

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**In Re: Edwin Ferguson**

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**Case No.: FEC 17-311**

**TO:** Edwin Ferguson  
PO Box 8212  
West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections  
240 South Military Trail  
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

**NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE)**

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **November 28, 2017 at 8:30 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **412 Knott Building, Pat Thomas Committee Room, 404 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.**

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.**

*Amy McKeever Toman*  
Executive Director  
Florida Elections Commission  
November 13, 2017

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**  
**CASE REPORT**  
**Case Number: FEC-17-311**

**NAME:** EDWIN FERGUSON

**DATE APPEAL RECEIVED:** 10/10/17

**DATE REPORT DUE:** 09/11/17 (2017 M8)

**DATE OF HAND DELIVERED RECEIPT:** 09/21/17

**NUMBER OF DAYS LATE:** 7<sup>1</sup>

**AMOUNT OF FINE:** \$493.75

**FINE BASED ON:** (..) NUMBER OF DAYS      (X) 25% OF RECEIPTS      (..) 25% OF EXPENDITURES

**TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD:** \$1,975.00

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD:** \$1,124.86

**DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION:** 09/22/17

**SUMMARY:** Edwin Ferguson is a candidate for Palm Beach County School Board, District 7 in the 2018 elections. Sean Williams is his treasurer.

Edwin Ferguson is appealing the fine claiming that he was unable to timely file due to Hurricane Irma. According to Mr. Ferguson, he was unaware of the local extended deadline of 3 days and presumed that the deadline for the filing would be somewhere between the two-week extension that the State of Florida provided.

- The 2017 M8 Original Report covers the period from 08/01/17-08/31/17; it was due on 09/11/17.
- The 2017 M8 Original Report shows that it was hand delivered on 09/21/17.
- Edwin Ferguson reported receiving 10 contributions, while making 4 expenditures.
- The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections office does not have any notes that pertain to Edwin Ferguson's 2017 M8 report.

**PRIOR CASES:** None.

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<sup>1</sup> The report is 7 days late from the extended deadline of September 14, 2017.

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STATE OF FLORIDA  
ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Edwin Ferguson  
P.O. Box 8212  
West Palm Beach, FL 33407  
(561) 840-1846

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

October 2, 2017

**RE: Appeal of Late Fee for Campaign Treasurer's Report for August 2017**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is a formal request that the late filing fee for the August 2017 Campaign Treasurer's Report be waived. The waiver is requested due to the extenuating circumstances caused by Hurricane Irma that ultimately prevented me from hand delivering the original signed report to the offices of the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections.

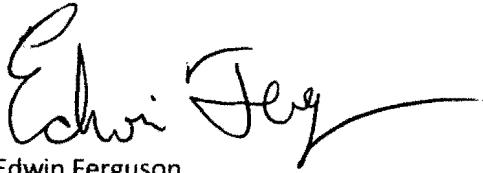
As the attached report from the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections report shows, the August 2017 report was completed and electronically submitted on September 6, 2017. As you may recall, September 6, 2017 was the Wednesday prior to the projected arrival of Irma that Saturday/Sunday. Starting Thursday, September 7, 2017, all/most business activities were deferred in preparation for Irma. Personally, my family decided to leave Florida via airplane until the following week (per the request of my wife who was just over three months pregnant at the time). Upon my return to Florida on the afternoon of Thursday, September 14, 2017 (via the first available flight that i could secure following the landfall of Irma in Florida), operations of my business and my treasurer's business were still closed due to there being electrical and/or internet service issues in our respective areas. Additionally, travel on the road was difficult on some of the roadways due the damage caused by Hurricane Irma. (While it is true that the original signed report could have been mailed, our procedure is to hand deliver the report in order to insure it is not lost or delayed in the mail.)

Also, please note that we did not receive any clear notice from the Elections Office that the deadline was extended only 3 days, likely due to persons at the Elections Office busying themselves tending to their own preparations for the hurricane. Normally, we receive an email each month stating the date of the filing deadline. As such, it was surprising that we didn't receive an email regarding the three-day filing extension. In light of not receiving an email regarding the short extension, my treasurer presumed that the deadline for the filing of the report in question would be somewhere between the two week extension that the State of Florida provided for filings that were due during the time immediately following Irma's landfall in Florida, and the three month extension to the Federal deadline that the IRS afforded.

As stated above, both dealing with the preparation and aftermath of Irma made it very impractical for us to sign and turn in the printed Treasurer's report by the deadline. As reflected in the attached report, my campaign has timely filed all prior reports and fully intends on doing so in the future. It is my full belief that this letter provides all evidence needed to appeal the fee. As such, there is no request for an in person appearance before the commission.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edwin Ferguson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Edwin Ferguson

cc: Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections  
240 South Military Trail  
West Palm Beach, FL 33415  
Attn: Candidate Department

Sean Williams, Treasurer  
405 N. Rosemary Ave  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

# Campaign finance reporting for Edwin Ferguson

Election Cycle selected: 2018 Election Cycle

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**Starting Balances** - contributions: \$0.00, expenditures: \$0.00

	Report	Due	Submitted	Accepted	Expend.	Monetary Contrib.	In-Kind	Documents
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Contributions	2017-M6	7/10/2017	7/6/2017	7/10/2017	\$4,859.48	\$8,826.00	\$0.00	
Expenditures	2017-M7	8/10/2017	8/3/2017	8/10/2017	\$2,155.06	\$3,375.00	\$0.00	
Fund Transfers	2017-M8	9/11/2017	9/6/2017	9/21/2017	\$1,124.86	\$1,975.00	\$0.00	
View								
Contributions	2017-M9	10/10/2017			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Create Waiver
Expenditures	2017-M10	11/13/2017			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Create Waiver
Fund Transfers								
<b>Totals:</b>					<b>\$8,139.40</b>	<b>\$14,176.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	

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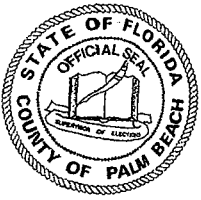
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# Palm Beach County

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SUSAN BUCHER  
Supervisor of Elections

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240 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL  
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33415  
POST OFFICE BOX 22309  
WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33416

TELEPHONE: (561) 656-6200  
FAX NUMBER: (561) 656-6287  
WEBSITE: [www.pbcelections.org](http://www.pbcelections.org)

September 22, 2017

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

Please be advised our office received your Campaign Treasurer's Report on September 21, 2017 that was due originally on September 11, 2017 by 5:00 p.m., in which the due date was extended to September 14, 2017 due to Hurricane Irma.

Per Section 106.07 (8), F.S. states that a fine must be imposed if a Campaign Treasurer's Report is late. The fine consists of \$50.00 per day for the first 3 days late, and thereafter, \$500.00 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. Based on your report being seven (7) days late using the date of **September 14, 2017**, you are hereby assessed a fine totaling **Four-hundred and ninety-three dollars and 75 cents (\$493.75)**.

Section 106.07 (8) (b), F.S. require that you pay this fine within (20) days of your receipt of this Notice, unless you decide to appeal to the Florida Elections Commission in Tallahassee. If such an appeal is made, it must be done within twenty (20) days and you must notify this office in writing, of your intention to bring this matter before the Commission.

Please note that the fine must be paid from **personal funds**. The check should be made payable to PBC Supervisor of Elections and returned to this office. I am enclosing a self-addressed envelope for your convenience.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office and ask for the Candidate Department.

Thank you,

Susan Bucher **Four-hundred and ninety-three dollars and 75 cents (\$493.75)**.

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Enclosure

CRR # 7014 2120 0003 4168 3091



Alexia Goods &lt;alexia@pbcelections.org&gt;

## Report Reminder (M-8 REPORT)

4 messages

Alexia Goods &lt;alexia@pbcelections.org&gt;

Fri, Sep 1, 2017 at 11:44 AM

To: Alex Garcia <agarcia903@comcast.net>, Alex Garcia <gsicregarcia@gmail.com>, Debra Lynne Robinson <reelectdebrarobinson@gmail.com>, Debra Lynne Robinson <rabrownconsulting@gmail.com>, Edwin Ferguson <electedwinferguson@gmail.com>, Edwin Ferguson <sean@westpalmaccounting.com>, Emmanuel G Morel <emorelmedia@gmail.com>, Erica Whitfield <ericazwhitfield@gmail.com>, Erica Whitfield <rbagatell@shutts.com>, Greg Weiss <greggweiss@hotmail.com>, Greg Weiss <kim.leebove@gmail.com>, Jon E Mille <ericmemille@aol.com>, Karen Brill <Brill4pbcschools@aol.com>, Karen Brill <scubastew@gmail.com>, Leonard Hanser <Leonardhanser@gmail.com>, Leonard Hanser <roger@rukincpa.com>, Leslie J Gibbs <JGibbsMarriott@aol.com>, Leslie J Gibbs <RGibbs6789@gmail.com>, Lloyd Comiter <comiterforcountycourt@gmail.com>, Lloyd Comiter <kim.leebove.@gmail.com>, Lori B Berman <lori@loriberman.com>, Marcia Andrews <andrewsmarcia@bellsouth.net>, Melissa McKinlay <votemckinlay@gmail.com>, Melissa McKinlay <tymclass@aol.com>, Piaget Peppi Hendrix <peppihendrix@gmail.com>, Sylvia Sharps <sylvia.sharps@yahoo.com>, Tyron Hanna <thriveforachange@gmail.com>, Tyron Hanna <Psmith@plsfinancialinc.com>, Alexander Freeman <afree4060@outlook.com>, "Blue, Sylvia - Committee for a Better Riviera" <leeblue@bellsouth.net>, "Burgess,Donald - Leadership PAC" <chamber@palmbeaches.org>, Citizens for Common Sense <johnr.smith@comcast.net>, "Domb, Alexander" <alecdomb@gmail.com>, Florida Strong <eric.shabo@gmail.com>, J Alexandre Chanoine <J.AlexandreChanoine@gmail.com>, "Kaiser, David - City Watch PAC" <DKaiser52@aol.com>, "Klimek, Cheryl Carpenter -Citizens for Common Sense" <CHERYLPR@aol.com>, "Nelson, Michael" <ESI33414@gmail.com>, PBC School Administrator's Association <swearir21@aol.com>, "Sloser, Michael - Committee for a Better Riviera Beach" <michaelsloser@gmail.com>, "Wilburn, Bridget" <bridgetcwilburn@gmail.com>

Good afternoon,

Please be advised your **Campaign Treasurer's Report or Waiver of Report** is due by **September 11, 2017**.

In addition your report is to be submitted online via C-Finance and the original **signed** Summary Page is to be sent to our office. Also make certain if you are mailing your report that the envelope is postmarked by or on the due date. If not your report will be considered late and subject to a fine. (F.S.106.07)

If you have any questions, please call our Candidate Department.

**Please disregard this notice if you have already filed your signed report with our office.**

Thank you.

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*Alexia Goods*

PBC Supervisor of Elections

Elections Specialist/Candidate Department

Phone: 561/656-6200/Fax: 561/656-6220

alexia@pbcelections.org



**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF ELECTIONS  
CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY**

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS  
ALFRED W. BROWN  
SEP 21 PM 3:31  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL

(1) Edwin Ferguson  
Name  
**COPY**  
(2) Post Office Box 8212  
Address (number and street)  
West Palm Beach, FL 33407  
City, State, Zip Code

**OFFICE USE ONLY**  
*09-21-17*  
*Hand delivered*

CHECK IF ADDRESS HAS CHANGED (3) ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(4) Check appropriate box(es):  
 Candidate (office sought): School Board, Dist. 7  
 Political Committee  CHECK IF PC HAS DISBANDED  
 Committee of Continuous Existence  CHECK IF CCE HAS DISBANDED  
 Party Executive Committee  CHECK IF NO OTHER ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATION REPORTS WILL BE FILED  
 Electioneering Communication

**(5) REPORT IDENTIFIERS**

Cover Period: From 8 / 1 / 2017 To 8 / 31 / 2017 Report Type M8  
 Original  Amendment  Special Election Report  Independent Expenditure Report

**(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT**

Cash & Checks \$ 1,975.00

Loans \$ 0.00

Total Monetary \$ 1,975.00

In-Kind \$ 0.00

**(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT**

Monetary Expenditures \$ 1,124.86

Transfers to Office Account \$ 0.00

Total Monetary \$ 1,124.86

**(8) Other Distributions**  
\$ 0.00

**(9) TOTAL Monetary Contributions To Date**  
\$ 14,176.00

**(10) TOTAL Monetary Expenditures To Date**  
\$ 8,139.40

**(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.

(Type name) Sean Williams

Individual (only for electioneering commun.)  Treasurer  Deputy Treasurer

*[Signature]*  
Signature

I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct, and complete.

(Type name) Edwin Ferguson

Candidate  Chairperson (only for PC, PTY & electioneering commun. organization)

*[Signature]*  
Signature

CFID: 7656

## CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name Edwin Ferguson

(2) I.D. Number \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Cover Period 8 / 1 / 2017 through 8 / 31 / 2017

(4) Page 1 of 2

(5) Date	(6) Sequence Number	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
			Type	Occupation				
8 / 3 / 17	1	Darrell Thomas 9595 Park Lane Plantation, FL 33324	I	IT Manager	CAS			\$75.00
8 / 3 / 17	2	Law Offices of Charles G White PA 150 East Palmetto Road Suite 500 Boca Raton, FL 33432	B	Legal	CAS			\$250.00
8 / 6 / 17	3	Darnell Whitney 379 Oakland Madison, AL 35758	I	Product Quality Mana	CAS			\$50.00
8 / 17 / 17	4	Demond L Allen 2548 Maniki Drive Riviera Beach, FL 33407	I	Transfer Station Ope	CAS			\$100.00
8 / 17 / 17	5	Margarita Crown PO Box 775 Dania, FL 33004	I	Law Enforceme nt	CHE			\$500.00
8 / 22 / 17	6	The Skier Law Firm 625 N Flagler Drive West Palm Beach, FL 33401	B	Legal	CHE			\$250.00
8 / 26 / 17	7	Tarryn Brennon 67 Meadow Lane Nanuet, NY 10954	I	Attorney	CHE			\$200.00
8 / 28 / 17	8	Peggy M Brennon 127 Hollow Branch Xing Ormond Beach, FL 32174	I	Retired	CHE			\$200.00

## CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

(1) Name Edwin Ferguson

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(3) Cover Period 8 / 1 / 2017 through 8 / 31 / 2017

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(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation				
8 / 28 / 17	Steven E Beleford Sr 4128 Blue Bill Pass Tallahassee, FL 32303	I	Retired	CHE			\$100.00
9							
8 / 31 / 17	David C Prather PA 1919 N Flagler Drive Suite 200 West Palm Beach, FL 33407	B	Legal	CHE			\$250.00
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## CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

(1) Name Edwin Ferguson

(2) I.D. Number \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Cover Period 8 / 1 / 2017 through 8 / 31 / 2017

(4) Page 1 of 1

(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Purpose (add office sought if contribution to a candidate)	(9) Expenditure Type	(10) Amendment	(11) Amount
(6) Sequence Number					
8 / 1 / 17	Singleton Consulting 12291 78th Place North West Palm Beach, FL 33412	Consulting	MON		\$750.00
1					
8 / 2 / 17	QVIC 10 Corporate Dr Boston, MA 01803	Merchant account fees	MON		\$99.86
2					
8 / 10 / 17	Williams Accounting Services 405 N Rosemary Ave West Palm Beach, FL 33401	Accounting services	MON		\$100.00
3					
8 / 30 / 17	Kvimedia Photoshoot 1 South Orange Ave Orlando, FL 32801	Advertising & Marketing	MON		\$175.00
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Edwin Ferguson

2018 Election Cycle

School Board, Dist. 7

## Candidate Finance Report Summary

Report		Num	Contributions		Loans	Expenditures	
Submitted	Period		Monetary	In-Kind		Num	Amount
07/06/2017	<u>2017-M6</u>	23	\$3,826.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	8	\$4,859.48
08/03/2017	<u>2017-M7</u>	15	\$3,375.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	12	\$2,155.06
09/06/2017	<u>2017-M8</u>	10	\$1,975.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	4	\$1,124.86
10/04/2017	<u>2017-M9</u>	3	\$225.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	5	\$1,843.27
Totals (4 reports)			\$9,401.80	\$0.00	\$5,000.00		\$9,982.67

- Contributions as Excel (CSV)
- Expenditures as Excel (CSV)
- FundTransfers as Excel (CSV)
- Distributions as Excel (CSV)

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION  
PHONE LOG  
Case No.: FEC**

**Respondent: Edwin Ferguson**

**Complainant: n/a**

1. **Date and time:** 10/10/17; 3:25pm

**Name:** Alexia Goods, West Palm Beach County SOE's Office

**Phone #:** 561-656-6200

**Summary:** Ms. Goods returned my call regarding the fine imposed against Mr. Ferguson. I advised her that Mr. Ferguson appealed the fine imposed for the late report originally due on September 11, 2017 but extended to September 14, 2017 due to Hurricane Irma. The report at issue was not filed until September 21, 2017.

When asked, Ms. Goods stated that her office extended the deadline for the September 11 report until the 14<sup>th</sup> due to the hurricane. Ms. Goods stated that her office did not send any notices to the candidates as the extension was done verbally.

**Memo to File?** No

**Entered by:** DMalphurs

2. **Date and time:**

**Name:**

**Phone #:**

**Summary:**

**Memo to File?** No

**Entered by:**

3. **Date and time:**

**Name:**

**Phone #:**

**Summary:**

**Memo to File?** No

**Entered by:**

4. **Date and time:**

**Name:**

**Phone #:**

**Summary:**

**Memo to File?** No

**Entered by:**

5. **Date and time:**

**Name:**

**Phone #:**

**Summary:**

**Memo to File?** No

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 17-1  
(Emergency Management/Elections – Hurricane Irma)**

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2017, Governor Rick Scott issued Executive Order 17-235, declaring a state of emergency as a result of the threat posed to the State of Florida due to storm conditions forecast as a result of Hurricane Irma;

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2017, Governor Rick Scott issued Executive Order 17-236, authorizing, among other things, the Secretary of State to modify, amend, or suspend any deadline imposed pursuant to Chapters 97 through 106, Florida Statutes, to the extent those deadlines cannot be complied with by any county or candidate due to the emergency declared in Executive Order 17-235;

WHEREAS, on Sunday, September 10, 2017, Hurricane Irma initially made landfall in the Florida Keys as a Category 4 hurricane and then made a second landfall, hitting Florida's southwest coast as a Category 3 hurricane, before traveling north up the entire length of the Florida peninsula;

WHEREAS, the damage caused by Hurricane Irma is widespread throughout Florida, including, among other things, power outages affecting millions of Floridians;

WHEREAS, electronically filed campaign finance reports were due at the State, County and/or Municipal level on September 11, 2017, pursuant to chapter 106, Florida Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEN DETZNER as Florida Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Executive Order Number 17-236, Section 6, the Florida

Elections Emergency Act, Sections 101.731-101.74, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Emergency Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Based on the foregoing, I declare the circumstances resulting from Hurricane Irma have affected candidate and political entities from being able to comply with the campaign finance reports due to the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, on September 11, 2017, pursuant to chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. I, therefore, hereby extend the deadline for all campaign finance reports due to the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, on Monday, September 11, 2017. The new deadline for filing all State campaign finance reports to the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, is midnight (Eastern Time), Friday, September 22, 2017.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 15th day of September 2017.

KEN DETZNER, SECRETARY OF STATE  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RECEIVED  
2017 SEP 15 PM 6:41  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA