.

Reports must be received no later than midnight of the day designated. Any report that is received electronically after the designated date will be considered late and shall be subject to a fine in accordance with Florida Statute 106.07. As such, please refer to the reporting schedule (https://www.miamidade.gov/elections/Library/qualifying-handbook/reporting-dates.pdf) to make sure that you do not miss any of the upcoming deadlines. You will have to file all the 20P1 through 20P7 Reports; the 20G1 through 20P7 Reports and the 20TRG Report.

For information on how to submit the reports, please refer to our online <u>Electronic Filing of Campaign</u> <u>Treasurer's Reports handbook</u>. We are taking this opportunity to also provide you with a resource entitled "<u>Guidelines to Successful Campaign Treasurer's Reports</u>." Utilizing these tips will help reduce errors and the need for additional reporting on your end.

Within 90 days after having withdrawn, becoming unopposed, being eliminated or elected to office, each candidate shall dispose of all funds in the campaign account, close the campaign bank account and file a termination report in accordance with Florida Statute 106.141.

If you have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact the Candidate Services Unit at 305-499-8410.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Innocent Elections Department (305) 499-8342

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APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN		RER	2020 JUN 18 PH 12:00								
DEPOSITORY	FOR CANDIDATES				HILL IT						
(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)					ELECTIO	NS DEPAI	RTMERT				
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)											
NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifying officer before opening the campaign account.							OFFICE	E USE	ONLY		
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2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last) ERNICE L. ELIE-STURRUP			<ol> <li>Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code)</li> <li>20903 NW 14TH PLACE #148</li> </ol>								
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	EELIE03@HOTMAIL	COM									
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MAJORCA ISLES CDD, SEAT 1			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											
9. I have appointed the following person to act as my 🔀 Campaign Treasurer 🔲 Deputy Treasurer											
10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer ERNICE L. ELIE-STURRUP											
11. Mailing Address			12. Telephone								
20903 NW 14TH PL #148			( 786 ) 738-3276 Ite 16. Zip Code 17. E-mail address								
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18. I have designated the following bank as my X Primary Depository Secondary Depository											
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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 TARE TRUE.											
25. Date 26. Signature of Candidate											
JUNE 17, 2020											
27. Treasur	27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and pheck the appropriate block)										
I. ERNICE L. ELIE-STURRUP , do hereby accept the appointment											
(Please Print or Type Name)											
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