

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Committee of the Islands, Inc.

Case No.: FEC 22-488

TO: Larry Schopp, Chair
PO Box 88
Sanibel, FL 33957

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

NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **May 17, 2023 at 8:30**, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: Via Webinar Registration URL:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/571953185404345941>

Audio participation:
1-877-309-2074

Attendee – muted:
966-952-589

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

See further instructions on the reverse side.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
May 2, 2023

Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

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

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

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

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

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

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

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
CASE REPORT
Case Number: FEC 22-488

NAME: COMMITTEE OF THE ISLANDS, INC.

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 11/14/2022

DATE REPORT DUE: 10/21/2022 (2022 G4A)

DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT: 10/22/2022

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 1

AMOUNT OF FINE: \$8.75

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

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$35.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$1.25

DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION: 10/24/2022 (Fine Ltr)

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

SUMMARY: Committee of the Islands, Inc. is a political committee (PC) registered with the State of Florida. The PC's chair is Lawrence M. Schopp, and its treasurer is Chet Sadler.

The PC is appealing the fine. According to Mr. Schopp, circumstances surrounding Hurricane Ian and the state of emergency on Sanibel Island prevented the committee from filing the campaign report timely.

- The 2022 G4A Original Report covers the period from 10/08/22-10/14/22; it was due on 10/21/22.
- The 2022 G4A Queued Transaction Report shows that it was created and filed on 10/22/22.
- Committee of the Islands, Inc. reported receiving 1 contribution while making 1 expenditure.
- The Division of Elections does not have any notes that pertain to Committee of the Islands, Inc.'s 2022 G4A report.

PRIOR CASES: FEC 20-130 (AF) - NUC



November 11, 2022

TO: To the Florida Elections Commission

RE: PAC 74042 – COTI filing delays due to hurricane

We are in receipt of a letter from Bureau of Elections Chief Donna S. Brown dated October 24 and received on November 10 by Committee of the Islands (COTI) Treasurer Chet Sadler – forwarded to his temporary location due to Hurricane Ian. He immediately emailed it to Barbara Freeman, who prepares and submits state reports for COTI, and she immediately replied to Chief Brown.

The letter noted one late report filed on October 8 (due October 7). Unfortunately, since then, due to circumstances resulting from the state of emergency on Sanibel Island that began September 27, other reports have been filed after the deadlines. Barbara is now on track to file the report due December 12 and future reports on time, as she has consistently done in the past.

I am requesting that the state waive any fines COTI might otherwise incur due to inability to file the reports. Barbara's home on Sanibel Island sustained major damage from Hurricane Ian. She has had to relocate three times in the past six weeks and, as a widow, is working alone to make all the arrangements to bring her house back to a habitable state. Internet service has been intermittent and is still not up and running on Sanibel, where she goes nearly every day from her temporary lodging to oversee demolition at her house and try to salvage some of her belongings. The calendar she used to keep track of filing dates was submerged in the storm surge at her house.

While Barbara has always been very responsible about filing reports on time from her home office, and even filed the report on October 8 while evacuated to Miami and another on October 22 from her second temporary location, the filing dates were not uppermost in her mind after the storm or especially when demolition crews started working on her house.

When she realized a report might be due and went online to check in the early hours of November 9, she found that several daily deadlines had passed. She immediately filed those reports, which show no contributions and one expenditure.

Treasurer Chet Sadler is in every bit as dire a situation and has temporarily relocated to an out-of-state location while trying to arrange for major repairs to his home on Sanibel. Because the letter from Chief Brown had to be forwarded to him from the temporary postal site, which has also experienced delays, there was a further delay. Otherwise, we might have been able to file more reports on time. I, too, am trying to manage repairs to my Sanibel home from a distance.

Due to the unique circumstances brought about by Hurricane Ian, I hope you will waive any fees or penalties associated with COTI's delay in filing recent reports, with the assurance that future reports will be filed on or before the deadlines, as they were before the storm.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Larry Schopp, President
Committee of the Islands
PO Box 88, Sanibel FL 33957
info@COTI.org
larryschopp@aol.com



Request for waiver of penalties
LAWRENCE SCHOPP to: fec

11/14/2022 09:31 AM

From: "LAWRENCE SCHOPP" <larryschopp@aol.com>
To: fec@myfloridalegal.com

History: This message has been replied to and forwarded.

1 attachment



2022 11-11 - letter for FEC from President Larry Schopp-2.pdf

Members of the Florida Elections Commission,
The attached letter is being submitted in behalf of Committee of the
Islands.

Respectfully,
Lawrence Schopp
President / Chairman

Sent from my iPad

**STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 22-01
(Emergency Management/Elections – Hurricane Ian)**

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 22-218 regarding Tropical Depression Nine and declared a state of emergency in 24 counties; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2022, Tropical Depression Nine strengthened into Tropical Storm Ian, and Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 22-219 reaffirming his previous order and declaring a state-wide emergency; and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2022, Tropical Storm Ian strengthened into Hurricane Ian with maximum sustained winds of 85 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2022, Hurricane Ian continued to strengthen, increasing its maximum sustained winds to 125 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2022, Hurricane Ian made landfall off the coast of Fort Myers as a category 4 hurricane with sustained winds of approximately 150 miles per hour, traveled across the peninsula, and exited the state from Cape Canaveral on September 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS, because Hurricane Ian inflicted catastrophic storm surge and wind damage along its path, a major disaster has been declared in affected areas of the State; and

WHEREAS, numerous county Supervisors of Elections have experienced office closures, and utility and telecommunication disruptions have occurred across the state; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Executive Order 22-218, as amended by Executive Order 22-219, allows state agencies to suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute, order, or rule, if strict compliance with the provisions of the statute, order, or rule would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the devastation and destruction of Hurricane Ian has affected the ability of candidates, including those participating in matching funds, political committees, and electioneering communication organizations to file timely campaign finance reports without jeopardizing ongoing efforts to cope with the emergency; and

WHEREAS, compliance with upcoming campaign finance and state campaign matching fund deadlines will unnecessarily detract from response and recovery activities in the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Ian.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORD BYRD, as Florida Secretary of State, by the authority vested in me by Executive Order 22-218, as amended by Executive Order 22-219, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Emergency Order, to take effect immediately:

Section 1. The filing deadline for campaign finance reports contained in Sections 106.07(1) and 106.0703(1), Florida Statutes, is suspended until Friday, October 7, 2022. Accordingly, any reports that would otherwise be due on September 30, 2022, shall be filed no later than October 7, 2022.

Section 2. This order shall remain in effect as stated above or until modified by order of the Florida Secretary of State.

Executed this 30th day of September 2022, in Florida Department of State, Office of the Secretary, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.




Cord Byrd
Florida Secretary of State

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FL
2022 SEP 30 AM 8:00

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Cord Byrd

Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

October 24, 2022

Christine P. Andrews, Chairperson
Committee of the Islands, Inc.
1119 Periwinkle Way #112
Sanibel, FL 33957

PAC 74042

Dear Ms. Andrews:

The campaign treasurer's report that was due on October 21, 2022, was filed on October 22, 2022. By law, you are automatically assessed a late fine of \$8.75.

You have 20 days from the receipt of this notice to either:

1. Pay the fine to the Florida Division of Elections (For a candidate only, a fine is not an allowable campaign expenditure and must be paid from personal funds) at:

*Florida Division of Elections
R.A. Gray Building, Room. 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-025011*

2. Appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission (See Rules 2B-1.005 and 2B-1.0055, Florida Administrative Code) at:

*Florida Elections Commission
107 West Gaines Street, Ste. 224
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0150*

If you appeal, please send a copy also to the Florida Division of Elections so that you will not receive further notices from the Division about this matter.

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

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

(1) Committee of the Islands, Inc. (2) 74042
 Candidate, Committe or Party Name I.D. Number

(3) Post Office Box 88 Sanibel FL 33957
 Address (number and street) City State Zip Code

Check box if address has changed since last report

(4) Check appropriate box(es):

Candidate (office sought):
 Political Committee Check If PC has DISBANDED
 Committee of Continuous Existance Check If CCE has DISBANDED
 Party Executive Committee

(5) REPORT IDENTIFIERS

Cover Period: From 10/08/2022 To 10/14/2022 Report Type: G4A

Original Amendment Special Election Report

(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT

Cash & Checks	\$35.00
Loans	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$35.00
In-Kind	\$0.00

(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT

Monetary Expenditures	\$1.25
Transfers to Office Account	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$1.25

(8) Other Distributions

Certification

It is a first degree misdemeanor for any person to falsify a public record (ss.839.13, F.S.)

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

Name of Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

X
Signature

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

Name of Candidate Chairman (PC/PTY Only)

X
Signature

Name: Committee of the Islands, Inc.Report: 2022 G4APeriod: 10/08/2022 to 10/14/2022**** Records in Filed Report ****

Seq #	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle)	Contributor	Occupation	Amount
Date	Street Address & City, State, Zip	Type	In-Kind Description	Amend
1	LAMBIASE, HELEN	I	RETIRED	\$35.00
10/12/2022	281 KENT DRIVE EAST GREENWICH, CT 02818	CHE		

Name: Committee of the Islands, Inc.Report: 2022 G4APeriod: 10/08/2022 to 10/14/2022**** Records in Filed Report ****

Seq #	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle)	Type	Purpose	Amount
Date	Street Address & City, State, Zip			Amend
1	CLUBEXPRESS	MON	COLLECTION FEE	\$1.25
10/12/2022	1081 PERIMETER DRIVE, SUITE 350 SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173			

ID: **CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED FUND TRANSFERS**

Name: Committee of the Islands, Inc. Report: 2022 G4A Period: 10/08/2022 to 10/14/2022

**** Records in Filed Report ****

Seq # Date	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip	Type	Nature of Account	Amount Amend

ID:

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED DISTRIBUTIONS

Name: Committee of the Islands, Inc.

Report: 2022 G4A

Period: 10/08/2022 to 10/14/2022

**** Records in Filed Report ****

Seq #	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle)	Recipient	Purpose	Amount
Date	Street Address & City, State, Zip	Type	Related Expenditure	Amend

Queued Items for 2022-G4A

Account: 74042

Committee of the Islands, Inc.

Rpt Seq: 81

<i>ProcessDescription</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Created</i>	<i>LastUpdate</i>
Create Pending Report	Processing Complete	74042	10/22/2022 10:07:48 PM	10/22/2022 10:07:48 PM
Recalc Pending Report Total	Processing Complete	74042	10/22/2022 10:20:28 PM	10/22/2022 10:20:28 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	74042	10/22/2022 10:20:44 PM	10/22/2022 10:20:44 PM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	74042	10/22/2022 10:21:25 PM	10/22/2022 10:21:25 PM



Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Name:

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Committee Name: Committee of the Islands, Inc.

Account: 74042

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
4/10/2023	M3	4/10/2023						
3/10/2023	M2	3/10/2023						
2/10/2023	M1	2/12/2023	APP	2	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$0.00
1/27/2023	SP1	1/27/2023						
1/10/2023	M12	1/4/2023						
12/12/2022	M11	12/4/2022						
11/4/2022	G6	11/9/2022	SNT	5	\$20.34		\$20.34	\$0.00
11/3/2022	D6	11/9/2022	SNT	6	\$20.34		\$20.34	\$0.00
11/2/2022	D5	11/9/2022	PEN	7	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
11/1/2022	D4	11/9/2022	PEN	8	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/31/2022	D3	11/9/2022	PEN	9	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/30/2022	D2	11/9/2022	PEN	10	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/29/2022	D1	11/9/2022	CLO	11	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/28/2022	G5	11/9/2022	CLO	12	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/21/2022	G4A	10/22/2022	APP	1	\$8.75		\$8.75	\$0.00
10/14/2022	G4	10/8/2022						
10/7/2022	G3	9/26/2022						
10/7/2022	G3A	10/8/2022	CLO	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
9/23/2022	G2A	9/26/2022	CLO	3	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
9/16/2022	G2	9/15/2022						
9/9/2022	G1A	9/3/2022						
9/2/2022	G1	8/29/2022						
8/26/2022	P7A	8/23/2022						
8/19/2022	P7	8/19/2022						
8/12/2022	P6	8/11/2022						
8/5/2022	P5	8/3/2022						
7/29/2022	P4	7/23/2022						
7/22/2022	P3	7/18/2022						
7/15/2022	P2A	7/9/2022						
7/8/2022	P2	7/2/2022						
7/1/2022	P1A	6/30/2022						
6/24/2022	P1	6/23/2022						
6/10/2022	M5	6/9/2022						
5/10/2022	M4	5/5/2022						
4/11/2022	M3	4/9/2022						
3/10/2022	M2	3/9/2022						
2/10/2022	M1	2/10/2022						
1/10/2022	M12	1/10/2022						
12/10/2021	M11	12/10/2021						
11/10/2021	M10	11/6/2021						
10/12/2021	M9	10/12/2021						
9/10/2021	M8	9/10/2021						
8/10/2021	M7	8/10/2021						
7/12/2021	M6	7/12/2021						
6/10/2021	M5	6/8/2021						
5/10/2021	M4	5/10/2021						
4/12/2021	M3	4/10/2021						
3/10/2021	M2	3/10/2021						
2/10/2021	M1	2/8/2021						
1/11/2021	M12	1/11/2021						
12/10/2020	M11	12/9/2020						
11/10/2020	M10	10/31/2020						
10/30/2020	G6	10/30/2020						
10/29/2020	D6	10/30/2020	FOI	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/28/2020	D5	10/30/2020	FOI	2	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/27/2020	D4	10/26/2020						
10/26/2020	D3	10/26/2020						
10/25/2020	D2	10/26/2020	FOI	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00

10/24/2020	D1	10/26/2020	FOI	2	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10/23/2020	G5	10/21/2020					
10/16/2020	G4A	10/14/2020					
10/9/2020	G4	10/5/2020					
10/2/2020	G3A	9/25/2020					
9/25/2020	G3	9/24/2020					
9/18/2020	G2A	9/18/2020					
9/11/2020	G2	9/11/2020					
9/4/2020	G1A	8/28/2020					
8/28/2020	G1	8/22/2020					
8/21/2020	P7A	8/19/2020					
8/14/2020	P7	8/13/2020					
8/7/2020	P6	8/2/2020					
7/31/2020	P5	7/30/2020					
7/24/2020	P4	7/19/2020					
7/17/2020	P3	7/12/2020					
7/10/2020	P2A	7/6/2020					
7/3/2020	P2	7/2/2020					
6/26/2020	P1A	6/22/2020					
6/19/2020	P1	6/17/2020					
6/10/2020	M5	6/6/2020					
5/11/2020	M4	5/25/2020	CLO	14	\$1,322.50	\$1,322.50	\$1,322.50
4/10/2020	M3	4/10/2020					
3/10/2020	M2	3/8/2020					
2/10/2020	M1	2/7/2020					
1/10/2020	M12	1/10/2020					
12/10/2019	M11	12/10/2019					
11/12/2019	M10	11/10/2019					
10/10/2019	M9	10/11/2019	FOI	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
9/10/2019	M8	9/10/2019					
8/12/2019	M7	8/10/2019					
7/10/2019	M6	7/10/2019					
6/10/2019	M5	6/10/2019					
5/10/2019	M4	5/9/2019					
4/10/2019	M3	4/9/2019					
3/11/2019	M2	3/10/2019					
2/11/2019	M1	2/10/2019					



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

RON DESANTIS
Governor

MICHAEL ERTEL
Secretary of State

January 16, 2019

Michael I. Miller, Chairperson
Committee of the Islands, Inc.
Post Office Box 1259
Sanibel, Florida 33957

Dear Mr. Miller:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Committee of the Islands, Inc.**, which were placed on file in our office on January 15, 2019. This information appears to comply with the requirements of Section 106.03, Florida Statutes, and the name of this organization has been placed on our active committee list as a political committee.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **February 11, 2019**. The report will cover the period of January 1-31, 2019 (2019 M1). All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

EFS Access

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's filing credentials.

EFS Website Address: <https://efs.dos.state.fl.us>
Identification Number: 74042

Timely Filing

All reports 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

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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, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any political committee failing to file a report on the designated due date is subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per 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 chairperson and campaign treasurer and such persons are subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

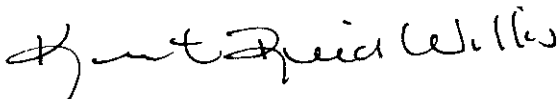
Instructions and Assistance

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 <http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/>. 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: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, *Political Committee Handbook*, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/zjs

Enclosures

pc: Susan Tucker, Treasurer

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR
POLITICAL COMMITTEES**
(Sections 106.011(2) and 106.021(1), F.S.)

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Initial Filing for: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

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1. Committee
Committee of the Islands, Inc.

2. Telephone
(239) 472-7257

3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer 4. Email (optional)
Chet Sadler chet@sanibelrotary.org

5. Telephone (optional)
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6. Mailing Address
9454 Begonia Court, Sanibel FL 33957

7. Street Address
9454 Begonia Court, Sanibel FL 33957

8. The following bank has been designated as the Primary Depository Secondary Depository

9. Name of Bank
Bank of the Islands

10. Street Address
1699 Periwinkle Way

11. City
Sanibel

12. State
FL

13. Zip Code
33957

14. Signature of Chairman
X *Christine P Andrews*

15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type)
Christine P Andrews

Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

I, **Chet Sadler**, do hereby accept the appointment as
(Please Print or Type)
treasurer or deputy treasurer for Committee of the Islands, Inc.
(Committee)

**UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S
ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AND THAT THE FACTS STATED ARE TRUE.**

5/15/2020

Date

X *Chet Sadler*
Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE

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1. Full Name of Committee

COMMITTEE OF THE ISLANDS, INC.

Telephone

239 955 2655

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code)

P.O. BOX 88
SANIBEL, FLORIDA 33957

Street Address (include city, state and zip code)

5700 PINE TREE DRIVE
SANIBEL, FL. 33957

2. Affiliated or Connected Organizations (includes other committees of continuous existence and political committees)

Name of Affiliated or Connected Organization	Mailing Address	Relationship
NONE		

3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee SUPPORT AND OPPOSITION FOR
SANIBEL, FLORIDA, CANDIDATES & BALLOT ISSUES

4. Nature of Organization or Organization's Special Interest (e.g., medical, legal, education, etc.)

GOOD GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

5. Identify by Name, Address and Position, the Custodian of Books and Accounts (include treasurer's name)

Full Name	Mailing Address	Committee Title or Position
CHET SADDLER	9454 REGONIA COURT SANIBEL, FL. 33957	TREASURER
PETER WALCOTT	4187 DUNSMAN DR. SANIBEL, FL. 33957	SECRETARY

6. List by Name, Address and Position, Other Principal Officers, including Officers and Members of the Finance Committee, if Any (include chairman's name)

Full Name	Mailing Address	Committee Title or Position
LAWRENCE M. SCHOFER	5800 PINE TREE DR. SANIBEL FL.	CHAIRMAN / PRESIDENT
PETER WALRATT	4167 DINGMAN DR. SANIBEL FL.	VICE PRESIDENT / SECY.

7. List by Name, Address, Office Sought and Party Affiliation Each Candidate or Other Individual that this Committee is Supporting (if none, please indicate) NONE

Full Name	Mailing Address	Office Sought	Party

8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: NONE AT THIS TIME
 List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing: NONE AT THIS TIME

9. If this Committee is Supporting the Entire Ticket of a Party, Give Name of Party

NOT APPLICABLE

10. In the Event of Dissolution, What Disposition will be Made of Residual Funds?

DONATION TO LOCAL NOT-FOR-PROFIT

11. List all Banks, Safety Deposit Boxes, or Other Depositories Used for Committee Funds

Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number	Mailing Address
BANK OF THE ISLANDS # 20119079	1699 FERNWICK WAY SANIBEL FL. 33957

12. List all Reports Required to be Filed by this Committee with Federal Officials and the Names, Addresses and Positions of Such Officials, if Any

Report Title	Dates Required to be Filed	Name & Position of Official	Mailing Address
NONE			

STATE OF FLORIDA LEE COUNTY

I, LAWRENCE M. SCHOFER, certify that the information in this Statement of Organization is complete, true and correct.

X

Lawrence M. Schofer
Signature of Chairman of Political Committee

4/7/22
Date

**REGISTERED AGENT
STATEMENT OF APPOINTMENT**
(Section 106.022, F.S.)

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Registered Agent and Office Information

Name LAWRENCE M. SCHOPP Telephone 239 395 2655

Street Address 5900 PINE TREE DRIVE

City SANIBEL State FL. Zip Code 33957

Mailing Address SAME AS ABOVE

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

I accept this appointment and confirm that I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the position as set forth in Section 106.022, F.S. I also understand that I may resign this appointment by executing a written statement of resignation and filing it with the applicable filing officer.

Lawrence M. Schopp
Signature of Registered Agent

4/17/22
Date

Former Registered Agent and Office Information (for changes only)

Name KRISTIN RECHTEL Telephone NOT AVAILABLE

Street Address 1418 SOUTHEAST 19TH LANE

City CAPE CORAL State FLORIDA Zip Code 33990

Committee or Organization Information

Name of Committee or Organization COMMITTEE OF THE ISLANDS, INC.

Street Address 5900 PINE TREE DRIVE Telephone 239 395 2655

City FLORIDA SANIBEL State FLORIDA Zip Code 33957

Lawrence M. Schopp
Signature of Chairperson

Lawrence M. Schopp
Printed Name of Chairperson

4/17/22
Date