## STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

# In Re: Rodney Miles Kernan

Case No.: FEC 16-635

TO: Rodney Miles Kernan P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923 Kelly Ingram 3231 Biscayne Drive Merritt Island, FL 32953

# **NOTICE OF HEARING (CONSENT ORDER)**

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, August 16, 2017 at 8:30 am, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room 110-S, 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:

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### See further instructions on the reverse side.

# <u>Amy McKeever Toman</u>

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission August 1, 2017 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

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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.

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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.

# STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

# Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

v.

Agency Case No.: FEC 16-635 F.O. No.: FOFEC

Rodney Miles Kernan, Respondent.

### **CONSENT FINAL ORDER**

Respondent, Rodney Miles Kernan, and the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) agree that this Consent Order resolves all of the issues between the parties in this case. The parties jointly stipulate to the following facts, conclusions of law, and order.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On October 28, 2016, a complaint was filed with the Commission alleging that Respondent violated Florida's election laws.

2. On May 31, 2017, the Commission entered an Order of Probable Cause finding there was probable cause to charge the Respondent with 1 count of violating Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes.

3. Respondent has expressed a desire to enter into negotiations directed toward reaching a consent agreement.

4. Respondent and staff stipulate to the following facts:

a. Respondent was a candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, in the 2016 election.

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b. Respondent accepted a contribution in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08, Florida Statutes.

c. Respondent returned the excessive contribution, which exceeded the contribution limits by \$500, to the donor 24 days after having accepted it.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

5. The Commission has jurisdiction over the parties to and subject matter of this cause, pursuant to Section 106.26, Florida Statutes.

6. The Commission staff and the Respondent stipulate that staff can prove the facts in paragraph four above by clear and convincing evidence and to the Commission's ability to impose a civil penalty in this case.

#### ORDER

7. The Respondent and the staff of the Commission have entered into this Consent Order freely and voluntarily.

8. The Respondent shall bear his own attorney's fees and costs that are in any way associated with this case.

9. The Commission will consider this Consent Order at its next available meeting.

10. Respondent voluntarily waives the right to any further proceedings under Chapters 104, 106, and 120, Florida Statutes, and the right to appeal this Consent Order.

11. This Consent Order is enforceable under Sections 106.265 and 120.69, Florida Statutes. Respondent expressly waives any venue privileges and agrees that if enforcement of this Consent Order is necessary, venue shall be in Leon County, Florida, and Respondent shall pay all fees and costs associated with enforcement.

12. Payment of the civil penalty by cashier's check, or money order, good for at least

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120 days, or attorney trust account check, is a condition precedent to the Commission's consideration of this Consent Order.

#### PENALTY

WHEREFORE, based upon the foregoing facts and conclusions of law, the Commission finds that the Respondent violated Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes, on one occasion, and imposes a civil penalty in the amount of \$200.

Therefore, it is

**ORDERED** that the Respondent shall remit to the Commission a civil penalty in the amount of **\$200**, inclusive of fees and costs. The civil penalty shall be paid cashier's check or money order, good for at least 120 days, or attorney trust account check. The civil penalty shall be payable to the Florida Elections Commission and sent to 107 West Gaines Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-1050.

Respondent hereby agrees and consents to the terms of this Consent Order on June 8, 2017.

Rodn<del>øy M</del>iles Kernan P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923

Commission staff hereby agrees and consents to the terms of this Consent Order on

June 14 , 2017.

Cole H. K.K.

Cole H. Kekelis Assistant General Counsel Florida Elections Commission 107 West Gaines Street The Collins Building, Suite 224 Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050

Approved by the Florida Elections Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting held

on \_\_\_\_\_, in Tallahassee, Florida.

M. Scott Thomas, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to: Cole H. Kekelis, Assistant General Counsel Rodney Miles Kernan, Respondent Kelly Ingram, Complainant

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# Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

v.

#### Case No.: FEC 16-635

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Rodney Miles Kernan, Respondent.

### **ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 17, 2017, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On April 6, 2017, 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 May 6, 2015, Rodney Miles Kernan violated Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes, when he accepted a contribution in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08, Florida Statutes.

The Commission finds that there is **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating Sections 106.1439(1), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Florida Elections Commission on May 17, 2017.

M. Scott Thomas, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to: Cole H. Kekelis, Assistant General Counsel Rodney Miles Kernan, Respondent Kelly Ingram, 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 <u>consent order</u> where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violation(s)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 <u>informal hearing</u> held before the Commission, if you <u>do not</u> 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 <u>formal hearing</u> 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 righthand 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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Malphurs. The address of the Commission Clerk is 107 W. Gaines Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050. The telephone number is (850) 922-4539. The Clerk will provide you with a copy of Chapter 28-106, *Florida Administrative Code*, and other applicable rules upon request. No mediation is available.

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TO: Rodney Miles Kernan P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923

Kelly Ingram 3231 Biscayne Drive Merritt Island, FL 32953

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## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION**

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the complaint in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.19(1)(a)**, Florida Statutes, and **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.1439(1)**, and **106.19(1)(c)**, Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on March 17, 2017, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On October 28, 2016, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a sworn complaint alleging that Rodney Miles Kernan ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2. An Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form ("DS-DE 9") appointing Respondent as his own treasurer was filed with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office on March 5, 2015. (ROI Exhibit 1)<sup>1</sup>

3. By letter dated February 16, 2017, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provision:

Section 106.1439(1), Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, failed to include an accurate disclaimer in an electioneering communication, as alleged in the complaint.

Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, accepted one or more contributions in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08, Florida Statutes, as alleged in the complaint.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in one or more campaign reports, as alleged in the complaint.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Report of Investigation is referred to herein as "ROI."

4. On March 5, 2015, Respondent filed a Statement of Candidate form ("DS-DE 84") with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office in which he asserted that he had been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. (ROI Exhibit 15)

5. In an email dated March 6, 2015, the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office notified Respondent that they had processed the forms he submitted to announce his candidacy. The email referenced attached documents, including the *Election Laws* and the *Campaign Treasurer Handbook*. The email warned Respondent that, "It is important for you to review this material and become familiar with the Candidate Handbook and Chapter 106 of the Election Laws. These important documents are also available on the Florida Division of Elections website..." (Attachment A)

6. In an affidavit dated March 15, 2017, Respondent attested that he possessed a copy of and had read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook.* (ROI Exhibit 9, page 2)

## Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes:

7. Complainant alleged that Respondent accepted an excessive contribution from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC.<sup>2</sup> Complainant noted that two contributions from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, with a cumulative total of \$1,500.00 were reported in Respondent's 2015 M4 and 2015 M5 campaign treasurer's reports.

8. According to Respondent's 2015 M4 Report, he accepted a contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC on April 7, 2015. (ROI Exhibit 10)

9. According to Respondent's 2015 M5 Report, he accepted a contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, on May 6, 2015. (ROI Exhibit 11)

10. In response to the complaint, Respondent acknowledged acceptance of the two contributions from his law firm. Respondent asserted that, "After writing a first check of \$500.00, I inadvertently wrote the second check for \$1000.00 by mistake." Respondent added that once he realized the error, he corrected the error within the same reporting period by writing a check back to Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. (ROI Exhibit 6)

11. According to Respondent's 2015 M5 Report, an expenditure in the amount of \$500.00 was made to Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, "to correct over contribution by error" on May 30, 2015, which was 24 days after the contribution was received by Respondent.<sup>3</sup> (ROI Exhibit 12)

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, was described as a "law firm" on Respondent's campaign treasurer's reports. In his response to the complaint, Respondent asserted that he is the sole attorney for that entity. (ROI Exhibit 6 and Exhibit 10)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Rule 2B-1.003(2)(q), F.A.C, designates Section 106.19(1)(a), F.S., as a minor violation if the excessive contribution is returned to the donor within 14 days of receipt. The amount of the fine imposed if the contribution is returned within 14 days of receipt is 200.

12. Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes, prohibits a candidate from accepting a contribution in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08, Florida Statutes.

13. Section 106.08(1)(a)2., Florida Statutes, prohibits a person from contributing in excess of \$1,000.00 to a candidate for county court judge. This limit on contributions is referenced at page 24 of the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*. (Attachment B)

14. Based on the information above, Respondent has not disputed the fact that he accepted a contribution in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08(1)(a)2., Florida Statutes, and did not return it to the donor until 24 days had elapsed.

# Sections 106.1439(1), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

15. Complainant alleged that Respondent misrepresented that a mailer was paid for by an electioneering communication organization ("ECO") rather than himself by including a false disclaimer on the mailer attributing it to an ECO.

16. Complainant provided a copy of the electioneering communication at issue in this complaint. On one side, it states, "KELLY INGRAM ARRESTED,"<sup>4</sup> followed by a disclaimer, which reads, "Paid electioneering communication paid for by Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates 274 East Eau Gallie Causeway #255 Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937." An indicium near the address indicates that All Service Graphics, Inc., may have been responsible for the publication and distribution of the mailer. (ROI Exhibit 2)

17. Complainant noted that the campaign treasurer's reports for the ECO, Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates ("BCQC"), did not list any expenditures to All Service Graphics, Inc. The investigation reviewed BCQC's campaign finance activity and did not find any reported expenditures to All Service Graphics, Inc. (ROI Exhibit 4)

18. Complainant alleged that the mailer was distributed at the end of August 2016, and noted that Respondent's 2016 P7 Report included an expenditure of \$10,839.27 to All Service Graphics, Inc., on August 24, 2016. The investigation confirmed that Respondent's 2016 P7 Report did include that expenditure. (ROI Exhibit 5)

19. Respondent did not dispute that he made expenditures to All Service Graphics, Inc., for his campaign material<sup>5</sup>, but Respondent denied that he paid for the subject electioneering communication. In response to the complaint, Respondent stated, "The fact that I use All Service Graphics (ASG) for my printing and mailing does not align or connect me with the ECO." In an affidavit dated March 15, 2017, Respondent attested that he is not and has never been an officer of BCQC, that he did not make a monetary contribution to BCQC and did not pay for the mailer at issue. (ROI Exhibit 6 and Exhibit 9)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Kelly Ingram was an opponent of Respondent in the election campaign and is the Complainant in this case.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The investigation found that Respondent made numerous other expenditures to All Service Graphics, Inc., during his campaign for purposes such as "Walking Cards," "Postcards," "Printed Petition Forms," "Letterhead," and "Mailing Services & Postage." (Attachment C)

20. The investigation obtained records from All Service Graphics, Inc., relating to the mailer at issue. An invoice dated August 24, 2016, revealed that BCQC was billed \$4,947.22 for printing, mailing services, and postage of the mailer. In addition, check #98 was issued in the amount of \$4,947.22, made payable to "All Services Graphics," from the account of "Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates." The check appears to have been signed by Gregory Schwendeman.<sup>6</sup> (ROI Exhibit 7).

21. In a telephonic interview, Gregory Schwendeman stated that BCQC paid for the mailer at issue. Mr. Schwendeman explained that he "screwed up" the reporting of information online with the local supervisor of elections' office. Mr. Schwendeman stated that Respondent did not give any money toward the cost of the mailer, did not pay for the mailer, and was never involved with the ECO.

22. Mr. Schwendeman provided a copy of BCQC's bank statement for the month of August 2016, when the mailer was published and distributed. The bank statement shows that the ECO had funds in the account to cover the cost of the mailer at issue. (ROI Exhibit 8)

23. Section 106.1439(1), Florida Statutes, requires electioneering communications to prominently state the specified disclaimer indicating who paid for the communication.

24. Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, prohibits a candidate from falsely reporting or deliberately failing to include any information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

25. "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).

26. The facts set forth above show that Respondent was a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2. Although BCQC did not disclose an expenditure in August 2016 to All Service Graphics, Inc., the investigation found records of such an expenditure. Mr. Schwendeman confirmed that BCQC paid for the mailer at issue and asserted that Respondent did not pay for it. Respondent also asserted that he did not pay for the mailer at issue, and the investigation found that Respondent made expenditures to All Service Graphics, Inc., on numerous occasions for a variety of reasons during his campaign. There is insufficient evidence to reasonably conclude that Respondent paid for the electioneering communication at issue. Therefore, it cannot reasonably be concluded that Respondent failed to include a proper and accurate disclaimer on the electioneering communication or that Respondent falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, relative to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Gregory Schwendeman signed BCQC's Electioneering Communication Organization Statement of Organization form ("DS-DE 103") as "Top-ranking Principal Officer of Organization." The DS-DE 103 was filed on July 19, 2016, with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office. (Attachment D)

the electioneering communication. However, the investigation also found and Respondent admitted that he accepted an excessive contribution to his campaign. Although he refunded the excessive contribution, Respondent did not do so for 24 days.

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find no probable cause to charge Respondent with violating Sections 106.1439(1), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, and find probable cause to charge Respondent with violating the following:

# <u>Count 1:</u>

On or about May 6, 2015, Rodney Miles Kernan violated Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes, when he accepted a contribution in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08, Florida Statutes.

Respectfully submitted on April 6, 2017,

Cole H. Kekelis Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 6 May of 901 2017.

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director





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Tim Bobanic Chief Deputy -- Information Systems Brevard County Supervisor of Elections (321) 633-2175 - Direct (321) 633-2130 - Fax tbobanic@votebrevard.com

From: Candidate
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2015 2:57 PM
To: rodkernan@hotmail.com
Subject: Your 2016 Candidacy and Financial Reporting Log-In Information

Mr. Kernan,

Thank you for visiting our office to announce your candidacy. I have processed the forms you submitted to announce your candidacy and your first Campaign Finance Report will be due on <u>04/10/2015</u>.

Since you filed during the M3 reporting period you are required to file an M3 report by 04/10/2015. Please file your campaign finance reports electronically through the Campaign Financial Reporting System located at <a href="http://www.voterfocus.com/ws/WScand/candidate\_pb.php?county=brevard">http://www.voterfocus.com/ws/WScand/candidate\_pb.php?county=brevard</a>. When you log in, you will see a list of reporting dates for 2015. Below is your assigned ID number, password, and PIN number. *Please note, your pin number is the equivalent of your hard copy signature on the electronic report*.

ID #: 581 Password: RkCJ20305 Candidate/Chairman's PIN #: 7155 Treasurer's PIN #: 2583

In addition, I have attached some helpful documents: *How to File Financial Reports Online, the Campaign Treasurer Handbook,* and the 2014 Election Laws. It is important for you review this material and become familiar with the Candidate Handbook and Chapter 106 of the Election Laws. These important documents are also available on the Florida Division of Elections website at <u>http://election.dos.state.fl.us/</u>, under "Forms & Publications "section.



If you intend to qualify by petition please visit the Division's website to or in a current copy of the candidate petition form. For more information regarding the petition collection and verification process, please refer to our website and the attached Candidate Petition Handbook provided by the Division of Elections. Candidates are highly encouraged to submit petitions to our office for verification at their earliest convenience if they intend to qualify via the petition method.

Lastly, please confirm what information you would like to display on our website on the "Announced and Qualified candidates" tab. You may wish to also include: your address, a contact phone number, email or website in addition to your name. Once you inform me of what you would like to include on the website, I can forward that information on to our IT department who will update the website with your information.

I look forward to working with you during your candidacy!

*Tim Bobanic* Chief Deputy – Information Systems Brevard County Supervisor of Elections (321) 633-2175 - Direct (321) 633-2130 - Fax tbobanic@votebrevard.com

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reported on campaign treasurer's reports to include the full name and address of each person who gave a cash contribution during the reporting period, together with the amount and date of such cash contribution. *(Sections 106.07(4) and 106.09, F.S.,* 

(Sections <u>106.07(4)</u> and <u>106.09</u>, F.S., and Division of Elections Opinion <u>90-15.</u>)

# **Debit and Credit Card Contributions**

A candidate may accept contributions via a credit card or debit card. These contributions are categorized as a "check" for reporting purposes.

(Division of Elections Opinions <u>94-02</u> and <u>00-03</u>)

# **Contribution Limits for Candidates**

**IMPORTANT:** Except for political parties or affiliated party committees, no person or political committee may make contributions in excess of: (1) \$3,000 to a candidate for statewide office or for retention as a justice of the Supreme Court. Candidates for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor on the same ticket are considered a single candidate for the purpose of this section; (2) \$1,000 to a candidate for retention as a judge of a district court of appeal; a candidate for legislative office; a candidate for multicounty office; a candidate for county-wide office or in any election conducted on less than a countywide basis; or a candidate for county court judge or circuit judge. The primary and general elections are separate elections. (See Glossary for the definition of "person.")

(Section 106.08(1)(a) F.S.)

These limits do not apply to contributions made by a state or county executive committee of a political party or affiliated party committee regulated by <u>Chapter 103</u>, <u>F.S.</u>, or to amounts contributed by a candidate to his own campaign. The contribution limits do not apply to individuals seeking election to a political party executive committee because they are not "candidates."

A candidate may not:

- Accept contributions until <u>Form DS-DE 9</u>, Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates, is filed with the filing officer;
- Accept a contribution in excess of the above limits from any one person per election, provided the candidate is an opposed candidate and the contribution is received within the timeframe applicable to each election;
- Accept contributions from family members in excess of the above limits per election;
- Accept contributions from a county executive committee of a political party whose contributions in the aggregate exceed \$50,000, or from the national or state executive committees of a political including any subordinate party, committee of such political party or affiliated party committees, who contributions in the aggregate exceed \$50,000. Polling services, research services, cost for campaign staff, professional consulting services, and

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# Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

#### Report Date: M5 (5/1/2015 - 5/31/2015)

Seq# Date	Contributor	Entity	Occupation Amend	Cont. Type	Amount
1	Rodney M. Kernan, LLC	Business	Law Firm	Check	
5/6/2015	P.O. Box 458				\$1,000.00
	Cocoa, FL 32923				5.5 J#
2	Rodney Kernan	Candidate	Attorney	Loan	
5/20/2015	3764 Sunward Dr.	to			\$1,000.00
	Merritt Island, FL 32953	Themselves			

	Cam	paign Treasurer	's Report - In-Kind	d Contributions	
Seq#	Contributor	Entity	Occupation	In-Kind	Description
Date			Amend		Amount
			Total In-K	ind	\$0.00
			Contributi	ons	n

5/20/2015     1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.,       Ste. 1       Melbourne, F 32935       3     Go Daddy       5/29/2015     14455 N. Hayden Rd., Ste.       219       Scottsdale, AZ 85260	\$557.85
Palm Bay, FL 32909         2       All Service Graphics, Inc.       Walking Cards       Monetary         5/20/2015       1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.,       Ste. 1       Melbourne, F 32935         3       Go Daddy       Web Hosting       Monetary         5/29/2015       14455 N. Hayden Rd., Ste.       219         Scottsdale, AZ 85260       Scottsdale, AZ 85260       Scottsdale, AZ 85260	4557 95
2     All Service Graphics, Inc.     Walking Cards     Monetary       5/20/2015     1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd., Ste. 1 Melbourne, F 32935     Monetary       3     Go Daddy     Web Hosting     Monetary       5/29/2015     14455 N. Hayden Rd., Ste. 219 Scottsdale, AZ 85260     Scottsdale, AZ 85260	4001.00
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5/29/2015 14455 N. Hayden Rd., Ste. 219 Scottsdale, AZ 85260	
219 Scottsdale, AZ 85260	
Scottsdale, AZ 85260	\$95.76
4 Rodney M, Kernan, LLC To correct over Refund	
5/30/2015 P.O. Box 458 contribution by error	\$500.00
Cocoa, FL 32923	

Seq# Date	Institution	Campaign Treasurer's Re Transfer Nature Type	port - Fund Transfers of Account Amend	Amount
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# Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

#### Report Date: M6 (6/1/2015 - 6/30/2015)

Seq#	Contributor	Entity	Occupation	Cont. Type	
Date			Amend		Amount
			Total Contr	ibutions	\$0.00

		<b>Campaign Treasure</b>	r's Report - In-Ki	nd Contributions		
Seq#	Contributor	Entity	Occupation	In-Kind	Description	
Date			Amend		Amount	
			Totai In Contribu		\$0.00	

Seq# Date	Vendor	Purpose	Exp. Type Amend	Amount
1	All Service Graphics, Inc.	Postcards	Monetary	
6/11/2015	1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.,			\$106.50
	Ste. 1			
	Melbourne, F 32935			
			Total Expenditures	\$106.50

Seq#	Institution	Transfer Natur	e of Account	
Date		Туре	Amend	Amount

1		Campaign Treasurer's R	eport - Distributions	
Seq#	Vendor	Purpose	Expenditure Related	Exp.
Date			Amend	Amount

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# Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

#### Report Date: M1 (1/1/2016 - 1/31/2016)

Seg#	Contributor	Entity	Report - Itemized Occupation	Cont. Type	
	contributor	Entity	Amend	cont. Type	
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1	Rodney Kernan	Candidate	Attorney	Loan	
1/27/2016	P.O. Box 458	to			\$5,000.00
· · · ·	Cocoa, FL 32923	Themselves	i		
			Total Contr	ibutions	\$5,000.00

		Campaign Treasurer's Report -	In-Kind Contributions	
Seq#	Contributor	Entity Occupation	n In-Kind	Description
Date		Amend		Amount
			tal In-Kind Intributions	\$0.00

Seq# Date	Vendor	Purpose	Exp. Type Amend	Amount
1 1/27/2016	Melbourne Main St 1908 Municipal Ln. Melbourne, FL 32901	Campaign Tent Placement	Monetary	\$40.00
2 1/28/2016	All Service Graphics, Inc. 1020 W. Eau Gaille Blvd., Ste. 1 Melbourne, F 32935	Printed Petition Forms	Monetary	\$186.38

J			Campaign Treasurer's	Report - Fund Transfers	
	Seq#	Institution	Transfer Natur	re of Account	
1	Date		Туре	Amend	Amount

		Campaign Treasurer's R	eport - Distributions	
Seq#	Vendor	Purpose	Expenditure Related	Exp.
Date			Amend	Amount

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Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

Report Date: M3 (3/1/2016 - 3/31/2016)

Seq#	Contributor	Entity		nt. Type
Date			Amend	Amount
			Total Contributions	\$0.00

		Campaign Treasurer's Report - In-Kind Contributions						
	Seq#	Contributor	Entity Occupation In-Kin	d Description				
	Date		Amend	Amount				
			Total In-Kind	\$0.00				
ł			Contributions					

Seq# Date	Vendor	Purpose	Exp. Type Amend	Amount
1	Space Coast Motor Officers	Campaign Tent Space for	Monetary	
3/1/2016	Inc	Event		\$50.00
	P.O. Box 238391 Cocoa, FL 32923			
2	ArtLab, LLC	Campaign T Shirts	Monetary	
3/1/2016	1728 Agora Cir., SE, Unit C Palm Bay, FL 32909			\$293.30
3	Supervisor of Elections	Petition Account	Monetary	
3/4/2016	2725 Judge Fran Jamieson			\$100.00
	Way, Bld C			
	Viera, FL 32940			
4	Southern Tape & Lable	Campaign Signs	Monetary	
3/7/2016	1107 Peachtree St.			\$159.75
	Cocoa, FL 32922			
5	AACCC	Campaign Tent Space	Monetary	
3/7/2016	P.O. Box 27			\$35.00
	Cocoa, FL 32923			
6	All Service Graphics, Inc.	Letterhead	Monetary	
3/14/2016	1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.,			\$190.64
	Ste. 1			
	Melbourne, F 32935			
7	Annie Jones	Petition Gathering	Monetary	
3/17/2016	907 Covina Way			\$114.00
	Melbourne, FL 32901			
8	A Better Copy/Applied	Name Tags	Monetary	
3/21/2016				\$26.52
	102 E New Haven Avenue			
	Melbourne , FL 32901			

Seq#	Institution	Campaign Treasurer's I Transfer Natur	Report - Fund Transfers e of Account	
Date		Туре	Amend	Amount
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# Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

#### Report Date: P1 (6/1/2016 - 6/24/2016)

Seq# Date	Contributor	Entity	Occupation Amend	Cont. Type	Amount
1 6/2/2016	Gregory Nicosia 92 S.W. 15th Ct. Boca Raton, FL 33486	Individual	Attorney	Check	\$20.00
2 6/22/2016	James N. Nance, P.A. P.O. Box 361817 Melbourne, FL 32936	Business	Law Firm	Check	\$250.00

	Campaign Treasurer's Report - In-Kind Co	ontributions
Seq# Contributor	Entity Occupation	In-Kind Description
Date	Amend	Amount
	Total In-Kind Contributions	+

Seq# Date	Vendor	Purpose	Exp. Type Amend	Amount
1 6/6/2016	Space Coast Tiger Bay Club P.O. Box 372262 Satellite Beach, FL 32937	Hob Nob Exhibition Event Table and Tickets	Monetary	\$550.00
2 6/8/2016	All Service Graphics, Inc. 1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd., Ste. 1 Melbourne, F 32935	Walking Cards	Monetary	\$1,065.00
3 6/13/2016	Brevard County Bar 2627 W Eau Gallie Blvd. Melbourne, FL 32935	Mailing Lables	Monetary	\$120.00
4 6/14/2016	Southern Tape & Lable 1107 Peachtree St. Cocoa, FL 32922	Campaign Signs	Monetary	\$1,242.21
5 6/20/2016	City of Cocoa 434 Delannoy Ave., Suite 203 Cocoa, FL 32922	July 4th Tent Location	Monetary	\$132.50

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# Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

#### Report Date: P5 (7/30/2016 - 8/5/2016)

Seq# Date	Campaign Contributor	Entity	Report - Itemized Co Occupation Amend	Cont. Type	Amount
1 8/3/2016	Shara Sterling 3764 Sunward Dr. Merritt Island, FL 32953	Individual	Attorney	Check	\$1,000.00
2 8/3/2016	Shane Smith, P.A. 4800 Dairy Rd., Suite 104 Melbourne, FL 32904	Business	Law Firm	Check	\$500.00
3 8/5/2016	Julian S Edelschick 190 Country Club Dr. Melbourne, FL 32940	Individual	Doctor	Check	\$100.00
4 8/5/2016	Dale A Young ***Protected***	Individual	Investigator	Check	\$100.00
5 8/5/2016	Rhonda Henderson, LLC 3270 Suntree Blvd., Ste. 1103 Melbourne, FL 32940	Business	Law Firm	Check	\$100.00
6 8/5/2016	Stephen E Wolverton 109 Deleon Rd. Cooca Beach, FL 32931	Individual	Attorney	Check	\$500.00
7 8/5/2016	Justin B. Welsberg, PA 901 S Federal Hwy Ste 300 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316	Business	Law Firm	Check	\$250.00
8 8/5/2016	Arthur W. Niergarth Jr. P.A. 2285 W Eau Gallie Blvd. Melbourne, FL 32935	Business	Law Firm	Check	\$500.00
			Total Contribu	tions	\$3,050.00

Seq#	Contributor	Entity	Occupation	In-Kind Descrip	otion
Date			Amend		Amount
8	Rodney Kernan	Candidate	Attorney	Invitation Flyers	
8/2/2016	P.O. Box 458	to			\$18.37
	Cocoa , FL 32923	Themselves	5		
			Total In-Kin	nd	\$18.37

Seq#	Vendor	Treasurer's Report - Iten Purpose	Exp. Type	
Date			Amend	Amount
1	All Service Graphics, Inc.	Printed Materials	Monetary	
8/1/2016	1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.,			\$4,260.00
	Ste. 1			
	Melbourne , FL 32935			
2	All Service Graphics, Inc.	Mailing Services & Postage	Monetary	
8/1/2016	1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.,			\$12,802.49
	Ste. 1			
	Melbourne, FL 32935			
3	USPS	Postage	Monetary	
8/2/2016	333 Crockett Blvd.			\$470.00
	Merritt Island, FL 32953			
4	USPS	Postage	Monetary	
8/2/2016	333 Crockett Blvd.			\$564.00
	Merritt Island, FL 32953			
5	Office Depot	Labels & Supplies	Monetary	
8/2/2016	550 E. Merritt Island Cswy.			\$46.05
	Merritt Island, FL 32953			

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# Office: County Court Judge, Group 2

#### Report Date: P7 (8/13/2016 - 8/25/2016)

Seq#	Contributor	Entity	Report - Itemized Control Occupation	Cont. Type	
Date			Amend		Amount
1	LifeForce Chiropractic, Inc.	Business	MedicalOffice	Check	
8/22/2016	5560 Babcock St. NE				\$250.00
	Palm Bay, FL 32907				20
2	Titusville Chiro & Injury	Business	MedicalOffice	Check	
8/22/2016	Cent				\$500.00
	119 S. Park Ave.				
	Titusville, FL 32796				
3	David Heinish DC PA	Business	MedicalOffice	Check	
8/22/2016	1209 Admiralty Blvd.				\$250.00
	Rockledge, FL 32955				
4	B Greenwald Medical PA	Business	MedicalOffice	Check	
8/22/2016	8929 SE Bridge Rd.				\$250.00
	Hobe Sound, FL 33455				
5	Aurora Chiropractic Clinic	Business	MedicalOffice	Check	
8/22/2016	1571 Aurora Rd.				\$250.00
	Melbourne, FL 32935				
6	Joseph W Slattery III	Individual	Doctor	Check	
8/22/2016	527 Island Ct				\$1,000.00
	Indian Harbor Beach, FL				
	32937				
7	Michael D Peacock	Individual	Attorney	Check	
8/22/2016	1616 Pine St.				\$250.00
	Melbourne, FL 32901				
8	Cynthialynn C Kenemuth	Individual	MedicalOfficeAdmin	Check	
8/22/2016					\$250.00
	203				
	Melbourne Beach, FL				
	32951				
9	Derrick R Conneli	Individual	Attorney	Check	
8/22/2016	25 Pinehlll Dr				\$500.00
	Indialantic, FL 32903				

		с	Campaign Treasurer's I	Report - In-Kind	Contributions	
	Seq#	Contributor	Entity O	ccupation	In-King	Description
1	Date		A	mend		Amount
				Total In-Ki Contributio		\$0.00

Seq# Date	Vendor	Purpose	Exp. Type Amend	Amount
1	All Service Graphics, Inc.	Mailers &	Monetary	
8/24/2016	1020 W Eau Gallie Blvd, Ste. I Melbourne, FL 32935	Postage		\$10,839.27
2 8/19/2016	USPS 6105 N Wickham Rd. Melbourne, FL 32940	Postage	Monetary	\$517.00
3 8/25/2016	Florida Today 1 Gannett Plaza Ave. Melbourne, FL 32940	Florida Today Ad	Monetary	\$1,402.50
4 8/15/2016	Office Depot 550 E Merritt Island Causeway Merritt Island, FL 32952	Flyers	Monetary	\$150.70
			Total Expenditures	\$12,909.47

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# FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Case No.: FEC 16-635

Respondent: Rodney Miles Kernan

Complainant: Kelly Ingram

On October 28, 2016, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a sworn complaint alleging that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. Commission staff investigated whether Respondent violated the following statutes:

Section 106.1439(1), Florida Statutes, failure of a person making an expenditure for an electioneering communication to mark prominently the electioneering communication with the required disclaimer;

Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes, prohibiting a person or organization from accepting a contribution in excess of the legal limits; and

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, prohibiting a person or organization from falsely reporting or deliberately failing to report information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

# I. Preliminary Information:

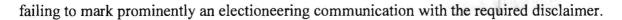
1. Respondent, Rodney Miles Kernan, was a candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2. In the primary election held on August 30, 2016, Respondent secured 33.91% of the vote to finish first among four candidates, including Complainant; however, he was defeated by Complainant in the general election held on November 8, 2016.

2. On March 5, 2015, Respondent's "APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES" form (DS-DE 9) was filed with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office. Respondent appointed himself to serve as his campaign treasurer. To review a copy of Respondent's DS-DE 9 form, refer to Exhibit 1.

3. Complainant, Kelly Ingram, was Respondent's opponent in the primary and general election; she was elected to office on November 8, 2016.

# II. Alleged Violation of Section 106.1439(1), Florida Statutes:

4. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by



5. Complainant alleged that Respondent misrepresented that a mailer was from an electioneering communication organization (ECO) rather than himself.

6. Complainant offered as part of her complaint a copy of an electioneering communication. One side includes a heading that reads, "KELLY INGRAM ARRESTED," followed by the address, which reads, "Paid electioneering communication paid for by Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates 274 East Eau Gallie Causeway #255 Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937." An indicia near the address indicates that All Service Graphics may have been responsible for the publication and distribution of the mailer. To review a copy of the mailer, refer to Exhibit 2.

7. Complainant noted that the campaign reports of the ECO, Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates<sup>1</sup> (BCQC), does not list any expenditures to All Service Graphics. As part of her complaint, Complainant offered a printout from the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections website. The printout listed six reports<sup>2</sup> that had been filed with the supervisor of elections office by BCQC. The printout shows contributions totaling \$1,000.00; no monetary expenditures or in-kind contributions were reported. To review the printout included with the complaint, refer to Exhibit 3.

8. Commission staff reviewed the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' website and found that BCQC filed a number of other campaign reports following the 2016 G1 report. BCQC filed waivers for the 2016 G2 through the 2016 G6 reporting periods. The first expenditures reported by BCQC transpired during the 2016 G7 reporting period<sup>3</sup>. The 2016 M11 reporting period, the reporting period following the 2016 G7 reporting period, disclosed one contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 and two expenditures totaling \$2,000.00<sup>4</sup>. A waiver was filed for the 2016 M12 reporting period. To review the campaign finance activity relative to BCQC, refer to Exhibit 4.

9. Furthermore, Complainant noted that Respondent's campaign reports disclosed an expenditure to All Service Graphics<sup>5</sup> on August 24, 2016, in the amount of \$10,839.27. According to Complainant, the mailer was delivered to registered voters on or about August 27, 2016. To review a copy of Respondent's campaign report depicting the expenditure, refer to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BCQC filed its ECO Statement of Organization with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office on July 19, 2016. The area, scope and jurisdiction is listed as, "County elections in and for Brevard County, Florida." Gregory Schwendeman signed the form as the top-ranking principal officer of the organization.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Beginning with the 2016 P3, covering the reporting period of 07/08 - 07/22/16 through the 2016 G1, covering the reporting period of 08/26 - 09/02/16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The three expenditures totaled \$910.00. The expenditures were to Southern Tape & Label for the purpose of "campaign signs" in the amount of \$210.00. The other two expenditures were to Jan Taylor for "sign holding" in the amount of \$350.00 each.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The two expenditures totaled \$2,000.00. The expenditures were to Horizon Broadcasting for the purpose of "radio ads" in the amount of \$1,000.00 and to Iheartmedia, also for the purpose of "radio ads" in the amount of \$1,000.00.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Respondent's campaign reports disclose a number of other expenditures to All Service Graphics for the purposes such as "walking cards," "postage," "letterhead," and "printed petition forms."

Exhibit 5.

10. In a telephone interview, Complainant was asked about the mailer at issue and her knowledge regarding Respondent being a "leader" with BCQC. Complainant stated that a couple, whom she knows, received the mailer at their house and called her to tell her about it. She said that to her recollection the couple received the mailer on or about August 27, 2016. When asked about Respondent and him being a "leader" with BCQC, Complainant said that she was basing it on two things. Complainant reported that it is common knowledge in the area that Respondent and Greg Schwendeman are "close friends." She also reported that a commercial aired on a local television station that was paid for by BCQC but the commercial was "voiced" by Respondent. She added that Respondent also produced mailers very similiar to mailers distributed by BCQC.

11. In a response to the complaint, Respondent "unequivocally" denies Complainant's allegation and added that Complainant "without any evidence, other than sheer speculation, has made this allegation." Respondent stated, "The fact that I use All Service Graphics (ASG) for my printing and mailing does not align or connect me with the ECO." To review Respondent's response to the complaint, refer to Exhibit 6.

12. In a telephone interview, Respondent denied that he was responsible for the mailer at issue and that Complainant was speculating. Respondent explained that Complainant's speculation is based on the fact that he utilized the same printing vendor, All Service Graphics, as did BCQC. Respondent stated that he did not give any money to BCQC nor did he assist with paying for the mailer at issue. According to Respondent, Greg Schwendeman, through BCQC's account, paid for the mailer. Respondent added that Mr. Schwendeman "messed-up" when it came to reporting the information electronically with the supervisor of elections' office.

13. Records were secured from the vendor, All Service Graphics, relative to the mailer at issue. A copy of an invoice, dated August 24, 2016, reveals that BCQC was billed a total \$4,947.22 for printing, mailing services and postage. In addition, check #98 was issued in the amount of \$4,947.22 from the account of "Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates." The check appears to have been signed by Greg Schwendeman. To review a copy of the invoice and the check, refer to Exhibit 7.

14. In a telephone interview, Greg Schwendeman stated that his ECO paid for the mailer at issue. Mr. Schwendeman explained that he "screwed-up" the reporting of information on-line with the supervisor of elections' office. He added that he had problems in his attempts to upload and report information. He further added that he intends to contact Michele<sup>6</sup> with the supervisor of elections' office and have her assist him in making sure everything is reported so that he can eventually "shut down" the ECO.

15. As part of the telephone interview, Mr. Schwendeman was asked about Respondent and whether he contributed any money to the ECO for the purpose of assisting in paying for the mailer. Mr. Schwendeman reported that Respondent did not give any money towards to the cost of the mailer nor did he pay for the mailer. During the telephone interview,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Michele Nemschick

Mr. Schwendeman offered to provide copies of the ECO's bank statements as evidence that the committee had the funds to pay for the mailer.

16. Mr. Schwendeman provided copies of the committee's monthly bank statements beginning with the month of August 2016—when the mailer was published and distributed. The bank statement shows that the committee had funds in the account to cover the costs of the mailer at issue. To review a copy of the August bank statement, refer to Exhibit 8.

17. In a telephone interview, Michele Nemschick<sup>7</sup> stated that the campaign reports filed with her office are current and that no changes have been made to any of the campaign reports<sup>8</sup>. She added that currently the campaign reports indicate that the ECO has more in expenditures than it had received in contributions. She further added that she has made Mr. Schwendeman aware of the situation but that she has not heard back from him. When asked, Ms. Nemschick stated that she could not recall any specific issues she encountered when helping Mr. Schwendeman other than his father was ill at a time when one of the campaign reports was due and on another occasion their office extended a deadline for filing campaign reports due to a "hurricane event."

18. In a questionnaire-affidavit, Respondent attested that he is not currently or has never been named as an officer with BCQC nor did he ever make a monetary contribution to the committee. Additionally, he attested that he did not financially fund the mailer at issue.

19. Respondent attested in the questionnaire-affidavit that he has known Mr. Schwendeman for approximately seven years mostly as an acquaintance. He described his relationship with Mr. Schwendeman as a friend but that they do not socialize outside of seeing each other in court. To review the questionnaire-affidavit, refer to Exhibit 9.

20. No record was found to indicate that Respondent has previously violated this section of the election laws.

# III. Alleged Violation of Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes:

21. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by accepting an excessive contribution.

22. Complainant alleged that Respondent accepted an excessive contribution from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. Complainant noted that the contributions were reported in campaign reports for April and May 2015.

23. As per paragraph one, Respondent was a candidate in the primary election held on August 30, 2016.

24. Respondent's 2015 M4 campaign report was filed with the Brevard County

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Candidate administrator with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> In an e-mail, Ms. Nemschick advised that Mr. Schwendeman had begun amendments to the 2016 P7 and 2016 G6 campaign reports; however, neither of the campaign reports were submitted to the supervisor of elections office.





Supervisor of Elections' office on May 8, 2015. Table 1 below is reflective of how the contribution was reported. To review the itemized-contributions page depicting the \$500 contribution, refer to Exhibit 10.

	TABLE 1: RESPONDENT'S 2015 M4 CTR – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS						
Date	Full Name	Contributor		Contribution	In-Kind	Amount	
Sequence #	Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	Туре	Occupation	Туре	Description		
4/7/2015 1	Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923	В	law firm	СН		\$500.00	

25. Respondent's 2015 M5 campaign report was filed with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office on June 9, 2015. Table 2 below is reflective of how the contribution was reported. To review the itemized-contributions page depicting the \$1000.00 contribution, refer to Exhibit 11.

	TABLE 2: RESPONDENT	's 2015	M5 CTR – I1	EMIZED CONT	RIBUTIONS	IN SUSA
Date	Full Name	Contributor		Contribution	In-Kind	Amount
Sequence #	Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	Туре	Occupation	Туре	Description	
5/6/2015 1	Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923	В	law firm	СН		\$1,000.00

26. In his response, Respondent acknowledged the acceptance of the second contribution from his law firm on May 6, 2015. Respondent stated, "After writing a first check of \$500.00, I inadvertently wrote the second check for \$1000.00 by mistake." Respondent added that once he realized the error, "I immediately within the same reporting period, corrected the error by writing a check back to Rodney M. Kernan, LLC." Additionally, Respondent stated that he is the only one listed to receive funds from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC as the sole attorney for the entity. To review Respondent's response to the complaint, refer to Exhibit 6.

27. The itemized-expenditures page from Respondent's 2015 M5 campaign report discloses the returning of the excessive amount of the contribution. As per paragraph 25, the 2015 M5 campaign report was filed with the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections' office on June 9, 2015<sup>9</sup>. Table 3 below is reflective of how the expenditure was reported. To review the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Complainant swore out her complaint on October 19, 2016.

itemized-expenditures page disclosing the excessive portion of the contribution, refer to Exhibit 12.

TABLE 3: RESPONDENT'S 2015 M5 CTR-ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES						
Date Sequence #	Full Name, Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	Purpose	Expenditure Type	Amount		
5/30/2015 4	Rodney M. Kernan, LLC P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923	to correct over contribution by error	RE	\$500.00		

28. In a questionnaire-affidavit, Respondent was asked about any campaign procedures he had in place to help ensure that his campaign operated in compliance of Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes. Respondent attested that he kept separate folders with copies of any and all contributions which included names and addresses of contributors.

29. In addition, Respondent attested, "As for my Rodney M. Kernan, LLC account, I am the only recipient of that account. However, after depositing the \$1000 check, I realized that I had previously written a check for \$500.00 and immediately corrected the overage by writing Rodney M. Kernan, LLC a check for \$500.00 prior the next reporting period." Respondent added that the "overage" happened at the beginning of his campaign as he was establishing safeguards. To review Respondent's response to the questionnaire-affidavit, refer to Exhibit 9.

30. As part of his response to the questionnaire-affidavit, Respondent provided a copy of the check issued as a refund. Check #0993 was issued to Rodney M. Kernan LLC in the amount of \$500.00 for "Refund correcting Contribution Deposit." The check was dated as having been written on May 30, 2015. To review a copy of the check, refer to Exhibit 13.

31. No record was found to indicate that Respondent has previously violated this section of the election laws.

# IV. Alleged Violation of Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

32. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by falsely reporting information.

33. As to Complainant's concern, refer to paragraph five.

34. To review information pertaining to the mailer, refer to paragraphs 6 through 19.

35. No record was found to indicate that Respondent has previously violated this section of the election laws.

# V. FEC History:

36. Respondent has no prior history with the Florida Elections Commission.

## **Conclusion:**

37. On March 17, 2017, I interviewed Respondent for the purpose of providing him with a brief overview of the case and to afford him an opportunity for questions or comments. After having reviewed the case with him and when asked, Respondent said that he had nothing else to add to the case at this time.

38. In an affidavit, Brevard County Supervisor of Elections Lori Scott attested that Respondent's 2016 campaign was his first campaign for elective office in her jurisdiction. Ms. Scott further attested that Respondent was provided with a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, as well as the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*. To review the supervisor of elections affidavit, refer to Exhibit 14.

39. In a questionnaire-affidavit, Respondent attested in 2012, he announced as a candidate for Brevard Clerk of the Court but he later withdrew prior to qualifying. Respondent further attested that he does possess and has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes as well as the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*. Respondent was asked what action had he taken to determine his responsibilities under Florida's election laws. He stated, "As required, I read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes and the Code of Judicial Conduct within 10 days of announcing my candidacy. In addition I attended a seminar in Orlando regarding the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct, Canon 7 Rules and have read any updates." To review Respondent's response to the questionnaire-affidavit, refer to Exhibit 9.

40. Respondent executed a Statement of Candidate form indicating that he had been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes; the form is dated as having been signed March 5, 2015. To review the Statement of Candidate form, refer to Exhibit 15.

Respectfully submitted on March 17, 2017.

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Keith Smith / Investigation Specialist





### **Current address of Respondent**

Rodney Miles Kernan Post Office Box 458 Cocoa, Florida 32923

## **Current address of Complainant**

The Honorable Kelly Ingram 3231 Biscayne Drive Merritt Island, Florida 32953

### Name and Address of Filing Officer:

The Honorable Lori Scott Supervisor of Elections 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Building C Melbourne, Florida 32940

Copy furnished to: David Flagg, Investigations Manager

## FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Rodney Miles Kernan -- FEC 16-635

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Exhibit 3	Printout of six reports (BCQC)			
Exhibit 4	Campaign Finance Activity & remaining campaign reports			
Exhibit 5	Respondent's CTR re: \$10,839.27 expenditure to All Service			
Exhibit 6	Respondent's response			
Exhibit 7	Invoice/check			
Exhibit 8	Bank statement from BCQC			
Exhibit 9	Response to Q/A			
Exhibit 10	Respondent's 2015 M4 CTR re: \$500 contribution			
Exhibit 11	Respondent's 2015 M5 CTR re: \$1000 contribution			
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Exhibit 13	Check returning excessive portion of contribution			
Exhibit 14	Affidavit of Lori Scott (BCSOE)			
Exhibit 15	Statement of Candidate form			

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KELLY INGRAM ARRESTED FOR TTERY ON A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND RESISTING ARREST Brevard County Sheriff's Office 700 Park Avenue, Titusville, FL 32780-4095 Case Report 14356402

## ARREST REPORT 11/14/2014

Upon my arrival I observed [BCSO] Deputy attempting to conduct a DUI investigation. As I watched, **Ms. Kelly Ingram (arrestee)** repeatedly yelled into [the] Deputy's face and moved her body very close to his in an attempt to interrupt or interfere with his criminal investigation. I gave several verbal commands for her to step away from [BÇSO] Deputy so that he could continue his investigation. **Ms. Ingram** looked at me and said, "F\*\*\* you, I don't have to listen to you!" She then turned back to [BCSO] Deputy and approached him from behind. In an attempt to remove her...1 placed my right hand on the defendant's left wrist and the defendant turned around and struck me with her right arm in the chest. I placed **Ms. Ingram** under arrest for Resisting an Officer without violence and Battery LEO. The defendant was then transported to the Brevard County Jail. This entire incide scaptured by [BCSO] Deputy's patrol car camera.

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## Committee: Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates

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P4	8/5/2016	# 255
P5	8/12/2016	Indian Harbour Beach, FL - 3293
P6	8/19/2016	gregoryslf@aol.com
P7	8/26/2016	3212435008
G1	9/9/2016	
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Candidate qualifying forms and miscellaneous documents

EXHIBIT 4 (1 = 3)

Candidate Reports





## Committee: Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates

Office: Electioneering Communications Organization

Report Date: G7 (10/22/2016 - 11/3/2016)

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1	Southern Tape & Label	Campaign signs	Monetary	
10/28/2016	1107 Peachtree Street			\$210.00
	Cocoa, FL 32922			
2	Jan Taylor	Sign Holding	Monetary	
11/2/2016	3136 Kittles Street			\$350.00
	Mims, FL 32754			10
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\* Petty cash expenditures are realized when the funds are withdrawn for petty cash. Therefore, the referenced item is not included in the total.

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## Committee: Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates

## Office: Electioneering Communications Organization

Report Date: M11 (11/4/2016 - 11/30/2016)

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1 11/4/2016	Horizon Broadcasting 380 N. Wickham Road Suite 1 Melbourne, fl 32935	radio ads	Monetary	\$1,000.00
2 11/4/2016	iheartmedia 1388 S. Babcock Street Melbourne, fl 32901	radio ads	Monetary	\$1,000.00

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8/24/2016	All Service Graphics, Inc., 1020 W Eau Gallie Blvd, Ste. I Melbourne, FL 32935	mailers & postage	MO		\$10,839
8/19/2016	USPS, 6105 N Wickham Rd. Melbourne, FL 32940	postage	МО		\$517
8/25/2016 /// 3	Florida Today, 1 Gannett Plaza Ave. Melbourne, FL 32940	florida today ad	МО		\$1,402
8/15/2016 ///	Office Depot, 550 E Merritt Island Causeway Merritt Island, FL 32952	flyers	MO		\$150.
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## Rodney M. Kernan

PO Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923 321-720-7948

November 16, 2016

To: Erin Riley, Florida Elections Commission 107 W. Gaines St, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, FL 32399 ZOIL NOV 21 A 10: 50

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RE: Response to Complaint Case No.: FEC 16-635

Dear Erin Riley:

This is in response to the Complaint filed by Kelly Ingram alleging violations of Florida election laws during the 2016 Campaign for County Court Judge Group 2 in Brevard County. In paragraph 3 of the Confidential Complaint Form FEC 002(Rev 05-05-14), It clearly states for the complainant to "Please list the provisions of the Florida Election Code that you believe the person named above may have violated."

With respect to the allegation in paragraph 1 of the complaint, Mrs. Ingram does not specify which subsection of the Florida Election Code 106.08 that was allegedly violated. However, regarding the allegation that my campaign received more that the statutory limit of \$1000.00 from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, there were two checks written. After writing a first check of \$500.00, I inadvertently wrote the second check for \$1000.00 by mistake. Once I realized the error, I immediately within the same reporting period, corrected the error by writing a check back to Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. In addition, I am the only one listed to receive funds from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC as the sole attorney for that entity.

With respect to the allegation in paragraph 2 of the Complaint, Mrs. Ingram doesn't even specify any section of the Florida Election Code that would indicate a violation. However, to answer her false allegation that I coordinated the activities of my campaign with an Electioneering Communication Organization (ECO), has been a leader in the ECO, and has publicly opposed an opponent through the guise of ECO (Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates), I unequivocally deny these allegations. Mrs. Ingram, without any evidence, other than sheer speculation, has made this allegation. The fact that I use All Service Graphics (ASG) for my printing and mailing does not align or connect me with the ECO. ASG is one of Brevard's largest printing services which many candidates and organizations use. Any of my printed campaign material distributed by ASG was clearly marked from my campaign and no other organization.

Sincerely, Rodney M. Kernan EXHIBIT

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#### AFFIDAVIT OF BACKGROUND INFORMATION Case Number: FEC 16-635

#### STATE OF FLORIDA County of Brevard

Rodney Miles Kernan, 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: Partner with Kernan & Austin, LLC as Attorney.

3. Prior to your 2016 campaign, had you ever run for public office? If so, please name the office(s) you ran for and the date(s) of the election(s) you ran in.

Announced as a candidate for Brevard Clerk of Court in 2012 but withdrew prior to qualifying date.

4. Have you ever been appointed to act as a campaign treasurer for a candidate? If so, please name the candidate(s) you served as treasurer, the office(s) the candidate ran for, and the dates of the election(s).

## No, except for functioning as treasurer for my own candidacy, Rodney M. Kernan, November 2016.

5. Have you ever held the office of chairperson or treasurer for a political committee or an electioneering communications organization? If so, please list the names and addresses of the committees and dates when you held the position.

No.

6. What action have you taken to determine your responsibilities under Florida's election laws?

As required, I read Chapter 106, Florida Statues and the Code of Judicial Conduct within 10 days of announcing my candidacy. In addition I attended a seminar in Orlando regarding the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct, Cannon 7 Rules and have read any updates.

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7.	Do you possess a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes?	X Yes	🗌 No
8.	If so, when did you first obtain it? Within 10 days of announci	ng my can	didacy.
9.	Have you read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes?	X Yes	🗌 No
10. Treast	Do you possess a copy of the Candidate and Campaign urer Handbook?	X Yes	🗌 No
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12. Handl	Have you read the <i>Candidate and Campaign Treasurer</i> book?	<b>X</b> Yes	🗌 No

13. A review of your campaign reports indicate that the campaign received a \$500 contribution from "Rodney M. Kernan, LLC" on April 7, 2015 and a \$1,000 contribution from "Rodney M. Kernan, LLC" on May 6, 2015, thereby accepting an excessive contribution in violation of Section 106.19(1)(a), FS. What, if any, campaign procedures did you have in place which would help ensure that your campaign operated in compliance of Section 106.19(1)(a), FS?

I kept separate monthly folders with copies of all and any contributions which included names and addresses of contributors. As for my Rodney M. Kernan, LLC account, I am the only recipient of that account. However, after depositing the \$1000.00 check, I realized that I had previously written a check for \$500.00 and immediately corrected the overage by writing Rodney M. Kernan, LLC a check for \$500.00 prior to the next reporting period. I also documented the error in my report and on the check. This overage happened at the beginning of the campaign as I was establishing safeguards.

14. According to your 2015 M5 campaign report. on May 30, 2015, you reported an expenditure in the amount of \$500 to "Rodney M. Kernan, LLC" for the purpose "to correct over contribution by error." For our review, please provide a copy of the check issued from the campaign account to repay Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. (Please note that Section 106.06(3), FS, requires a campaign treasurer of a candidate to keep records for a number of years equal to the term of office to which the candidate was seeking.)

#### Copy of check Provided with this affidavit.

15. According to Ms. Ingram (Complainant), you have been a "leader" with the ECO, Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates (BCQC). Are you currently, or have you ever been, named as an officer with BCQC? () Yes (X) No. If yes, please state your title and when you first began to serve in that capacity.

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16. How long have you known Greg Schwendeman?

Approximately 7 years but mostly as an acquaintance until the last few years where we have spoken more frequently when I see him around the courthouse.

17. How would you describe your relationship with Mr. Schwendeman?

• X Friend, but we do not socialize outside of seeing each other in court.

- o Acquaintance
- Business associate
   Other. Please explain \_\_\_\_\_\_

18. To your knowledge, what led Mr. Schwendeman to form BCQC?

I would speculate that Mr. Schwendeman desired myself to prevail in the election. However, I know he certainly did not support nor did he want Mrs. Ingram to become elected based on her lack of experience, sense of entitlement and foul demeanor as displayed on video by her arrest in 2014.

19. Did you ever make a monetary contribution to BCQC? ( ) Yes (X) No. If yes, please state the amount given.

20. According to Ms. Ingram, you "financially funded" the mailer that accompanied her complaint. Did you give any money to BCQC to pay for the mailer at issue?

NO

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Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this day of

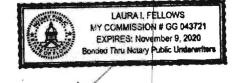
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Personally Known

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5/7/2015	ArtLab, LLC, 1728 Agora Cir., SE, Unit C Palm Bay, FL 32909	t shirts	MO		\$557.85
5/20/2015 	All Service Graphics, Inc., 1020 W. Eau Gallie Blvd., Ste. 1 Melbourne, F 32935	walking cards	мо		\$798.75
5/29/2015 /// 3	Go Daddy, 14455 N. Hayden Rd., Ste. 219 Scottsdale, AZ 85260	web hosting	MO		\$95.76
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#### AFFIDAVIT OF FILING OFFICER Case Number: FEC 16-635

#### STATE OF FLORIDA County of Brevard

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#### Lori Scott, being duly sworn, says:

1. This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge.

2.	I am	of legal	age a	and co	ompetent to	o testify	to th	e matters	stated	herei	n. I	am	current	ly
employ	ed by	Breve	ird	Cou	nty		_as_	Super	visor	of	Elé	ct.	ions	

3. Please provide copies of the listed items from the following candidate's campaign file: Rodney M. Kernan.

Check		IT	EM		1-26		
$\checkmark$	The Statement of Candidate form.	Both	DS-DE	83	and	DS-DE	84
$\checkmark$	Appointments of Treasurers and De	esignat	ion of Cam	npaigr	Depo	sitory form	n.

4. Please check each item provided to the candidate or his staff, and list the <u>date</u> that the item was provided.

Check	ITEM	DATE
$\checkmark$	Chapter 106, Florida Statutes	3/6/2015
	Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook Please indicate	
	Other:1	

5. Relative to Chapter 106, *Florida Statutes* and the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, how are these publications provided to the candidate and/or his staff?

- Publications are given directly to the candidate and/or his staff. Hard copies available upon request.
- Publications are available in the office, candidate and/or his staff are advised to pick-up the publications for themselves.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Any local publications relative to the Election laws that may have been provided in lieu of the Candidate and 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.

Candidate and/or his staff are advised to download copies of the publications from our website or the Division of Elections' website.

& Other, please explain. Provided as email attachments.

6. Did your office offer any candidate workshops or training seminars prior to the primary and/or general election?  $\checkmark$  Yes or  $\bigcirc$  No. If yes, please list all workshops/training seminars that were attended by the candidate and/or his staff, 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 for the workshops/seminars.

Candidate did, not attend the Candidate Workshop

7. Does your office have any record of Rodney M. Kernan having sought elective office within your jurisdiction prior to the 2016 election?  $\Box$  Yes or  $\Box$  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).

8. Does your office have any record of Rodney M. Kernan having been named as a chairperson or campaign treasurer of a political committee or electioneering communication organization within your jurisdiction? Yes or No. If yes, please list the name(s) of the committees.

9. Did you or any member from your staff have any conversations with Rodney M. Kernan concerning a provision of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, at any time during his 2016 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 documenting the discussion.

attached explanation.

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

EXHIBIT 4 (2.04)

Signature of Affiant Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this <u>28</u> day of February , 20 17

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Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public Michele D. NEMSCHICK

Personally Known \_\_\_\_\_ or Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Identification Produced: \_\_\_\_\_

> MICHELE D. NEMSCHICK Notary Public - State of Florida Commission # FF 949402 My Comm. Expires Jan 11, 2020 Bonded through National Notary Assn.

Case investigator: KS

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#### **Reply To:**

□ Government Center North 400 South Street 1F Post Office Box 1119 Titusville, FL 32781-1119 Telephone 321 264-6740 Fax 321 264-6741

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 Service Complex

 450 Cogan Drive, SE

 Palm Bay, FL 32909

 Telephone
 321 952-6328

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VOTER FRAUD HOTLINE 1-877-868-3737 Florida Elections Commission The Collins Building, Suite 224 107 West Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050

Re: Case No.: FEC 16-635

9. Mr. Kernan was notified by email that his expenditures exceeded his contributions on his TRG termination report. After notification, Mr. Kernan called and made an appointment with the Candidate Coordinator to clarify the process for entering a refund – which was the error that resulted in the discrepancy.

Mr. Kernan was given a copy of the "How to File Financial Reports Online" handbook pages 44-46: "How Do I Change or Delete and Item from an Original Report?"

He subsequently submitted a reconciled TRG termination report.

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OFFICE USE ONLY STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE '15 MAR 5 PH4:18 (Section 106.023, F.S.) (Please print or type) I, Rodney Miles Kernan candidate for the office of Brevard County Court Judge Group 2 have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. Х Signature of Candidate Date Each candidate must file a statement with the qualifying officer within 10 days after the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful failure to file this form is a first degree misdemeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign Financing Act which may result in a fine of up to \$1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida Statutes). DS-DE 84 (05/11) **EXHIBIT** 



FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 Telephone: (850) 922-4539 Fax: (850) 921-0783

February 16, 2017

Rodney Miles Kernan P.O. Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923

#### RE: Case No.: FEC 16-635; Respondent: Rodney Miles Kernan

Dear Mr. Miles:

On October 28, 2016, 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 106.1439(1), Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, failed to include an accurate disclaimer in an electioneering communication, as alleged in the complaint.

Section 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, accepted one or more contributions in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 106.08, Florida Statutes, as alleged in the complaint.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for County Court Judge, Group 2, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in one or more campaign reports, as alleged in the complaint.

You may respond to the allegations above by filing a notarized statement providing any information regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding the allegations. Your response will be included as an attachment to the investigator's report.

When we conclude the investigation, a copy of the Report of Investigation will be mailed to you at the above address. You may file a response to the report within 14 days from the date the report is mailed to you. Based on the results of the investigation, legal staff will make a written recommendation to the Commission on whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. A copy of the Staff Recommendation will be mailed

to you and you may file a response within 14 days from the date the recommendation is mailed to you. Your timely filed response(s) will be considered by the Commission when determining probable cause.

The Commission will then hold a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You and the complainant will receive a notice of hearing at least 14 days before the hearing. The notice of hearing will indicate the location, date, and time of your hearing. You will have the opportunity to make a brief oral statement to the Commission, but you will not be permitted to testify or call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence.

At any time before a probable cause finding, you may notify us in writing that you want to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a settlement via consent agreement.

The Report of Investigation, Staff Recommendation, and Notice of Hearing will be mailed to the above address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify this office of your new address. Otherwise, you may not receive these important documents. Failure to receive the documents will not delay the probable cause hearing.

Under section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, are confidential until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the person filing the complaint. However, it does apply to you unless you waive confidentiality in writing. The confidentiality provision does not preclude you from seeking legal counsel. However, if 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.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Keith Smith, the investigator assigned to this case.

Sincerely,

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

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Rodney M. Kernan PO Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923 321-720-7948

November 16, 2016

To: Erin Riley, Florida Elections Commission 107 W. Gaines St, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, FL 32399 RE: Response to Complaint Case No.: FEC 16-635

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Dear Erin Riley:

This is in response to the Complaint filed by Kelly Ingram alleging violations of Florida election laws during the 2016 Campaign for County Court Judge Group 2 in Brevard County. In paragraph 3 of the Confidential Complaint Form FEC 002(Rev 05-05-14), It clearly states for the complainant to "Please list the provisions of the Florida Election Code that you believe the person named above may have violated."

With respect to the allegation in paragraph 1 of the complaint, Mrs. Ingram does not specify which subsection of the Florida Election Code 106.08 that was allegedly violated. However, regarding the allegation that my campaign received more that the statutory limit of \$1000.00 from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC, there were two checks written. After writing a first check of 500.00, I inadvertently wrote the second check for 1000.00 by mistake. Once I realized the error, I immediately within the same reporting period, corrected the error by writing a check back to Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. In addition, I am the only one listed to receive funds from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC as the sole attorney for that entity.

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Sincerely, Rodney M. Kernan

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Re: Attn: Erin Riley, FEC 16-635 Rodney Kernan to: fec 11/17/2016 11:09 AM Hide Details From: Rodney Kernan <rodkernan@gmail.com> To: fec@myfloridalegal.com

1 Attachment



Scanned Response to Complaint Case FEC 16-635.pdf

Dear Erin Riley, Pleas find attached my response to the Complaint. I mailed the original yesterday.

Kind Regards, Rod Kernan

## Rodney M. Kernan

PO Box 458 Cocoa, FL 32923 321-720-7948

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	Cip Code: <u>32926</u>
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A person can be an individual, political committee, committee of continu electioneering communication organization, club, corporation, partnership, other type of organization. (If you intend to name more than one individual complaints.) Name of individual or entity: Rodney Miles Kernan	company, association, or any or entity, please file multiple
Address: P.O. Box 458 F	Phone: $(321)$ 720-7948
City: Cocoa County: Brevard State: FL Z	Lip Code: 32923
If individual is a candidate, list the office or position sought: County C	ourt Judge, Group 2
Have you filed this complaint with the State Attorney's Office? (check	one) 🗌 Yes 🗹 No
<ul> <li>3. <u>ALLEGED_VIOLATION(S):</u>         Please list the provisions of The Florida Election Code that you believe the provision the Commission has jurisdiction only to investigation the following Chapter 106, and Section 105.071, Florida Statutes. Also, please include:     </li> <li>         The facts and actions that you believe support the violations you a The names and telephone numbers of persons you believe may be A copy or picture of the political advertisements you mention in y     </li> </ul>	ing provisions: Chapter 104, allege, witnesses to the facts,
<ul> <li>A copy of the documents you mention in your statement, and</li> <li>Other evidence that supports your allegations.</li> </ul>	
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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF Brevard	
I swear or affirm, that the above infor	mation is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
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Any person who files a complaint while <u>knowing</u> 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.

It is requested that the below violations be investigated. The Florida Bar has reviewed these allegation

- Violation of Florida Statute 106.08 Mr. Kernan accepted campaign donations in excess of the approved limit of \$1,000.00. On April 7, 2015, Mr. Kernan accepted a campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.00 from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. On May 6, 2015, Mr. Kernan accepted another donation in the amount of \$1000.00 from Rodney M. Kernan, LLC. When combining the amount of the two contributions from the same contributor, it is a violation of Florida Statute 106.08. (See attached financial reports dated May 8, 2015 and June 9, 2015, Exhibits A & B).
- 2. Violation Mr. Kernan has has coordinated the activities of his campaign with an Electioneering Communication Organization (ECO), has been a leader in the ECO, and he has publicly opposed an opponent through the guise of the ECO. The named and registered ECO is Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates.

Mr. Kernan orchestrated a negative communication publicly opposing a candidate in the same judicial race as he qualified under the guise of the ECO. The publication reads "Paid electioneering communication paid for by Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates." (See attached copy of communication, Exhibit C). The financial reports for Brevard Citizens for Qualified Candidates does not list any expenditure to the distributor of the communication, All Service Graphics, nor does the financial report of the ECO list *any* expenditure (See Exhibit D). However, Mr. Kernan's financial report dated August 26, 2016 lists an expenditure to the distributor of the communication, All Service Graphics, on August 24, 2016 in the amount of \$10,839.27 (See Exhibit E). This expenditure is consistent with the communication as the communication was delivered to registered voters on or about August 27, 2016. Mr. Kernan has coordinated this communication and financially funded the communication all under the name of the ECO. Additionally, he has misrepresented to the public and registered voters that the communication was from the ECO and not himself.

It is requested that the above violations be investigated and that the proper sanctions are imposed.

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### **CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS**

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### **CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS**

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5/6/2015	Rodney M. Kernan, LLC,	В	law firm	СН			\$1,000.00
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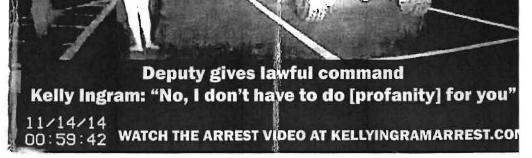


Exhibit C

KELLY INGRAM WAS ARRESTED FOR BATTERY ON A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. ACROSS THE COUNTRY, POLICE OFFICERS ARE BEING DISRESPECTED BY PEOPLE LIK KELLY INGRAM. NOW SHE'S RUNNING FOR JUDGE IN BREVARD COUNTY...



KELLY INGRAM ARRESTED FOR TTERY ON A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND RESISTING ARREST Brevard County Sheriff's Office

700 Park Avenue, Titusville, FL 32780-4095 Case Report 14356402

# ARREST REPORT 11/14/2014

Upon my arrival I observed [BCSO] Deputy attempting to conduct a DUI investigation. As I watched, **Ms. Kelly Ingram (arrestee)** repeatedly yelled into [the] Deputy's face and moved her body very close to his in an attempt to interrupt or interfere with his criminal investigation. I gave several verbal commands for her to step away from [BCSO] Deputy so that he could continue his investigation. **Ms. Ingram** looked at me and said, "F\*\*\* you, I don't have to listen to you!" She then turned back to [BCSO] Deputy and approached him from behind. In an attempt to remove her...I placed my right hand on the defendant's left wrist and the defendant turned around and struck me with her right arm in the chest. I placed **Ms. Ingram** under arrest for Resisting an Officer without violence and Battery LEO. The defendant was then transported to the Brevard County Jail. This entire incident was captured by [BCSO] Deputy's patrol car camera.

# WATCH THE ARREST VIDEO AND READ THE OFFICER'S REPORT AT KELLYINGRAMARREST.COM YOU BE THE JUDGE

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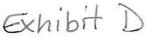
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1	8/15/2016	Citizens United for Liberty an 801 S. Broad Street Brooksville, FL 34601	Political Comm. (Federal or State)	PoliticalCommittee	Check		\$1,000.00
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8/22/2016	Chiropractic, Inc.,		medical office	СН			\$250.00
1	5560 Babcock St. NE Palm Bay, FL 32907						
8/22/2016 / /	Titusville Chiro & Injury Cent, 119 S. Park Ave. Titusville, FL 32796	В	medical office	СН			\$500.00
8/22/2016	David Heinish DC PA,	В	medical office	СН			\$250.00
3	1209 Admiralty Blvd. Rockledge, FL 32955						
8/22/2016	B Greenwald Medical PA, 8929 SE Bridge Rd. Hobe Sound, FL 33455	B	nedical office	СН			\$250.00
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8/25/2016	Florida Today, 1 Gannett Plaza Ave. Melbourne, FL 32940	florida today ad	MO		\$1,4
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