### STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

### In Re: Mary Estime-Irvin

TO: Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131st Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529 Case No.: FEC 17-031

Division of Elections 500 S Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

### NOTICE OF HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, August 14, 2018 at 9:00 am, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: First District Court of Appeal, 2000 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. Due to heightened security access requirements, please bring only essential items into the building and plan to arrive early to allow for delays coming through security.

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### See further instructions on the reverse side.

### <u>Amy McKeever Toman</u>

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission July 30, 2018 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

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

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### STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

### Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

v.

### Case No.: FEC 17-031

Mary Estime-Irvin, Respondent.

### **ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 15, 2018, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On January 19, 2018, 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 November 28, 2016, Respondent violated Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes, when Respondent failed to timely file a 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining funds in her campaign account.

### <u>Count 2:</u>

On or about November 28, 2016, Respondent violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when Respondent deliberately failed include information on her 2016 Termination Report required to be reported by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when she failed to file a 2016 Termination Report.

The Commission further finds there is no probable cause to charge Respondent with

violating Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Florida Elections Commission on May 15, 2018.

M. Scott Thomas, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to: Eric M. Lipman, General Counsel Mary Estime-Irvin, Respondent Division of Elections, 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.

To request a hearing, please send a written request to the Commission Clerk, Donna Ann 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.

### STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

### In Re: Mary Estime-Irvin

TO: Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131st Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529 Case No.: FEC 17-031

Division of Elections 500 S Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

### NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, May 15, 2018 at 9:30 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.

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### <u>Amy McKeever Toman</u>

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

March 20, 2018

Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131<sup>st</sup> Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529

### RE: Case No.: FEC 17-031; Respondent: Mary Estime-Irvin

Dear Ms. Irvin:

The Florida Elections Commission at its last regularly scheduled meeting was unable to hear this case. Therefore, this case has been rescheduled for its next meeting, which is scheduled for May 15-16, 2018 in Tallahassee. A notice of hearing will be mailed approximately 14 days before the hearing noting the exact date, time and location.

If you have any questions, please contact us at the number listed above or at  $\underline{fec@myfloridalegal.com}$ .

Sincerely, *Amy McKeever Toman* Executive Director

AMT/dam cc: Division of Elections, Complainant

### STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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TO: Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Division of Elections 500 S Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

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A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, March 13, 2018 at 10:00 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: Augustus B. Turnbull Conference Center, 555 West Pensacola Street, Room 103, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

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## THIS FILE CONTAINS INFORMATION THAT IS CONFIDENTIAL AND EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES

### STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

### In Re: Mary Estimé-Irvin

### Case No.: FEC 17-031

### **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 Sections 106.141(1) and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, and no probable cause to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on January 3, 2018, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation.

1. On January 27, 2017, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Division of Elections ("Division") alleging Mary Estimé-Irvin ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a candidate for State Representative, District 107, in the 2016 primary election. Respondent's Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form ("DS-DE 9") was filed with the Division on October 2, 2015. Respondent appointed herself as her campaign treasurer. (ROI Exhibit 1)<sup>1</sup>

3. By letter dated October 25, 2017, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following alleged violations:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2016 candidate for State Representative, may have failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because she had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2016 termination reporting period.

Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2016 candidate for State Representative, failed to timely file her 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds.

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

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2016 candidate for State Representative, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in one or more campaign treasurer reports, as required by Chapter 106.

4. By letter dated October 5, 2015, Kristi Reid Bronson, Division of Elections, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, notified Respondent that her name had been placed on the 2016 active candidate list. The letter advised Respondent that all candidates who file reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system ("EFS") and provided Respondent with a user identification number and initial password to access the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1)<sup>2</sup>

5. Ms. Bronson's October 5, 2015 letter further advised Respondent that all the Division's publications and reporting forms were available on the Division's website and directed Respondent to print a copy of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, and the *Calendar of Reporting Dates*. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 3)

6. Respondent's 2016 Termination Report ("TR") covering the dates of August 26, 2016, through November 28, 2016, was due on November 28, 2016. However, Respondent failed to timely file a 2016 TR or a notice that no reportable activity occurred during the termination reporting period. (Attachments A, B, and C)

7. On November 29, 2016, the Division sent Respondent notification that she had not filed a 2016 TR or notice that no reportable activity occurred, whichever was applicable. (ROI Exhibit 3)

8. On January 12, 2017, the Division sent a letter to Respondent marked "Final Notice." The notification stated that the Division had not yet received Respondent's 2016 TR Report or notice that no reportable activity occurred, whichever was applicable. The Division's January 12, 2017 letter was confirmed delivered on January 17, 2017. (ROI Exhibit 4)

9. Investigator Spore obtained copies of Respondent's campaign account records from BankUnited.<sup>3</sup> Respondent's campaign account records show that Respondent had reportable financial activity during the 2016 termination reporting period. (ROI Exhibit 5)

10. On November 30, 2017, Investigator Spore attempted to contact Respondent by telephone at the phone number listed on Respondent's DS-DE 9. Investigator Spore reached a recording that stated the phone number she dialed was not accepting incoming calls at that time. Investigator Spore was not able to leave a message. (ROI Exhibit 1; Attachment D, Phone Log Entry 1)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Kristi Reid Bronson is now known as Kristi Reid Willis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Respondent's campaign bank records were provided to the Commission in a different case.

11. On January 3, 2018, Investigator Spore attempted to contact Respondent by telephone at the phone number listed on Respondent's DS-DE 9. Investigator Spore reached a recording that stated the phone number she dialed was not accepting incoming calls at that time. (ROI Exhibit 1; Attachment D, Phone Log Entry 2)

12. As of January 15, 2018, Respondent has failed to file a 2016 Termination Report. (Attachment C)<sup>4</sup>

13. Based on the information above, it appears Respondent did not fail to notify the filing officer on the prescribed due date for the 2016 TR that no report would be filed because she had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2016 termination reporting period. It also appears Respondent may have failed to timely file her 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds and Respondent may have deliberately failed to include information required to be reported by Chapter 106 by failing to file a 2016 Termination Report.

14. "Probable Cause" is defined as a reasonable ground 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. 1<sup>st</sup> DCA 1995).

15. The above facts show Respondent was an unsuccessful candidate for State Representative, District 107, in the 2016 primary election. Respondent's 2016 Termination Report covering the dates of August 26, 2016, through November 28, 2016, was due on November 28, 2016. However, Respondent failed to timely file a 2016 Termination Report or notice that no reportable activity occurred during the 2016 termination reporting period.

16. The above facts also show that Respondent's campaign bank account records reflect that Respondent had reportable financial activity during the 2016 termination reporting period. Therefore, Respondent was required to file a 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds. Additionally, Respondent deliberately failed to include information required to be reported by Chapter 106 by failing to file a 2016 Termination Report. As of January 15, 2018, Respondent has failed to file a 2016 Termination Report.

Based on the foregoing, I recommend the Commission find probable cause to charge Respondent with the following violations:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Respondent timely filed seven campaign reports prior to the report at issue in this case. (Attachment C)

### Count 1:

On or about November 28, 2016, Respondent violated Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes, when Respondent failed to timely file a 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining funds in her campaign account.

### <u>Count 2:</u>

On or about November 28, 2016, Respondent violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when Respondent deliberately failed include information on her 2016 Termination Report required to be reported by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when she failed to file a 2016 Termination Report.

I further recommend the Commission find no probable cause to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

Respectfully submitted on January 19, 2018.

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Eric M. Lipman General Counsel

I have reviewed this Staff Recommendation on the 14 Way of January 2018.

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

# **Calendar of Reporting Dates** for 2016 Candidates registered with the Division of Elections

Cover Period	Report Code	Due Date
12/01/15 - 12/31/15	2015 M12	01/11/16
01/01/16 - 01/31/16	2016 M1	02/10/16
02/01/16 - 02/29/16	2016 M2	03/10/16
03/01/16 - 03/31/16	2016 M3	04/11/16
04/01/16 - 04/30/16	2016 M4	05/10/16
05/01/16 - 05/31/16	2016 M5	06/10/16
06/01/16 - 06/24/16	2016 P1	07/01/16
06/25/16 - 07/08/16	2016 P2	07/15/16
07/09/16 - 07/22/16	2016 P3	07/29/16
07/23/16 - 07/29/16	2016 P4	08/05/16
07/30/16 - 08/05/16	2016 P5	08/12/16
08/06/16 - 08/12/16	2016 P6	08/19/16
08/13/16 - 08/25/16	2016 P7	08/26/16
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08/26/16 - 09/02/16	2016 G1	09/09/16
09/03/16-09/16/16	2016 G2	09/23/16
09/17/16 - 09/30/16	2016 G3	10/07/16
10/01/16 - 10/07/16	2016 G4	10/14/16
10/08/16 - 10/14/16	2016 G5	10/21/16
10/15/16 - 10/21/16	2016 G6	10/28/16
10/22/16 - 11/03/16	2016 G7	11/04/16

### **Termination Reports**

Cover Period	Report Code	Due Date
After May Qualifying	TR	08/04/16
After June Qualifying	TR	09/22/16
Primary Election	TR	11/28/16
General Election	TR	02/06/17

ATTACHMENT A

### **Eric Lipman**

From:	
Sent:	
To:	
Subject:	

Willis, Kristi R. <Kristi.Willis@DOS.MyFlorida.com> Tuesday, January 16, 2018 9:34 AM Eric Lipman RE: 2016 Primary Election TR Dates

The cover period for the termination report for those candidates defeated in the 2016 primary election was 8-26-16 through 11-28-16.

Regards,

Krístí Reíd Willís, Chíef Bureau of Electíon Records

From: Eric Lipman [mailto:Eric.Lipman@myfloridalegal.com] Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 5:53 PM To: Willis, Kristi R. <Kristi.Willis@DOS.MyFlorida.com> Subject: 2016 Primary Election TR Dates

Kristi,

For candidates who were defeated in the 2016 primary election, what dates were covered in their TR?

Thanks,

Eric M. Lipman, General Counsel Florida Elections Commission 107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 (850) 922-4539 x104

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Name:			Acco	ount: <u>64957</u>					
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		6/10/2016	M5	6/8/2016					
		5/10/2016	M4	5/11/2016	NEN	1	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$0.00
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		3/10/2016	M2	4/6/2016	DFS	27	\$425.91	\$425.91	\$0.00
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### ATTACHMENT C

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### FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 17-031

**Respondent:** Mary Estimè-Irvin **Complainant:** Division of Elections

- Date and time: 11/30/17- 2:41 PM Name: Respondent Phone #: 305-709-7936 Summary: I called Respondent, and immediately reached a recording stating the number I had dialed was not accepting incoming calls at this time. I could not leave a message. Memo to File? No Entered by: S. Spore
- 2. Date and time: 01/03/18-11:27 AM Name: Respondent
  Phone #: 305-709-7936
  Summary: I called Respondent again, and again reached a recording stating the number was not accepting incoming calls at this time.
  Memo to File? No Entered by: S. Spore
- 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 Entered by:
- 6. Date and time: Name: Phone #:

### ATTACHMENT P

### FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Case No.: FEC 17-031

**Respondent:** Mary Estimé-Irvin

**Complainant:** Division of Elections

On January 27, 2017, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Division of Elections alleging that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. Commission staff investigated whether Respondent violated the following statutes:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, failure to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because she had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2016 termination reporting period;

Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes, failure to timely file her 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds; and

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, falsely reporting or deliberately failing to include information in one or more campaign treasurer reports, as required by Chapter 106.

### I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent was a candidate in 2016 for the office of State Representative, District 107. Respondent received 34.76% of the vote in the Democratic primary election, to finish second in a field of two candidates.

2. Complainant is the Division of Elections (Division).

3. Respondent's filing officer is Kristi Willis, Chief, Bureau of Election Records.

### II. Alleged Violation of Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes:

4. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by failing to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because she had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2016 termination reporting (TR) period.

5. On October 2, 2015, Respondent filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and

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Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 9 form) with the Division. Respondent appointed herself as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 9 form, refer to Exhibit 1.

6. On October 5, 2015, the Division mailed Respondent a letter acknowledging receipt of the DS-DE 9 form, and informing her that her name had been placed on the 2016 active candidate list. To view a copy of the October 5, 2015 acknowledgment letter, refer to Exhibit 2.

7. The 2016 TR campaign treasurer's report was due on November 28, 2016. On November 29, 2016, the Division mailed Respondent notification that the 2016 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. To review the November 29, 2016 notification, refer to Exhibit 3.

8. On January 12, 2017, the Division mailed Respondent final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2016 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. To review the January 12, 2017 final notification with delivery confirmation, refer to Exhibit 4.

9. Bank records were received as a result of a subpoena from Respondent's primary depository, BankUnited, on October 3, 2017 in regard to FEC 16-558. A review of these records reflects there was financial activity during the 2016 TR reporting period. To review the campaign account records, refer to Exhibit 5.

### III. Alleged Violation of Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes:

10. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by failing to timely file her 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds.

11. As previously discussed in paragraph 9, bank records reflect financial activity during the 2016 TR reporting period; Exhibit 5.

12. On January 3, 2018, the Division sent an e-mail stating as of that date, there is no record that Respondent has filed a 2016 TR campaign treasurer's report.

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

13. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by falsely reporting or deliberately failing to include information in one or more campaign treasurer reports, as required by Chapter 106.

14. As previously discussed in paragraph 9, bank records reflect financial activity during the 2016 TR reporting period; Exhibit 5.

	Tai	BLE 1: 2016 TR REPORTING PI	ERIOD	
STARTING	BALANCE ON 0	8/26/16		\$-278.04
Date Written	Туре	Title	Deposit	Withdrawal
08/26/16		Customer Deposit	\$350.00	

08/26/16	Fee	Overdraft/NSF		\$35.00
08/29/16	Check #7028	Look Advertising LLC		\$3,000.00
08/30/16		ANEDOT <sup>1</sup>	\$722.25	
08/31/16	Fee	Overdraft/NSF		\$35.00
08/31/16	Fee	Overdraft/NSF		\$35.00
09/01/16		Returned Item	\$120.00	
09/01/16		ATM Deposit	\$500.00	
09/01/16	Fee	Daily OD Fee Charge		\$4.00
09/02/16	Fee	Daily OD Fee Charge		\$4.00
09/06/16	Fee	Daily OD Fee Charge		\$4.00
09/07/16	Fee	Daily OD Fee Charge		\$4.00
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 $^{1}\,\text{ANEDOT}$  is an online fundraising donation collection website.

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TOTAL			\$-2,279.79
09/30/16	Closing Transaction Charge Off	\$2,279.79	
CLOSING TRANS	ACTION TOTAL	•	\$0.00

15. As previously discussed in paragraph 12, as of the date of this report, a 2016 TR campaign treasurer's report has not been filed with the Division.

16. Bank records indicate that the campaign depository was closed on September 30, 2016, with BankUnited charging off the loss, a negative balance of \$2,279.79.

### V. FEC History:

17. Respondent has had multiple automatic-fine cases before the Florida Elections Commission (Commission). In the matter of <u>FEC 16-085</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$100.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-175</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-176</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$425.91, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-536</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$586.25, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-600</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order.

### **Conclusion:**

18. Respondent was offered several opportunities to make comments regarding the findings of this investigation. Respondent has not returned my telephone calls or a questionnaire-affidavit. I am unable to ascertain whether she has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and/or the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*.

19. In the October 5, 2015 acknowledgment letter, Respondent was informed that all of the Division's publications were available online at the Division's website. In the letter, Respondent was admonished as follows: It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code; Exhibit 2.

20. On October 2, 2015, Respondent filed her Statement of Candidate for Florida State Representative, District 107 acknowledging that she had been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. To view a copy of the Statement of Candidate, refer to Exhibit 6.

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Respectfully submitted on January 3, 2018.

Samantha Spore Investigation Specialist

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### **Current address of Respondent**

Ms. Mary Estimé-Irvin 155 NE 131<sup>st</sup> Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529

### **Current address of Complainant**

Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

Name and Address of Filing Officer:

Ms. Kristi Reid-Bronson Chief of Bureau of Election Records 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

Copy furnished to: Mr. David Flagg, Investigations Manager

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Mary Estimé-Irvin -- FEC 17-031

	LIST OF EXHIBITS					
Exhibits #s	Description of Exhibits					
Exhibit 1	October 2, 2015 DS-DE 9 Form					
Exhibit 2	October 5, 2015 Acknowledgment Letter					
Exhibit 3	November 29, 2016 Notification					
Exhibit 4	January 12, 2017 Final Notification with Delivery Confirmation					
Exhibit 5	Campaign Account Records					
Exhibit 6	October 2, 2015 Statement of Candidate					

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT 0 STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

October 5, 2015

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, Florida 33261

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvine:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for the office of State Representative, which was placed on file in our office on October 2, 2015. Your name has been placed on the 2016 active candidate list.

### **Campaign Treasurer's Reports**

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **November 10, 2015**. The report will cover the period of October 1-31, 2015 (M10). All candidates who file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

### Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and your user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. You, your campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting these passwords from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

EFS Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 64957



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Division of Elections R.A. Gray Building, Suite 316 • 500 South Bronough Street • Tallahassee, Florida 32399 850.245.6240 • 850.245.6260 (Fax) dos.myflorida.com/elections/ Promoting Florida's History and Culture VivaFlorida.org  $\bigcirc$ 

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### **Pin Numbers**

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update personal information. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your confidential pin numbers.

Each candidate is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that password is forgotten or lost. When you enter the campaign account screen, there will be a drop down box where you pick a question (such as *What is your mother's maiden name?*) and supply an answer. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by Division staff and given out over the phone. Please notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

### **Timely Filing**

All reports filed must be completed and filed through the EFS no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

### **Electronic Receipts**

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each campaign treasurer's report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath by the candidate and campaign treasurer and such persons are subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

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### **Instructions and Assistance**

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280.

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 29, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261-3261

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your termination report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was November 28, 2016.

The law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) requires the filing officer to immediately notify you about the missed filing date and the automatic fines that will be assessed for late filing of a report, if a report was due.

- If reportable activity occurred and you have not filed a report, statutory fines are automatically assessed as \$50 per day until you file your report. The total fine for the untimely report cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the cover period. Even if you end up filing your report late, we cannot waive the statutory fines. We will notify you of the specific amount of fines owed once you file your report. You have 20 days from the day you receive the notice to pay the fine or to appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission.
- If no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to notify us in writing, via the Division's Electronic Filing System, that no reportable activity occurred. No automatic fines are statutorily assessed.

However, in all cases, failure to file and/or untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

If you have any questions, please contact the help desk at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State

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January 12, 2017

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261-3261

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Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received your termination report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable.

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report or notification is not filed within 7 days of receipt of this letter, the Division will refer this matter to the Florida Elections Commission, which may impose civil penalties of up to \$1000 per violation, apart from that automatic fine provisions of s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) that are applicable only to campaign finance reports.

As we stated in the prior notices, even if you now file the report or notification, the untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

If you have any questions, please contact the help desk at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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08/17/2016	Customer Deposit	<b>\$20100</b>	\$2,100.00	\$3,985.35
08/17/2016	650 OPA LOCKA BLVD	\$14.77	42,100,00	\$3,970.58
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08/17/2016	CHECK #7040	\$80.00		\$3,370.58
08/17/2016	CHECK #7040	\$40.00		\$3,290.58 \$3,250.58
08/18/2016	PRIORITY CHECK #7057	\$160.00		\$3,090.58
08/18/2016	PRIORITY CHECK #7058	\$160.00		\$2,930.58
08/18/2016	PRIORITY CHECK #7060	\$250.00		\$2,680.58
08/18/2016	CHECK #7043	\$40.00		\$2,640.58
08/18/2016	CHECK #7052	\$250.00		\$2,390.58
08/19/2016	Customer Deposit	\$200,000	\$750.00	\$3,140.58
08/19/2016	CHECK #7053	\$300,00	<i></i>	\$2,840.58
08/19/2016	CHECK #7054	\$237.00		\$2,603.58
08/22/2016	OFFICE MAX/OFFI 122	\$92.55		\$2,511.03
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08/22/2016	PRIORITY CHECK #7069	\$400.00		\$2,041.96
08/22/2016	PRIORITY CHECK #7080	\$200.00		\$1,841.96
08/22/2016	CHECK #7047	\$80.00		\$1,761.96
08/22/2016	CHECK #7061	\$200.00		\$1,561.96
08/22/2016	CHECK #7063	\$40.00		\$1,521.96
08/22/2016	CHECK #7067	\$250.00		\$1,271.96
08/22/2016	CHECK #7070	\$240.00		\$1,031.96
08/22/2016	CHECK #7075	\$340.00		\$691.96
08/23/2016	Customer Deposit		\$500.00	\$1,191.96
08/23/2016	Customer Deposit		\$500.00	\$1,691.96
08/23/2016	CHECK #7064	\$40.00		\$1,651.96
08/23/2016	CHECK #7065	\$130.00		\$1,521.96
08/23/2016	CHECK #7076	\$260.00		\$1,261.96
08/23/2016	CHECK #7082	\$240.00		\$1,021.96
08/25/2016	PRIORITY CHECK #7072	\$160.00		\$861.96
08/25/2016	CHECK #7066	\$60.00		\$801.96
08/25/2016	CHECK #7068	\$250.00		\$551.96
08/25/2016 08/25/2016	CHECK #7079 CHECK #7083	\$80.00		\$471.96
08/26/2016	Customer Deposit	\$750.00	\$350.00	\$-278.04 \$71.96
08/26/2016	Overdraft/NSF C00000000007083	\$35.00	\$330.00	\$36.96
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08/30/2016	CHECK #7084	\$350.00	•	\$-2,590.79
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7021	08/05	\$100.00	7043*	08/18	\$40.00	7064	08/23	\$40.0
7024*	08/01	\$240.00	7044	08/15	\$80.00	7065	08/23	\$130.0
7025	08/10	\$250.00	7045	08/15	\$185.00	7066	08/25	\$60.0
7026	08/02	\$100.00	7046	08/16	\$120.00	7067	08/22	\$250.0
7027	08/10	\$210.00	7047	08/22	\$80.00	7068	08/25	\$250.0
7028	08/30	\$3,000.00	7048	08/12	\$200.00	7069	08/22	\$400.0
7029	08/15	\$225.00	7049	08/15	\$120.00	7070	08/22	\$240.0
7030	08/10	\$130.00	7050	08/15	\$120.00	7072*	08/25	\$160.0
7031	08/11 ·	\$250.00	7051	08/16	\$500.00	7075*	08/22	\$340.0
7032	08/11	\$200.00	7052	08/18	\$250.00	7076	08/23	\$260.0
7033	08/15	\$550.00	7053	08/19	\$300.00	7077	08/31	\$120.0
7034	08/17	\$300.00	7054	08/19	\$237.00	7079*	08/25	\$80.0
7035	08/15	\$80.00	7055	08/17	\$300.00	7080	08/22	\$200.0
7036	08/15	\$80.00	7057*	08/18	\$160.00	7082*	08/23	\$240.0
7037	08/15	\$40.00	7058	08/18	\$160.00	7083	08/25	\$750.0
7038	08/16	\$40.00	7060*	08/18	\$250.00	7084	08/30	\$350.0
7040*	08/17	\$80.00	7061	08/22	\$200.00			• • • • • •
7041	08/17	\$40.00	7063*	08/22	\$40.00			

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07/31	\$2,110.01	08/08	\$3,146.08	08/16	\$7.060.35	08/23	\$1.021.96
08/01	\$1,832.43	08/10	\$2,385,04	08/17	\$3,250.58	08/25	\$-278.04
08/02	\$3,751.17	08/11	\$10.725.81	08/18	\$2,390.58	08/26	\$36.96
08/03	\$3.351.17	08/12	\$10,491.65	08/19	\$2,603.58	08/30	\$-2,590,79
08/05	\$3,211.08	08/15	\$8.348.98	08/22	\$691.96	08/31	\$-2.819.79

### **Other Balances**

Minimum Balance this Statement Period

#### \$-2,819.79

#### **Statement Messages**

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### PRIMARY BUSINESS CHECKING Account \*\*\*\*\*\*\*1649

Account Se	ummary				
Statement Ba	alance as of 08/31/2016				\$-2,819.79
Plus 3 Less 0 Less Plus		3	Deposits and Other Credits		\$2,899.79
		0	Withdrawals, Checks, and Other Debits	\$0.00 \$80.00 \$0.00	
			Service Charge		
			Interest Paid		
Statement Balance as of 09/30/2016				\$0.00	
Activity By	Date				
<b>Date</b> 09/01/2016 09/01/2016	Description Returned Item 12290 BISCAYNE BLVD N MIAMI FL 0265 ATM RF#006555 BANKUNITED		Withdrawals	<b>Deposits</b> \$120.00 \$500.00	<b>Balance</b> \$-2,699.79 \$-2,199.79
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	ATM RF#006555 BANKUNITED		
09/01/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,203.79
09/02/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,207.79
09/06/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	· \$4.00	\$-2,211.79
09/07/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,215.79
09/08/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,219.79
09/09/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,223.79
09/12/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,227.79
09/13/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,231.79
09/14/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,235.79
09/15/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,239.79
09/16/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,243.79
09/19/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,247.79
09/20/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,251.79
09/21/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,255.79
09/22/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,259.79
09/23/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,263.79
09/26/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	, \$4.00	\$-2,267.79
09/27/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,271.79
09/28/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,275.79
09/29/2016	Daily OD Fee Charge	\$4.00	\$-2,279.79
09/30/2016	CLOSING TRANSACTION CHARGE OFF	\$2,279	.79 \$0.00

NOTE: SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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09/01	\$-2,203.79	09/12	\$-2,227.79	09/20	\$-2,251.79	09/28	\$-2,275.79
09/02	\$-2,207.79	09/13	\$-2,231.79	09/21	\$-2,255.79	09/29	\$-2,279.79
09/06	\$-2,211.79	09/14	\$-2,235.79	09/22	\$-2,259.79	09/30	\$0.00
09/07	\$-2,215.79	09/15	\$-2,239.79	09/23	\$-2,263.79		
09/08	\$-2,219.79	09/16	\$-2,243.79	09/26	\$-2,267.79		



### **Other Balances**

Minimum Balance this Statement Period

\$-2,819.79

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 Telephone: (850) 922-4539 Fax: (850) 921-0783 www.fec.state.fl.us; fec@myfloridalegal.com

October 25, 2017

Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131<sup>st</sup> Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529

#### RE: Case No.: FEC 17-031; Respondent: Mary Estime-Irvin

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

On January 27, 2017, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws. I have reviewed the complaint and find that it contains one or more **legally sufficient allegations**. The Commission staff will investigate the following alleged violations:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2016 candidate for State Representative, may have failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because she had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2016 termination reporting period.

Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2016 candidate for State Representative, failed to timely file her 2016 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2016 candidate for State Representative, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in one or more campaign treasurer reports, as required by Chapter 106.

When we conclude the investigation, a copy of the Report of Investigation (ROI) will be mailed to you at the above address. Based on the results of the investigation, a staff attorney will make a written recommendation (Staff Recommendation or SR) to the Commission as to whether there is probable cause to charge respondent with violating Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will have an opportunity to respond to both the ROI and the SR. The Commission will then hold

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one or more hearings to determine whether the alleged violations occurred and, if so, the amount of the fine to be imposed. You and the complainant will receive notice at least 14 days before any hearing at which your case is to be considered.

Please note that all documents related to this matter will be mailed to the above address unless you **notify us of a new address**. Also, please remember that complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes, are **confidential** until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause.

For additional information, please refer to the "Frequently Asked Questions" section of the Commission's website (<u>www.fec.state.fl.us</u>).

If you have additional questions, please contact **Samantha Spore**, the investigator assigned to this case at extension 110.

Sincerely,

Amy McKeever oman Executive Director

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS RECEIVED

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To FEC from Division of Elections

STATE OF FLORIDA

Name:Mary Estime-IrvinAccount Number:64957Treasurer:Mary Estime-Irvin

The Division of Elections hereby provides this notice to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to Sections 106.07(8)(d), 106.22(7) and 106.25, Florida Statutes. An apparent violation of Chapter 106, F.S., has occurred based upon the candidate's alleged failure to file a report after notice as required by section 106.07(8)(d), Florida Statutes, or failure to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report was to be filed as required by Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

The following report or notice is outstanding after notification:

2016 TR

Sent By:Kristi Reid BronsonDate:January 25, 2017

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# AFFIDAVIT

## **STATE OF FLORIDA**

#### **County of Leon**

#### Kristi Reid Bronson, being duly sworn, says:

- 1. I am the Chief of the Bureau of Election Records of the Division of Elections (Division). In that capacity, I oversee the Division's duties related to the filing of campaign finance reports.
- 2. This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge, including information obtained from review of the attached records, of which I am the custodian.
- 3. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.
- 4. Mary Estime-Irvin (64957) was a 2016 candidate for the office of State Representative.
- 5. On October 2, 2015, Ms. Estime-Irvin filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository with the Division. She appointed herself as treasurer. (See attached documents and acknowledgment letter.)
- 6. The 2016 TR campaign treasurer's report was due on November 28, 2016. On November 29, 2016, the Division mailed Ms. Estime-Irvin notification that the 2016 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. (See attached letter.)
- 7. On January 12, 2017, the Division mailed Ms. Estime-Irvin final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2016 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. (See attached letter with delivery confirmation.)
- 8. Ms. Estime-Irvin did not notify the Division of Elections prior to or on the prescribed reporting date for the 2016 TR report that no report was to be filed.

9. As of January 25, 2017, Ms. Estime-Irvin has not filed the 2016 TR report.

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

Signatyre of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known

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# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor

KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

October 5, 2015

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, Florida 33261

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvine:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for the office of State Representative, which was placed on file in our office on October 2, 2015. Your name has been placed on the 2016 active candidate list.

#### **Campaign Treasurer's Reports**

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on November 10, 2015. The report will cover the period of October 1-31, 2015 (M10). All candidates who file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

#### Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and your user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. You, your campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting these passwords from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

EFS Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 64957



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### <u>Pin Numbers</u>

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update personal information. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your confidential pin numbers.

Each candidate is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that password is forgotten or lost. When you enter the campaign account screen, there will be a drop down box where you pick a question (such as *What is your mother's maiden name?*) and supply an answer. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by Division staff and given out over the phone. Please notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

# **<u>Timely Filing</u>**

All reports filed must be completed and filed through the EFS no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

#### **Electronic Receipts**

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each campaign treasurer's report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath by the candidate and campaign treasurer and such persons are subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

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# Instructions and Assistance

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280.

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>http://dos.mvflorida.com/elections/</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures



# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 29, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261-3261

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your termination report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was November 28, 2016.

The law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) requires the filing officer to immediately notify you about the missed filing date and the automatic fines that will be assessed for late filing of a report, if a report was due.

- If reportable activity occurred and you have not filed a report, statutory fines are automatically assessed as \$50 per day until you file your report. The total fine for the untimely report cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the cover period. Even if you end up filing your report late, we cannot waive the statutory fines. We will notify you of the specific amount of fines owed once you file your report. You have 20 days from the day you receive the notice to pay the fine or to appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission.
- If no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to notify us in writing, via the Division's Electronic Filing System, that no reportable activity occurred. No automatic fines are statutorily assessed.

However, in all cases, failure to file and/or untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

If you have any questions, please contact the help desk at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records CAN 64957



### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State

### DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

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January 12, 2017

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261-3261

CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received your termination report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable.

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report or notification is not filed within 7 days of receipt of this letter, the Division will refer this matter to the Florida Elections Commission, which may impose civil penalties of up to \$1000 per violation, apart from that automatic fine provisions of s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) that are applicable only to campaign finance reports.

As we stated in the prior notices, even if you now file the report or notification, the untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

If you have any questions, please contact the help desk at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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