

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**In Re: Citizens for a Better Florida**

**Case No.: FEC 19-129**

**TO:** James Alexander Harden, Chair  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

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 26, 2020 at 8:30 am, EST**, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard.

Please note that because of COVID-19, this will be a virtual meeting conducted by remote video or teleconference. Enclosed you will find additional details on joining the video conference via GoToWebinar, 9-Digit Meeting ID 602-468-659, or via teleconference by dialing (866) 901-6455 and entering the meeting access code 515-462-864, when prompted. If you wish to speak before the Commission, you will need to appear by webcam and will be sworn in remotely. Please be advised that the Commission will consider multiple cases, so you will need to wait until your case is considered. If you have any questions, please contact Commission staff at (850) 922-4539.

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

**Tim Vaccaro**

Executive Director  
Florida Elections Commission  
August 13, 2020

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## **Commission Meeting August 26, 2020 at 8:30AM via GoToWebinar and OpenVoice**

In order to participate in the public portion of the August 26, 2020, Florida Elections Commission meeting, please follow the instructions below:

- A. GoToWebinar – Remote Video Conferencing
  1. Open your web browser and search GoToWebinar or enter [www.gotowebinar.com](http://www.gotowebinar.com)
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While this is a public meeting and advanced registration is not mandatory, we ask that if you plan to attend via Video Conference or Teleconference, that you notify our office in advance. This will give the Commission the opportunity to organize the agenda as efficiently as possible. It will be the goal of the Commission to hear cases in which parties are present, first, in order to reduce the standby time of the parties in attendance.

You can call or email our office of your intent to participate or of any questions you may have regarding this meeting. Please provide the case number(s) when contacting our office.

Thank you,

Commission Staff

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

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***Tim Vaccaro***

Executive Director  
Florida Elections Commission  
July 28, 2020

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**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)**

You are hereby notified that the previously scheduled **hearing for March 24-25, 2020 is cancelled**. It is anticipated that your case will be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting, which is currently set for May 2020. A Notice of Hearing will be mailed approximately 14 days prior to the hearing date indicating the exact date, time, and location.

***Tim Vaccaro***

Executive Director  
Florida Elections Commission  
March 12, 2020

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**In Re: Citizens for a Better Florida**

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Miami, FL 33183-3183

Division of Elections  
500 S Bronough Street, Room 316  
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**NOTICE OF HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)**

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **March 24, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **House Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room 28-H, 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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***Tim Vaccaro***

Executive Director  
Florida Elections Commission  
March 9, 2019

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STATE OF FLORIDA  
ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**Florida Elections Commission,  
Petitioner,**

**Case No.: FEC 19-129**

v.

**Citizens for A Better Florida,  
Respondent.**

**ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

**THIS MATTER** was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 19, 2019, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On June 25, 2019, 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 October 28, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D2 Report.

**Count 2:**

On or about October 29, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing

officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D3 Report.

**Count 3:**

On or about October 30, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D4 Report.

**Count 4:**

On or about October 31, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D5 Report.

**Count 5:**

On or about November 1, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D6 Report.


**Count 6:**

On or about November 2, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when it deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the committee's 2018 G7 Report.

**Count 7:**

On or about December 10, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when it deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the committee's 2018 M11 Report.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Florida Elections Commission on November 19, 2019.

  
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Joni Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair  
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:  
Stephanie J. Cunningham, Assistant General Counsel  
Citizens for A Better Florida, 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 consent order where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violation(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 informal hearing held before the Commission, if you do not 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 formal hearing 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 right-hand 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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**STATE OF FLORIDA  
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A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **November 19, 2019 at 9:00 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**. 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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**In Re: Citizens for A Better Florida**

**Case No.: FEC 19-129**

**ORDER CONTINUING CASE**


**THIS MATTER** was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 13, 2019, in Tallahassee, Florida.

Respondent made a request to continue this matter.

The Commission reviewed Respondent's request and considered Staff's response. Respondent's request was **GRANTED**.

**THIS MATTER** is continued until the next available meeting of the Florida Elections Commission.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Florida Elections Commission on August 13, 2019.

  
Jon Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair  
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:  
Stephanie J. Cunningham, Assistant General Counsel  
Citizens for A Better Florida, Respondent  
Division of Elections, Complainant

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**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  
July 29, 2019

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.



**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**In Re: Citizens for A Better Florida**

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**Case No.: FEC 19-129**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION**

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Sections 106.07(7), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes**. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on May 30, 2019, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On March 7, 2019, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections (“Division”), alleging that Citizens for A Better Florida (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a political committee registered with the Division. (ROI Exhibit 2)<sup>1</sup> On April 25, 2019, Respondent’s registration as a political committee was cancelled by the Division. (ROI Exhibit 9, page 3)

3. By letter dated April 5, 2019, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provisions:

**Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes:** As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because it had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting periods:

- 2018 D2
- 2018 D3
- 2018 D4
- 2018 D5
- 2018 D6
- 2018 G7
- 2018 M11

**Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:** As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, may have falsely reported or deliberately

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<sup>1</sup> The Report of Investigation is referred to herein as “ROI.”

failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, during the following reporting periods:

- 2018 D2
- 2018 D3
- 2018 D4
- 2018 D5
- 2018 D6
- 2018 G7
- 2018 M11

4. By letter dated May 25, 2017, Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, sent Respondent a letter acknowledging that the Division had received its Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees forms. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 1)

5. The acknowledgment letter advised Respondent that all political committees filing 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 grant access to the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 1) The letter further advised Respondent that all of the Division’s publications and reporting forms were available on its website and directed Respondent to print out the *Calendar of Reporting Dates* as well as other relevant documents. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 3)

6. Complainant alleged that Respondent violated Florida’s election laws by failing to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed or by falsely reporting or deliberately failing to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, during the following reporting periods: 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, 2018 D6, 2018 G7, and 2018 M11. (ROI Exhibit 1, pages 1 & 2)

7. Respondent’s 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, 2018 D6, 2018 G7, and 2018 M11 reports were due to be filed by October 28, 2018, October 29, 2018, October 30, 2018, October 31, 2018, November 1, 2018, November 2, 2018, and December 10, 2018, respectively; however, Respondent failed to timely file the reports or notify the filing officer that no reports would be filed. (ROI Exhibit 1, pages 1 & 2) The Division sent 21 letters to Respondent notifying the committee that its reports had not been received. The letters also notified Respondent that it was still required to notify the Division if the committee had no reportable financial activity. (ROI Exhibit 5) The letters sent by certified mail were confirmed delivered. (ROI Exhibit 5, pages 19 & 23)

8. A subpoena was issued to Respondent’s designated campaign depository to ascertain whether any financial activity occurred during the relevant reporting periods, i.e., October 27, 2018, October 28, 2018, October 29, 2018, October 30, 2018, October 31, 2018, October 20, 2018 – November 1, 2018, and November 2, 2018 – November 30, 2018.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Political committees are required to disclose contributions in the daily “D” reports, however, expenditures are not required to be reported. If a committee does not report expenditures in the daily reports, then they must be reported

Respondent's bank records do not show any reportable financial activity for the 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, and 2018 D6 reporting periods. (ROI Exhibit 6, pages 1 & 2; ROI Exhibit 7) Respondent's bank records show one expenditure in the amount of \$2,190, and two service charges totaling \$12 that were authorized or occurred during the 2018 G7 reporting period but were not disclosed. (ROI Exhibits 6 & 7) Respondent's bank records show one expenditure in the amount of \$3,650, and two service charges totaling \$12 that were authorized or occurred during the 2018 M11 reporting period but were not disclosed. (ROI Exhibit 6, page 3; ROI Exhibit 7)

9. As it appears that Respondent had no financial activity during the 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, and 2018 D6 reporting periods, Respondent was required to notify the filing officer in writing that it would not be filing its 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, and 2018 D6 reports on the prescribed reporting dates, but failed to do so. As it appears that Respondent had financial activity during the 2018 G7 and 2018 M11 reporting periods, Respondent deliberately failed to include information in its 2018 G7 and 2018 M11 reports in violation of Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes.

10. As of May 30, 2019, Respondent had not submitted its notices of no activity or disclosed the reportable financial activity. (ROI Exhibit 8, page 1)

11. Respondent was given multiple opportunities to respond to Commission staff's investigation, but failed to do so. (ROI, p. 3, ¶21)

12. "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).

13. The facts set forth above show that Respondent was a political committee registered with the Division. Respondent failed to timely file its 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, 2018 D6, 2018 G7, and 2018 M11 reports or notify the filing officer that no reports would be filed. It appears that Respondent had no reportable financial activity during the 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, and 2018 D6 reporting periods, and therefore, was required to notify the filing officer in writing that it would not be filing its 2018 D2, 2018 D3, 2018 D4, 2018 D5, and 2018 D6 reports on the prescribed reporting dates, but failed to do so. It appears that Respondent deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the committee's 2018 G7 and 2018 M11 reports.

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating the following:

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during the 2018 G7 Report which covers the period of October 20, 2018 – November 1, 2018. The 2018 M11 Report must contain all contributions accepted and expenditures made during the reporting period.

**Count 1:**

On or about October 28, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D2 Report.

**Count 2:**

On or about October 29, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D3 Report.

**Count 3:**

On or about October 30, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D4 Report.

**Count 4:**

On or about October 31, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D5 Report.

**Count 5:**

On or about November 1, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 D6 Report.

**Count 6:**

On or about November 2, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when it deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the committee's 2018 G7 Report.

**Count 7:**

On or about December 10, 2018, Citizens for A Better Florida violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when it deliberately

failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the committee's 2018 M11 Report.

Respectfully submitted on June 25, 2019.



Stephanie J. Cunningham  
Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019.



Tim Vaccaro  
Executive Director

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**  
**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**  
**Case No.: FEC 19-129**

**Respondent: Citizens for a Better Florida**

Counsel for Respondent: n/a

**Complainant: Division of Elections**

Counsel for Complainant: n/a

On March 7, 2019, 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 of a political committee that did not receive any contributions or make any expenditures during a reporting period to notify timely the filing officer, in writing, that no report is being filed; 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 is the Citizens for a Better Florida; a Political Action Committee (PAC) that is registered with the Division of Elections. On May 25, 2017, this PAC was placed on the active committee list as a political committee with a scope to support legislative candidates.

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

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

4. On March 7, 2019, a DOE staff representative, Kristi Willis, submitted a sworn-affidavit alleging that Respondent failed to report campaign activity, or in the alternative failed to notify the filing officer in writing that no report would be filed for several reporting periods. To view a copy of the March 7, 2019 sworn-affidavit, refer to exhibit 1.

5. On May 22, 2017, Respondent filed a Statement of Organization of Political Committee (DS-DE 5) form with the Division of Elections. The organization’s special interests are listed as “Environmental, Educational, Legal”. To view a copy of the DS-DE 5 form, refer to exhibit 2.

6. On May 22, 2017, Respondent filed an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees (DS-DE 6) form with the Division of Elections. To view a copy of the DS-DE 6 form, please refer to Exhibit 3.

7. On May 25, 2017, Ms. Willis sent Respondent a letter acknowledging the committee had been placed on the active committee list as a political committee. The letter advised Respondent that 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). Respondent's chairperson was provided with a user identification number and initial password allowing him access to the EFS. To view a copy of the May 25, 2017 acknowledgement letter, refer to exhibit 4.

8. On March 7, 2019, the Commission received a referral from the Division alleging that Respondent failed to report campaign activity, or in the alternative failed to notify the filing officer that no report would be filed, for seven reporting periods. Table 1 summarizes the failure-to-file notices mailed to Respondent informing the committee that the reports had not been received. Each notice was mailed to the address Respondent provided on the DS-DE 6 form (Exhibit 3). To view copies of the failure-to-file letters, please refer to Exhibit 5.

<b>TABLE 1: FAILURE-TO-FILE NOTICES MAILED TO RESPONDENT</b>					
<b>Report</b>	<b>Report Cover Period</b>	<b>Report Due Date</b>	<b>Date 1<sup>st</sup> Notice Mailed</b>	<b>Date 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice Mailed</b>	<b>Final Notice</b>
2018 D2	10/27/18	10/28/18	10/29/18	11/19/18	12/10/18
2018 D3	10/28/18	10/29/18	10/30/18	11/19/18	12/10/18
2018 D4	10/29/18	10/30/18	10/31/18	11/19/18	12/10/18
2018 D5	10/30/18	10/31/18	11/1/18	11/19/18	12/10/18
2018 D6	10/31/18	11/1/18	11/2/18	11/19/18	12/10/18
2018 G7	10/20/18-11/1/18	11/2/18	11/3/18	11/19/18	12/10/18
2018 M11	11/2/18-11/30/18	12/10/18	12/11/18	1/4/19	1/23/19

9. The allegations that Respondent failed to report campaign activity, or in the alternative, failed to timely notify the filing officer that no report would be filed during the reporting periods listed in Table 1 will be discussed in the following paragraphs.

**II. Alleged Violation of Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:**

10. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by falsely reporting or deliberately failing to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when it failed to file treasurer's reports, or written notices to the filing officer that no reports would be filed due to the lack of reportable activity during the reporting periods, on the prescribed reporting dates.

11. I subpoenaed Respondent's campaign depository, TD Bank, to obtain financial activity information regarding the reporting periods detailed in Table 1. TD Bank reported six transactions occurred during the 2018 D6; 2018 G7; and the 2018 M11 reporting periods.

12. On October 22, 2018, check #101 in the amount of \$2,190.00 was paid to Diaz Campaigns for "mailers"; this check was authorized with the committee treasurer's signature on October 20, 2018. This transaction occurred during the 2018 G7 reporting period. To view a copy

of relevant bank information, refer to exhibit 6. To view copy of check #101, refer to exhibit 7.

13. On October 31, 2018, a \$10.00 maintenance fee, and a \$2.00 statement fee were applied to this account. These transactions occurred during the 2018 D6 and 2018 G7 reporting periods. To view a copy of the relevant monthly statement from TD Bank, refer to exhibit 6.

14. On November 6, 2018, check #126 in the amount of \$3,650.00 was paid to Diaz Campaigns for “mailers”; this check was authorized with the committee treasurer’s signature on November 5, 2018. On November 30, 2018, a \$10.00 maintenance fee, and a \$2.00 statement fee were also applied to this account. These transactions occurred during the 2018 M11 reporting period. To view a copy of relevant bank information, refer to exhibit 6. To view a copy of check #126, refer to exhibit 7.

15. Based upon the information received from Respondent’s campaign depository, it appears that Respondent was required to file their 2018 D6; 2018 G7; and 2018 M11 Reports with their filing officer reflecting the expenditures made during these reporting periods. As of the date of this report of investigation, no reports or waivers have been filed for the reporting periods detailed in Table 1—over eight months overdue. To view a copy of Respondent’s filing history, refer to exhibit 8.

16. There is no record that Respondent has previously violated this section of the election laws.

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

17. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by not notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no reports were being filed due to not receiving any contributions or making any expenditures during the 2018 D2; 2018 D3; 2018 D4; 2018 D5; 2018 D6; 2018 G7; and 2018 M11 reporting periods.

18. To review the circumstances regarding the committee’s campaign activity, please refer to paragraphs 11-15 of this report.

19. There is no record that Respondent has previously violated this section of the election laws.

### **IV. FEC History:**

20. Respondent has been involved in a prior FEC investigation involving a failure-to-file a report. FEC 19-053 will be heard at the August 2019 Commission meeting.

### **Conclusion:**

21. Respondent’s chairman was offered several opportunities to make comments regarding the findings of this investigation. The chairman did not respond to any of these attempts.

22. In the May 25, 2017 acknowledgement letter, Respondent’s chairman was informed that all of the Division’s publications are available online at the DOE’s website. In the letter, the



chairman 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: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, Political Committee Handbook, Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.** To view a copy of the May 25, 2017 acknowledgement letter, refer to exhibit 4.

23. On May 9, 2019, Respondent's political committee registration was revoked with the Division of Elections. "Rule 1S-2.021, Florida Administrative Code, established procedures for the Division to cancel the registration of political committees for, among other reasons, "an unpaid fine or civil penalty imposed under Chapter 106, F.S., which has become final, meaning all appeals regarding the imposition of the fine or civil penalty have been exhausted or the time for such appeals has passed". To view a copy of the final order revoking Respondent's registration, refer to exhibit 9.

Respectfully submitted on May 30, 2019.

  
Cedric Oliver  
Investigation Specialist

<b>Current address of Respondent</b>	<b>Current address of Complainant</b>
Citizens For A Better Florida 8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198 Miami, Fl 33183-3183	Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, Fl 32399
<b>Name and Address of Filing Officer:</b>	<b>Chair of Committee</b>
Ms. Kristi Willis Chief of Bureau of Election Records 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, Fl 32399	James Alexander Harden, Chair Citizens For A Better Florida 8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198 Miami, Fl 33183-3183

Copy furnished to: Mr. David Flagg, Investigations Manager

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**  
**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**  
**Citizens for a Better Florida -- FEC 19-129**

<b>LIST OF EXHIBITS</b>	
<b>Exhibits #s</b>	<b>Description of Exhibits</b>
Exhibit 1	Sworn-affidavit from Complainant
Exhibit 2	Respondent's DS-DE 5 form
Exhibit 3	Respondent's DS-DE 6 form
Exhibit 4	May 25, 2017 acknowledgement letter
Exhibit 5	Copies of the failure-to-file letters
Exhibit 6	Relevant bank information/monthly bank statements
Exhibit 7	Check #101 and #126
Exhibit 8	Respondent's filing history
Exhibit 9	Revocation of Respondent's political committee final order

**AFFIDAVIT**

**STATE OF FLORIDA**

**County of Leon**

**Kristi Reid Willis, 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. Citizens for A Better Florida (69841) is a political committee registered with the Division. On May 24, 2017, James Alexander Harden filed the DSDE 5 and DSDE 6 with the Division of Elections indicating that he was the chairperson.
5. The 2018 D2 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 28, 2018. On October 29, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D2 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
6. The 2018 D3 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 29, 2018. On October 30, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D3 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
7. The 2018 D4 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 30, 2018. On October 31, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D4 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
8. The 2018 D5 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 31, 2018. On November 1, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D5 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
9. The 2018 D6 campaign treasurer's report was due on November 1, 2018. On November 2, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D6 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.

**EXHIBIT**

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10. The 2018 G7 campaign treasurer's report was due on November 2, 2018. On November 3, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 G7 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
11. On November 19, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden second notifications that the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, and G7 campaign treasurer's reports had not been filed.
12. On December 10, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden final notifications with delivery confirmation that the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, and G7 reports had not been filed. (See attached letters and delivery confirmation.)
13. The 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report was due on December 10, 2018. On December 11, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
14. On January 4, 2019, the Division mailed Mr. Harden second notification that the 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
15. On January 23, 2019, the Division mailed Mr. Harden final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2018 M11 report had not been filed. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)
16. Mr. Harden did not notify the Division of Elections prior to or on the prescribed reporting dates for the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, G7, and M11 reports that no reports were to be filed.

17. As of March 1, 2019, Mr. Harden has not filed the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, G7, and M11 reports.

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



Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this **1<sup>st</sup>** day of **March, 2019**.



Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

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EXHIBIT

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**STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION  
OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE**

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**1. Full Name of Committee**

Citizens For A Better Florida

Telephone

(754) 444-1979

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code)

8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198  
Miami, FL 33183

Street Address (include city, state and zip code)

8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198  
Miami, FL 33183

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

Name of Affiliated or  
Connected Organization

Mailing Address

Relationship

N/A

N/A

N/A

**3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee**

Legislative Candidates

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

Environmental, Educational, Legal

**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

Carmen Coello-Harden

8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198  
Miami, FL 33183

Treasurer

**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
James Alexander Harden	8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198 Miami, FL 33183	Chairman

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

Full Name	Mailing Address	Office Sought	Party
None	None	None	None

**8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: Education, Environment, Legal**

List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing: None

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

N/A

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

Funds will be transfered to The ACLU Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization.

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

Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number	Mailing Address
TD Bank	111480 N Kendall Drive Miami, FL 33176

**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**

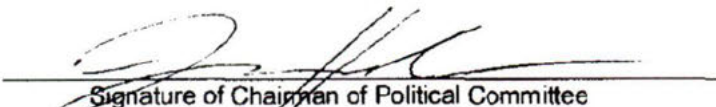
Report Title	Dates Required to be Filed	Name & Position of Official	Mailing Address
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

STATE OF Florida Miami-Dade COUNTY

I, James A. Harden, certify that the information in this Statement of

Organization is complete, true and correct.

**X**

  
Signature of Chairman of Political Committee

3/19/17  
Date

**STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION  
OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE**

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
(754) 444-1979

**1. Full Name of Committee**

Citizens For A Better Florida

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code)

8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198  
Miami, FL 33183

Street Address (include city, state and zip code)

8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198  
Miami, FL 33183

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

Name of Affiliated or Connected Organization	Mailing Address	Relationship
N/A	N/A	N/A

**3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee**

Legislative Candidates

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

**Environmental, Educational, Legal**

**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
Carmen Coello-Harden	8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198 Miami, FL 33183	Treasurer



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	
James Alexander Harden	8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198 Miami, FL 33183	Chairman	

7. List by Name, Address, Office Sought and Party Affiliation Each Candidate or Other Individual that this Committee is Supporting (if none, please indicate)			
Full Name	Mailing Address	Office Sought	Party
Ana Rivas Logan	8306 Mills Dr, Ste 239 Miami, FL 33183	FL Senate, District 40	Democrat

8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: Environmental, Education, Legal  
 List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing: None

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

10. In the Event of Dissolution, What Disposition will be Made of Residual Funds?  
 Funds will be transferred to The ACLU Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization.

11. List all Banks, Safety Deposit Boxes, or Other Depositories Used for Committee Funds	
Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number	Mailing Address
TD Bank	111480 N Kendall Dr Miami, FL 33176

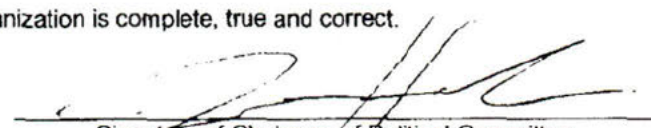
  

12. List all Reports Required to be Filed by this Committee with Federal Officials and the Names, Addresses and Positions of Such Officials, If Any			
Report Title	Dates Required to be Filed	Name & Position of Official	Mailing Address
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

STATE OF Florida COUNTY Miami-Dade

I, James A. Harden, certify that the information in this Statement of Organization is complete, true and correct.

**X**  Signature of Chairman of Political Committee

5/23/17 Date

EXHIBIT 2(4 of 4)

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

**RECEIVED**  
**17 MAY 22 AM 10:16**  
**DIVISION OF ELECTIONS**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Original Appointment of Treasurer       Reappointment of Treasurer       Deputy Treasurer

1. Committee or Organization <b>Citizens For A Better Florida</b>	2. Telephone <b>(754 ) 444-1979</b>
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3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer <b>Carmen Coello-Harden</b>	4. Email (optional)	5. Telephone (optional) <b>( )</b>
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6. Mailing Address  
**8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198 Miami, FL 33183**

7. Street Address  
**8306 Mills Dr, Ste 198 Miami, FL 33183**

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

9. Name of Bank <b>TD Bank</b>	10. Street Address <b>11480 N Kendall Dr</b>
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11. City <b>Miami</b>	12. State <b>FL</b>	13. Zip Code <b>33176</b>
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14. Signature of Chairman <b>X</b> 	15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type) <b>James Alexander Harden</b>
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**Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment**

I, **Carmen Coello-Harden**, do hereby accept the appointment as  
(Please Print or Type)  
treasurer or deputy treasurer for **Citizens For A Better Florida**  
(Committee or Organization)

**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.**

**5-19-17**      **X**   
Date      Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer



## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

**RICK SCOTT**  
Governor

**KEN DETZNER**  
Secretary of State

May 25, 2017

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, Florida 33183

Dear Mr. Harden:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Citizens for A Better Florida**, which were placed on file in our office on May 24, 2017. 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 **June 12, 2017**. The report will cover the period of May 1-31, 2017 (M5). 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).

### Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. The chairperson, campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting this password 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:** 69841

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/](https://dos.myflorida.com/elections/)



EXHIBIT 4 (1 of 3)

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
May 25, 2017  
Page Two

### **Pin Numbers**

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update information. The enclosed sealed envelope provides a confidential pin number for the chairperson. By copy of this letter, a confidential pin number to access the EFS was sent to the treasurer.

Each political committee chairperson is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that the 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 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, 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.

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
May 25, 2017  
Page Three

**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 Bronson, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

KRB/ljr

Enclosures

pc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 4(3 of 3)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

October 29, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was October 28, 2018.

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 follows until you file your report:
  - \$50 per day for the first 3 days late
  - \$500 per day for each day after the 3rd day late
  - If the required report immediately precedes a primary and general election, the automatic fine is \$500 for each late day.

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 Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

October 30, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

October 31, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer





FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 1, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(40A 03)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**

Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 2, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(5 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 3, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5 (6 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

November 19, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

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The first notice which we provided to you specifically explained the automatic fine provisions in the law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) for failure to file a required report. Such fines are continuing to accrue for a late-filed report. Also, that notice explained that if no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to provide notification in writing that no reportable activity occurred. Our initial notice further indicated that, 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,

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Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(70F23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

November 19, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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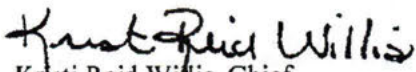
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Sincerely,

  
Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(8 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

November 19, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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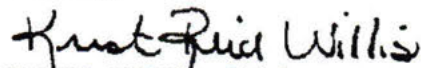
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Sincerely,

  
Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(9 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**

Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

November 19, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson

Citizens for A Better Florida

8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198

Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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Sincerely,

Krist Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(10 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

November 19, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

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We mailed, via regular mail, the first notice of the failure to file the above-mentioned report or notification to the address on file with our office on November 3, 2018.

The first notice which we provided to you specifically explained the automatic fine provisions in the law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) for failure to file a required report. Such fines are continuing to accrue for a late-filed report. Also, that notice explained that if no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to provide notification in writing that no reportable activity occurred. Our initial notice further indicated that, 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 Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(11 of 23)





FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

November 19, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was November 1, 2018.

We mailed, via regular mail, the first notice of the failure to file the above-mentioned report or notification to the address on file with our office on November 2, 2018.

The first notice which we provided to you specifically explained the automatic fine provisions in the law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) for failure to file a required report. Such fines are continuing to accrue for a late-filed report. Also, that notice explained that if no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to provide notification in writing that no reportable activity occurred. Our initial notice further indicated that, 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.

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Sincerely,

  
Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(12 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

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December 10, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson
Citizens for A Better Florida
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received the below-referenced campaign treasurer's report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable, during the following cover period:

Table with 3 columns: Year, Report, Cover Period. Row 1: 2018, D2, 10/27/18 - 10/27/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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,

Krist Reid Willis
Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(13 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Final Notice**

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December 10, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

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<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	D3	10/28/18 - 10/28/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(14 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Final Notice**

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December 10, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received the below-referenced campaign treasurer's report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable, during the following cover period:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	D4	10/29/18 - 10/29/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(15 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Final Notice**

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December 10, 2018

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Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

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<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	D5	10/30/18 - 10/30/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(160703)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Final Notice**

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December 10, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received the below-referenced campaign treasurer's report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable, during the following cover period:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	D6	10/31/18 - 10/31/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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 Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(17 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Final Notice**

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December 10, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received the below-referenced campaign treasurer's report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable, during the following cover period:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	G7	10/20/18 - 11/1/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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.

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Sincerely,

  
Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(18 of 23)

# USPS Tracking® FAQs > (<https://www.usps.com/faqs/uspstracking-faqs.htm>)

**Track Another Package +**

**Tracking Number:** 9114901496451750431749

Remove X

**Expected Delivery on**

**FRIDAY**

**14** DECEMBER  
2018 ⓘ

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Feedback

**✓ Delivered**

December 14, 2018 at 12:01 pm  
Delivered, Front Desk/Reception/Mail Room  
MIAMI, FL 33183

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## Can't find what you're looking for?

Go to our FAQs section to find answers to your tracking questions.

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

December 11, 2018

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was December 10, 2018.

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 follows until you file your report:
  - \$50 per day for the first 3 days late
  - \$500 per day for each day after the 3rd day late
  - If the required report immediately precedes a primary and general election, the automatic fine is \$500 for each late day.

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 Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(20 of 23)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

**Second Notice**

January 4, 2019

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was December 10, 2018.

We mailed, via regular mail, the first notice of the failure to file the above-mentioned report or notification to the address on file with our office on December 11, 2018.

The first notice which we provided to you specifically explained the automatic fine provisions in the law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) for failure to file a required report. Such fines are continuing to accrue for a late-filed report. Also, that notice explained that if no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to provide notification in writing that no reportable activity occurred. Our initial notice further indicated that, 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 Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Final Notice

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or call 1-800-222-1811.

January 23, 2019

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

Dear Mr. Harden:

A recent review of the Division's records show that the Division has not yet received the below-referenced campaign treasurer's report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable, during the following cover period:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	M11	11/2/18 - 11/30/18

The Division has previously notified you of the unfiled report or notification. Please file your report or notification. If the report 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.

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Bureau of Election Records

cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 5(22 of 23)

# USPS Tracking® FAQs > (<https://www.usps.com/faqs/uspstracking-faqs.htm>)

**Track Another Package +**

**Tracking Number:** 9114901496451724155701

Remove X

**Expected Delivery on**

**FRIDAY**

**25** JANUARY  
2019 ⓘ

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Feedback

**✓ Delivered**

January 25, 2019 at 3:34 pm  
Delivered, Left with Individual  
MIAMI, FL 33183

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**Text & Email Updates** v

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CITIZENS FOR A BETTER FLORIDA  
 8306 MILLS DR STE 198  
 MIAMI FL 33165

Page: 1 of 2  
 Statement Period: Oct 01 2018-Oct 31 2018  
 Cust Ref #: 4345299724-713-T-###  
 Primary Account #: [REDACTED]

**TD Business Simple Checking**

CITIZENS FOR A BETTER FLORIDA

Account # [REDACTED]

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	1,692.95	Average Collected Balance	3,163.91
Electronic Deposits	4,500.00	Interest Earned This Period	0.00
Checks Paid	2,190.00	Interest Paid Year-to-Date	0.00
Service Charges	12.00	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.00%
Ending Balance	3,990.95	Days in Period	31

DAILY ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

**Electronic Deposits**

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
10/17	CCD DEPOSIT, FLIPPABLE5 DONATION	4,500.00
	Subtotal:	4,500.00

**Checks Paid**

No. Checks: 1 \*Indicates break in serial sequence or check processed electronically and listed under Electronic Payments

DATE	SERIAL NO.	AMOUNT
10/22	101	2,190.00
	Subtotal:	2,190.00

**Service Charges**

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
10/31	MAINTENANCE FEE	10.00
10/31	PAPER STATEMENT FEE	2.00
	Subtotal:	12.00

DAILY BALANCE SUMMARY

DATE	BALANCE	DATE	BALANCE
09/30	1,692.95	10/22	4,002.95
10/17	6,192.95	10/31	3,990.95

Call 1-800-937-2000 for 24-hour Bank-by-Phone services or connect to [www.tdbank.com](http://www.tdbank.com)

Bank Deposit: FDIC Member TD Bank, N.A. | Equal Housing Lender

EXHIBIT 6(1 of 4)

# How to Balance your Account

**Begin by adjusting your account register as follows:**

- Subtract any services charges shown on this statement.
- Subtract any automatic payments, transfers or other electronic withdrawals not previously recorded.
- Add any interest earned if you have an interest-bearing account.
- Add any automatic deposit or overdraft line of credit.
- Review all withdrawals shown on this statement and check them off in your account register.
- Follow instructions 2-5 to verify your ending account balance.

Your ending balance shown on this statement is:

List below the amount of deposits or credit transfers which do not appear on this statement. Total the deposits and enter on Line 2.

Subtotal by adding lines 1 and 2.

List below the total amount of withdrawals that do not appear on this statement. Total the withdrawals and enter on Line 4.

Subtract Line 4 from 3. This adjusted balance should equal your account balance.

1	<b>Ending Balance</b>	3,990.95
2	<b>Total Deposits</b>	+
3	<b>Sub Total</b>	_____
4	<b>Total Withdrawals</b>	-
5	<b>Adjusted Balance</b>	_____

2 DEPOSITS NOT ON STATEMENT	DOLLARS	CENTS
<b>Total Deposits</b>		2

4 WITHDRAWALS NOT ON STATEMENT	DOLLARS	CENTS
		4

WITHDRAWALS NOT ON STATEMENT	DOLLARS	CENTS
<b>Total Withdrawals</b>		4

**FOR CONSUMER ACCOUNTS ONLY: IN CASE OF ERRORS OR QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS.**

If you need information about an electronic fund transfer or if you believe there is an error on your bank statement or receipt relating to an electronic fund transfer, telephone the bank immediately at the phone number listed on the front of your statement or write to:

**TD Bank, N.A., Deposit Operations Dept, P.O. Box 1377, Lewiston, Maine 04243-1377**

We must hear from you no later than sixty (60) calendar days after we sent you the first statement upon which the error or problem first appeared. When contacting the Bank, please explain as clearly as you can why you believe there is an error or why more information is needed. Please include:

- Your name and account number.
- A description of the error or transaction you are unsure about.
- The dollar amount and date of the suspected error.

When making a verbal inquiry, the Bank may ask that you send us your complaint in writing within ten (10) business days after the first telephone call.

We will investigate your complaint and will correct any error promptly. If we take more than ten (10) business days to do this, we will credit your account for the amount you think is in error, so that you have the use of the money during the time it takes to complete our investigation.

**INTEREST NOTICE**

Total interest credited by the Bank to you this year will be reported by the Bank to the Internal Revenue Service and State tax authorities. The amount to be reported will be reported separately to you by the Bank.

**FOR CONSUMER LOAN ACCOUNTS ONLY: BILLING RIGHTS SUMMARY**

In case of Errors or Questions About Your Bill:

If you think your bill is wrong, or if you need more information about a transaction on your bill, write us at P.O. Box 1377, Lewiston, Maine 04243-1377 as soon as possible. We must hear from you no later than sixty (60) days after we sent you the FIRST bill on which the error or problem appeared. You can telephone us, but doing so will not preserve your rights. In your letter, give us the following information:

- Your name and account number.
- The dollar amount of the suspected error.
- Describe the error and explain, if you can, why you believe there is an error. If you need more information, describe the item you are unsure about.

You do not have to pay any amount in question while we are investigating, but you are still obligated to pay the parts of your bill that are not in question. While we investigate your question, we cannot report you as delinquent or take any action to collect the amount you question.

**FINANCE CHARGES:** Although the Bank uses the Daily Balance method to calculate the finance charge on your Moneyline/Overdraft Protection account (the term "ODP" or "OD" refers to Overdraft Protection), the Bank discloses the Average Daily Balance on the periodic statement as an easier method for you to calculate the finance charge. The finance charge begins to accrue on the date advances and other debits are posted to your account and will continue until the balance has been paid in full. To compute the finance charge, multiply the Average Daily Balance times the Days in Period times the Daily Periodic Rate (as listed in the Account Summary section on the front of the statement). The Average Daily Balance is calculated by adding the balance for each day of the billing cycle, then dividing the total balance by the number of Days in the Billing Cycle. The daily balance is the balance for the day after advances have been added and payments or credits have been subtracted plus or minus any other adjustments that might have occurred that day. There is no grace period during which no finance charge accrues. Finance charge adjustments are included in your total finance charge.



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T STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

CITIZENS FOR A BETTER FLORIDA  
8306 MILLS DR STE 198  
MIAMI FL 33165

Page: 1 of 2  
Statement Period: Nov 01 2018-Nov 30 2018  
Cust Ref #: 4345299724-713-T-###  
Primary Account #: [REDACTED]

**TD Business Simple Checking**

CITIZENS FOR A BETTER FLORIDA

Account # [REDACTED]

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	3,990.95	Average Collected Balance	949.28
Checks Paid	3,650.00	Interest Earned This Period	0.00
Service Charges	12.00	Interest Paid Year-to-Date	0.00
Ending Balance	328.95	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.00%
		Days in Period	30

DAILY ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

**Checks Paid**      No. Checks: 1      \*Indicates break in serial sequence or check processed electronically and listed under Electronic Payments

DATE	SERIAL NO.	AMOUNT	
11/06	126	3,650.00	
			Subtotal: 3,650.00

**Service Charges**

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
11/30	MAINTENANCE FEE	10.00
11/30	PAPER STATEMENT FEE	2.00
		Subtotal: 12.00

DAILY BALANCE SUMMARY

DATE	BALANCE	DATE	BALANCE
10/31	3,990.95	11/30	328.95
11/06	340.95		

Call 1-800-937-2000 for 24-hour Bank-by-Phone services or connect to [www.tdbank.com](http://www.tdbank.com)

Bank requires FDIC approval. TD Bank, N.A. (FDIC) Member FDIC

EXHIBIT 6(3 of 4)

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Subtotal by adding lines 1 and 2.

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Subtract Line 4 from 3. This adjusted balance should equal your account balance.

1	Ending Balance	328.95
2	Total Deposits	+
3	Sub Total	_____
4	Total Withdrawals	-
5	Adjusted Balance	_____

2 DEPOSITS NOT ON STATEMENT	DOLLARS	CENTS
<b>Total Deposits</b>		2

4 WITHDRAWALS NOT ON STATEMENT	DOLLARS	CENTS
		4

WITHDRAWALS NOT ON STATEMENT	DOLLARS	CENTS
<b>Total Withdrawals</b>		4

**FOR CONSUMER ACCOUNTS ONLY - IN CASE OF ERRORS OR QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS**

If you need information about an electronic fund transfer or if you believe there is an error on your bank statement or receipt relating to an electronic fund transfer, telephone the bank immediately at the phone number listed on the front of your statement or write to:

**TD Bank, N.A., Deposit Operations Dept, P.O. Box 1377, Lewiston, Maine 04243-1377**

We must hear from you no later than sixty (60) calendar days after we sent you the first statement upon which the error or problem first appeared. When contacting the Bank, please explain as clearly as you can why you believe there is an error or why more information is needed. Please include:

- Your name and account number.
- A description of the error or transaction you are unsure about.
- The dollar amount and date of the suspected error.

When making a verbal inquiry, the Bank may ask that you send us your complaint in writing within ten (10) business days after the first telephone call.

We will investigate your complaint and will correct any error promptly. If we take more than ten (10) business days to do this, we will credit your account for the amount you think is in error, so that you have the use of the money during the time it takes to complete our investigation.

**INTEREST NOTICE**

Total interest credited by the Bank to you this year will be reported by the Bank to the Internal Revenue Service and State tax authorities. The amount to be reported will be reported separately to you by the Bank.

**FOR CONSUMER LOAN ACCOUNTS ONLY - BILLING RIGHTS SUMMARY**

In case of Errors or Questions About Your Bill:  
If you think your bill is wrong, or if you need more information about a transaction on your bill, write us at P.O. Box 1377, Lewiston, Maine 04243-1377 as soon as possible. We must hear from you no later than sixty (60) days after we sent you the FIRST bill on which the error or problem appeared. You can telephone us, but doing so will not preserve your rights. In your letter, give us the following information:

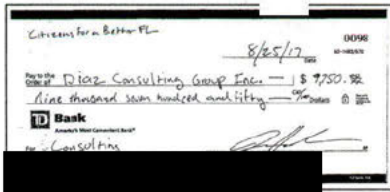
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- The dollar amount of the suspected error.
- Describe the error and explain, if you can, why you believe there is an error. If you need more information, describe the item you are unsure about.

You do not have to pay any amount in question while we are investigating, but you are still obligated to pay the parts of your bill that are not in question. While we investigate your question, we cannot report you as delinquent or take any action to collect the amount you question.

**FINANCE CHARGES:** Although the Bank uses the Daily Balance method to calculate the finance charge on your Moneyline/Overdraft Protection account (the term "ODP" or "OD" refers to Overdraft Protection), the Bank discloses the Average Daily Balance on the periodic statement as an easier method for you to calculate the finance charge. The finance charge begins to accrue on the date advances and other debits are posted to your account and will continue until the balance has been paid in full. To compute the finance charge, multiply the Average Daily Balance times the Days in Period times the Daily Periodic Rate (as listed in the Account Summary section on the front of the statement). The Average Daily Balance is calculated by adding the balance for each day of the billing cycle, then dividing the total balance by the number of Days in the Billing Cycle. The daily balance is the balance for the day after advances have been added and payments or credits have been subtracted plus or minus any other adjustments that might have occurred that day. There is no grace period during which no finance charge accrues. Finance charge adjustments are included in your total finance charge.

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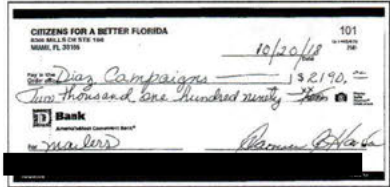




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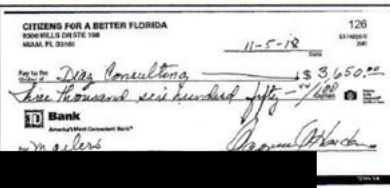
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Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Committee Name: Citizens for A Better Florida

Name:

Account: 69841

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
4/10/2019	M3		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
3/11/2019	M2		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
2/11/2019	M1		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
1/10/2019	M12		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
12/10/2018	M11		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
11/2/2018	G7		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
11/1/2018	D6		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/31/2018	D5		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/30/2018	D4		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/29/2018	D3		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/28/2018	D2		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/27/2018	D1	11/3/2018	SNT	7	\$3.00		\$3.00	\$0.00
10/26/2018	G6	10/26/2018						
10/25/2018	G4	10/13/2018						
10/19/2018	G5	10/19/2018						
10/5/2018	G3	10/5/2018						
9/28/2018	G2A	9/30/2018	SNT	2	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$0.00
9/21/2018	G2	9/21/2018						
9/14/2018	G1A	9/14/2018						
9/7/2018	G1	8/31/2018						
8/31/2018	P7A	8/24/2018						
8/24/2018	P7	8/24/2018						
8/17/2018	P6	8/17/2018						
8/10/2018	P5	8/10/2018						
8/3/2018	P4	8/3/2018						
7/27/2018	P3	7/27/2018						
7/20/2018	P2A	7/13/2018						
7/13/2018	P2	7/27/2018	CLO	14	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7/6/2018	P1A	7/7/2018	CLO	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
6/29/2018	P1	6/28/2018						
6/11/2018	M5	6/10/2018						
5/10/2018	M4	5/10/2018						
4/10/2018	M3	4/11/2018	CLO	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
3/12/2018	M2	3/12/2018						
2/12/2018	M1	2/10/2018						
1/10/2018	M12	1/10/2018						
12/11/2017	M11	12/10/2017						
11/13/2017	M10	11/11/2017						
10/10/2017	M9	10/1/2017						
9/22/2017	M8	9/9/2017						
8/10/2017	M7	8/9/2017						
7/21/2017	SP2	7/21/2017						
7/10/2017	M6	7/9/2017						
6/12/2017	M5	6/11/2017						
6/12/2017	SP1	6/11/2017						

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**Florida Department of State  
Division of Elections**

**Citizens for A Better Florida**

**Campaign Finance Activity**

**Note:** The information presented below was obtained from the Committee's/Candidate's Campaign Treasurer's Report filed with the Division of Elections. About the Campaign Finance Data Base. If all contributions for a reporting period are less than 1 dollar Then they may not be displayed.

	Filing Period	Contributions			Expend	Other	Transfers
		Monetary	Loans	InKind			
W	05/14/2017 - 05/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	05/24/2017 - 06/08/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/01/2017 - 06/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/09/2017 - 07/20/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/01/2017 - 07/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
○	08/01/2017 - 08/31/2017	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	9,750.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/01/2017 - 09/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/01/2017 - 10/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	11/01/2017 - 11/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	12/01/2017 - 12/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	01/01/2018 - 01/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	02/01/2018 - 02/28/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	03/01/2018 - 03/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	04/01/2018 - 04/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	05/01/2018 - 05/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/01/2018 - 06/22/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/23/2018 - 06/29/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/30/2018 - 07/06/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/07/2018 - 07/13/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/14/2018 - 07/20/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
○	07/21/2018 - 07/27/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/28/2018 - 08/03/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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<b>W</b>	08/04/2018 - 08/10/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>W</b>	08/11/2018 - 08/23/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>W</b>	08/24/2018 - 08/24/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>W</b>	08/25/2018 - 08/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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<input type="radio"/>	09/22/2018 - 09/28/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00	0.00	0.00
<b>W</b>	09/29/2018 - 10/05/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>W</b>	10/06/2018 - 10/12/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input type="radio"/>	10/13/2018 - 10/19/2018	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input type="radio"/>	10/20/2018 - 10/26/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00	0.00	0.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>All Dates (Totals)</b>	16,105.00	0.00	0.00	9,774.00	0.00	0.00

Note: <sup>(E)</sup> indicates that report was filed electronically

**X** Indicates that detail has not been released

**W** Indicates that a waiver was filed and **L** Indicates that a loan report was filed

Select Detail Type

Contributions ▼

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Date(Ascending) ▼

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Submit Query Now

[Query the Campaign Finance Data Base](#)

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STATE OF FLORIDA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF  
ELECTIONS,

Petitioner,

v.

CITIZENS FOR A BETTER FLORIDA (69841),

Final Order No. DOS 19-47 DE

Respondent.

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**FINAL ORDER**

The Florida Department of State, Division of Elections (the "Division") pursuant to Section 106.03(7), Florida Statutes, and Rule 1S-2.021, Florida Administrative Code, promulgated thereunder, hereby enters its Final Order canceling the registration of Citizens for A Better Florida ("Respondent") as a political committee in the State of Florida. The Division, being fully advised as to the premises, finds and orders as follows:

**INTRODUCTION**

Rule 1S-2.021, Florida Administrative Code, establishes procedures for the Division to cancel the registration of political committees for, among other reasons, "an unpaid fine or civil penalty imposed under Chapter 106, F.S., which has become final, meaning all appeals regarding the imposition of the fine or civil penalty have been exhausted or the time for such appeals has passed."

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent is a registered political committee but not for the sole purpose of seeking signatures of registered electors in support of an initiative. Respondent's registration number is 69841.

2. On January 14, 2019, the Division mailed an Initial Notice of Intent to Cancel Registration (attached and incorporated by reference) to the most recent address on file for Respondent's chairperson and registered agent. The notice stated that Respondent had failed to pay the fine(s) in the amount of \$100 imposed for the late filing of the 2018 G2A campaign treasurer's report. The Notice of Intent to Cancel Registration informed Respondent of the opportunity to provide documentation to the Division to show why the Respondent's registration should not be canceled. No such documentation was provided.

3. The Notice of Intent was not returned as being undeliverable and the Respondent did not respond to the Notice of Intent to Cancel Registration.


4. On February 15, 2019, the Division mailed Respondent's registered agent a Final Notice of Intent to Cancel Registration (attached and incorporated by reference). The notice informed Respondent of the right to a hearing and that if a request for hearing was not made within 30 days of the date of the notice, the right to hearing would be waived and final action taken by the Division.

5. Respondent did not respond or otherwise timely request a hearing.

**CONCLUSION**

Based upon the foregoing and a complete review of the record, it is ORDERED that Respondent's registration as a political committee with the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, is hereby CANCELLED.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

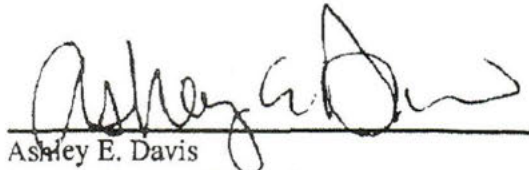
  
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Maria P. Matthews, Director  
Division of Elections

**NOTICE OF RIGHTS**

This Order constitutes final agency action. Judicial review may be sought pursuant to Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, by filing a notice of appeal in the First District Court of Appeal, and a copy with the clerk of the Department of State. Such notice must be filed within 30 calendar days of the date indicated in the Certificate of Service.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the original of the foregoing Final Order was hand-delivered to the Agency Clerk, Department of State, R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250 and that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Final Order was mailed on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019, by certified U.S. mail to James Alexander Harden, Registered Agent, Citizens for A Better Florida, 8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198, Miami, Florida 33183.



Ashley E. Davis  
Deputy General Counsel  
Florida Department of State  
Florida Bar No. 48032  
500 S. Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399





**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT of STATE**

**RON DESANTIS**  
Governor

**MICHAEL ERTEL**  
Secretary of State

January 14, 2019

James Alexander Harden, Chairperson and Registered Agent  
Citizens for A Better Florida (69841)  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, Florida 33183

**RE: INITIAL NOTICE OF INTENT TO CANCEL REGISTRATION**

Dear Mr. Harden:

Pursuant to Section 106.03(7), Florida Statutes, and Rule 1S-2.021, Florida Administrative Code, this letter serves as Initial Notice to Cancel Registration of this political committee for **failure to pay the fine in the amount of \$100** imposed for the late filing of the **2018 G2A** campaign treasurer's report.

If you object to this cancellation you must provide payment along with documentation showing that the committee's registration should not be canceled within 30 days of the date of this Initial Notice.

Alternatively, you may voluntarily terminate your committee's registration with the 30 day period.

Please be advised that all further notifications regarding cancellation of registration shall be sent only to the most recent address on file for the registered agent.

If you have any questions, please call (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/eal  
Enclosure

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](http://DOS.MyFlorida.com/elections)

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**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**RON DESANTIS**  
Governor

**LAUREL M. LEE**  
Secretary of State

February 15, 2019

James Alexander Harden, Registered Agent  
Citizens for A Better Florida (69841)  
8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, Florida 33183

**RE: FINAL NOTICE OF INTENT TO CANCEL REGISTRATION**

Dear Mr. Harden:

On January 14, 2019 the Division notified you with an Initial Notice of Intent to Cancel Registration. Pursuant to Section 106.03(7), Florida Statutes, and Rule 1S-2.021, Florida Administrative Code, that notice:

- Informed you that the Division intends to cancel the committee's registration for **failure to pay the fine(s) in the amount of \$100** imposed for the late filing of the 2018 G2A campaign treasurer's report.
- Asked you to provide documentation showing why the committee's registration should not be canceled.

We did not receive anything from you in response.

Therefore, this letter serves as a Final Notice of Intent to Cancel Registration (Notice). If you object to the cancellation, you must file a request for hearing no later than 30 days of the date of this Notice.

The request for hearing must be filed with the Division of Elections, Bureau of Election Records to the address at the bottom of this letter. Your request will be forwarded to the Florida Elections Commission (FEC). The FEC will conduct a hearing based on your request and any supporting documentation. If you want to personally appear before the FEC, you must state so in your request for a hearing.

Failure to request a hearing constitutes a waiver of your right to a hearing and a final order will be issued cancelling the committee's registration. You may opt to voluntarily terminate your committee's registration within the 30-day period mentioned above.

If you have any questions, please call (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

*for* Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/eal

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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](http://www.fec.state.fl.us); [fec@myfloridalegal.com](mailto:fec@myfloridalegal.com)**

April 5, 2019

James Alexander Harden, Chair  
Citizens for A Better Florida  
8306 Mills Drive  
Ste. 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

**RE: Case No.: FEC 19-129; Respondent: Citizens for A Better Florida**

Dear Mr. Harden:

On March 7, 2019, 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 political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because it had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting periods:

- 2018 D2
- 2018 D3
- 2018 D4
- 2018 D5
- 2018 D6
- 2018 G7
- 2018 M11

Citizens for A Better Florida  
April 5, 2019  
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**Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:** As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, during the following reporting periods:

- 2018 D2
- 2018 D3
- 2018 D4
- 2018 D5
- 2018 D6
- 2018 G7
- 2018 M11

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 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 ([www.fec.state.fl.us](http://www.fec.state.fl.us)).

If you have additional questions, please contact **Cedric Oliver**, the investigator assigned to this case.

Sincerely,  
  
Tim Vaccaro  
Executive Director

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## DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC NOTICE FORM

To FEC from Division of Elections

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**Name:** Citizens for A Better Florida  
**Account Number:** 69841  
**Chairperson:** James Alexander Harden  
**Treasurer:** Carmen Coello-Harden  
**Registered Agent:** James Alexander Harden

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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(2), Florida Statutes. An apparent violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, has occurred based upon the failure to file a report after notice or failure to file a notification to the filing officer in writing that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date under s. 106.07(7).

Report(s):

2018 D2

2018 D3

2018 D4

2018 D5

2018 D6

2018 G7

2018 M11

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**Sent By:** Kristi Reid Willis *KRW*  
**Date:** March 1, 2019

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## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Leon

**Kristi Reid Willis, 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. Citizens for A Better Florida (69841) is a political committee registered with the Division. On May 24, 2017, James Alexander Harden filed the DSDE 5 and DSDE 6 with the Division of Elections indicating that he was the chairperson.
5. The 2018 D2 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 28, 2018. On October 29, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D2 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
6. The 2018 D3 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 29, 2018. On October 30, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D3 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
7. The 2018 D4 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 30, 2018. On October 31, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D4 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
8. The 2018 D5 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 31, 2018. On November 1, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D5 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
9. The 2018 D6 campaign treasurer's report was due on November 1, 2018. On November 2, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 D6 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.

10. The 2018 G7 campaign treasurer's report was due on November 2, 2018. On November 3, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 G7 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
11. On November 19, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden second notifications that the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, and G7 campaign treasurer's reports had not been filed.
12. On December 10, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden final notifications with delivery confirmation that the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, and G7 reports had not been filed. (See attached letters and delivery confirmation.)
13. The 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report was due on December 10, 2018. On December 11, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Harden notification that the 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
14. On January 4, 2019, the Division mailed Mr. Harden second notification that the 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
15. On January 23, 2019, the Division mailed Mr. Harden final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2018 M11 report had not been filed. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)
16. Mr. Harden did not notify the Division of Elections prior to or on the prescribed reporting dates for the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, G7, and M11 reports that no reports were to be filed.

17. As of March 1, 2019, Mr. Harden has not filed the 2018 D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, G7, and M11 reports.

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



Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this **1<sup>st</sup>** day of **March, 2019**.



Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known







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December 10, 2018

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8306 Mills Drive, Suite 198  
Miami, FL 33183-3183

PAC 69841

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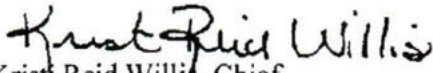
<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2018	D2	10/27/18 - 10/27/18

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Sincerely,

  
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cc: Carmen Coello-Harden, Treasurer



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Handwritten signature of Kristi Reid Willis in black ink.

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