

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Ryan Ramsey

Case No.: FEC 18-477

TO: Ryan Ramsey
PO Box 906
Lawtey, FL 32058

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

NOTICE OF VIRTUAL HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **May 25, 2021, at 8:30 am EST**, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard.

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Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
May 10, 2021

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Commission Meeting May 25, 2021 at 8:30AM via GoToWebinar and OpenVoice

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Commission Staff

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Petitioner,

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v.

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ORDER CONTINUING CASE

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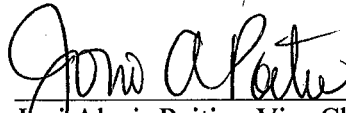
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The Commission reviewed Respondent's request and considered Staff's response. Respondent's request was **GRANTED**.

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DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on February 23, 2021.



Joni Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair
Florida Elections Commission

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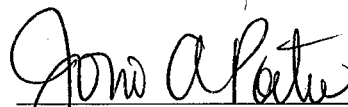
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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
February 2, 2021

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Commission Meeting February 23, 2021 at 8:30AM via GoToWebinar and OpenVoice

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ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) at its regularly scheduled meeting on December 1, 2020, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On March 6, 2020, 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:

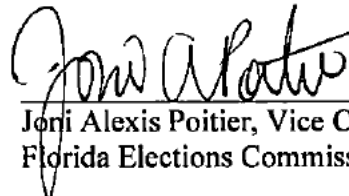
On or about September 20, 2018, Ryan Ramsey violated Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file the campaign’s 2018 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds within 90 days after being eliminated as a candidate.

Count 2:

On or around September 20, 2018, Ryan Ramsey violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when he deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the campaign's 2018 Termination Report.

The Commission finds that there is **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on December 1, 2020.



Joni Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Mattie T. Clay, Attorney
Ryan Ramsey, 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 thirty (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 thirty (30) days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed

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Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
November 9, 2020

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Sections 106.141(1), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes**, and **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes**. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on December 17, 2019, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On December 14, 2018, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections (“Division” or “Complainant”), alleging that Ryan Ramsey (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a 2018 candidate for State Representative, District 19. Respondent’s Statement of Candidate form (“DS-DE 84”) was filed on August 3, 2017. (ROI Exhibit 3)¹

3. By letter dated January 18, 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 2018 candidate for State Representative, may have failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because he had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2018 termination reporting period.

Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2018 candidate for State Representative, failed to timely file his 2018 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2018 candidate for State Representative, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include

¹ The Report of Investigation is referred to herein as “ROI.”

information in his 2018 Termination Report, as required by Chapter 106.

4. On August 3, 2017, Respondent filed his Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form ("DS-DE 9") appointing Brandi Hicks as treasurer for his campaign. (ROI Exhibit 1, page 1) On May 14, 2018, Respondent appointed himself as treasurer for his campaign. (ROI Exhibit 1, page 2)

5. By letter dated August 4, 2017, Kristi Reid Willis, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, sent Respondent a letter acknowledging that the Division had received his DS-DE 9 and that his name was placed on the 2018 active candidate list. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1)

6. The acknowledgment letter advised Respondent that all candidates 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 2, 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 Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, as well as other relevant documents. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 2)

Alleged Violation: Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes

7. Complainant alleged that Respondent violated Florida's election laws by failing to timely file the campaign's 2018 Termination Report.

8. Respondent did not qualify and was eliminated as a candidate. Respondent was required to dispose of the funds on deposit in his campaign account and file the campaign's 2018 Termination Report within 90 days after being eliminated as a candidate.

9. On September 21, 2018, November 7, 2018, and November 20, 2018, the Division sent letters notifying Respondent that his report had not been received. (ROI Exhibits 4 & 5)

10. A subpoena was issued to Respondent's designated campaign depository to ascertain whether any financial activity occurred during the relevant reporting period, i.e., June 23, 2018 – September 20, 2018. Respondent's bank records show six or more contributions totaling \$1,602.12 (including transfers from PayPal), eight expenditures totaling \$608.03, and six bank fees totaling \$36. (ROI Exhibit 6) (See ROI, page 3, Table)

11. Respondent stated that his wife helped him with the campaign reporting but acknowledged that he was ultimately responsible for it. He stated that a termination report was eventually filed. (ROI Exhibit 8, page 1) On February 4, 2019, the report was filed. It was 137 days late. (ROI Exhibit 7)

12. As it appears that Respondent had reportable financial activity during the relevant reporting period, Respondent was required to file the campaign's 2018 Termination Report within 90 days after being eliminated as a candidate, but failed to do so.

Alleged Violation: Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes

13. Complainant alleged that Respondent violated Florida's election laws by falsely reporting or deliberately failing to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the campaign's 2018 Termination Report.

14. Based on the above analysis, Respondent had reportable financial activity during the relevant reporting period. Therefore, Respondent was required to disclose the financial activity on the campaign's 2018 Termination Report.

15. To date, Respondent has not disclosed the \$2,246.15 in financial activity but rather disclosed six expenditures which are not supported by Respondent's bank records. (ROI Exhibit 6; Attachment A) With regard to Respondent's deliberate failure to include information on the campaign's report, he may have failed to disclose the campaign's financial activity as the funds were not disposed of properly pursuant to sections 106.141(4)(a), and 106.11(5), Florida Statutes, but were spent at gas stations, grocery stores, a restaurant, and a tow company or were withdrawn as cash at an ATM. (ROI Exhibit 6)

16. Respondent deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the campaign's 2018 Termination Report.

Alleged Violation: Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes

17. Complainant alleged that Respondent violated Florida's election laws by failing to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed for the 2018 Termination reporting period.

18. Based on the above analysis, the campaign was not required to submit a notice of no activity for the 2018 Termination reporting period as there was reportable financial activity that Respondent was required to disclose on his 2018 Termination Report.

19. "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).

20. The facts set forth above show that Respondent was a 2018 candidate for State Representative, District 19. Respondent failed to file the campaign's 2018 Termination Report within 90 days after being eliminated as a candidate. Respondent deliberately failed to include

information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the campaign's 2018 Termination Report. Respondent was not required to notify the filing officer that he would not be filing his 2018 Termination Report because the campaign had reportable financial activity.

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find **no probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes**, and find **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating the following:

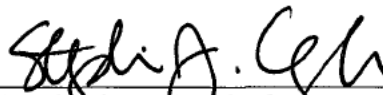
Count 1:

On or about September 20, 2018, Ryan Ramsey violated Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file the campaign's 2018 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds within 90 days after being eliminated as a candidate.

Count 2:


On or around September 20, 2018, Ryan Ramsey violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when he deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the campaign's 2018 Termination Report.

Respectfully submitted on March 6, 2020.



Stephanie J. Cunningham
Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 6th day of March 2020.



Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director



Florida Department of State
Division of Elections

Campaign Expenditures

2018 General Election
Ryan Ramsey (LPP)
State Representative

This information is being provided as a convenience to the public, has been processed by the Division of Elections and should be cross referenced with the original report on file with the Division of Elections in case of questions.
About the Campaign Finance Data Base

Rpt Yr	Rpt Type	Date	Amount	Expense Paid To	Address	City State Zip	Purpose
2018	TR	09/20/2018	-20.00	ROSE CHRISTOPHER	P.O. BOX 207	WALDO, FL 32694	DONATION REFUND
2018	TR	09/20/2018	-20.00	SANFORD DAVID	ADDRESS COULDN'T BE FOUND - REFUNDING	N/A, FL	DONATION REFUND
2018	TR	09/20/2018	720.63	RAMSEY RYAN	PO BOX 906	LAWTEY, FL 32058	CANDIDATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR FUNDS SPE
2018	TR	09/20/2018	778.74	LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF FLORIDA N	2907 PATTERSON AVE	KEY WEST, FL, FL 33040	DISPOSITION OF FUNDS TO STATE AFFILIA
2018	TR	09/20/2018	8.00	TD BANK N/A	606 W E MADISON ST	STARKE, FL 32091	BANK FEE
2018	TR	09/20/2018	500.00	LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF BRADFORD	LAWTEY	FL, FL 32058	DISPOSITION OF FUNDS TO COUNTY AFFILI

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6 Expenditure(s) Selected

[Query the Campaign Finance Data Base](#)

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Attachment A



**Florida Department of State
Division of Elections**

**2018 General Election
Ryan Ramsey (LPF)
State Representative**

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.](#)

	Filing Period	Contributions			Expend	Other	Transfers
		Monetary	Loans	InKind			
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	08/03/2017 - 08/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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<input checked="" type="radio"/>	01/01/2018 - 01/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	02/01/2018 - 02/28/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	03/01/2018 - 03/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	04/01/2018 - 04/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	05/01/2018 - 05/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<input type="radio"/>	06/01/2018 - 06/22/2018	2,210.00	0.00	0.00	162.63	0.00	0.00
<input type="radio"/>	06/23/2018 - 09/20/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,967.37	0.00	0.00
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	All Dates (Totals)	2,210.00	0.00	0.00	2,130.00	0.00	0.00

Note: ^(E) 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

Select Sort Order

Date(Ascending)

Select Output Type

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[Query the Campaign Finance Data Base](#)

Attachment A

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Case No.: FEC 18-477

Respondent: Ryan Ramsey

Complainant: Division of Elections

Pursuant to Section 106.25(2), Florida Statutes, on December 14, 2018, the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) received information from the Division of Elections (Division) that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. Commission staff, therefore, investigated whether Respondent violated the following statutes:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate who 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;

Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate to dispose of funds remaining in his campaign account within 90 days after he withdrew, became unopposed, was eliminated, or elected and to file a report reflecting the disposition of all remaining funds; 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, Ryan Ramsey, was a 2018 candidate for State Representative, District 19; he did not qualify.
2. Complainant is the Division.
3. Respondent's filing officer is Kristi Reid Willis, Chief, Bureau of Election Records.
4. On August 3, 2017, Respondent's Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository form (DS-DE 9) was filed with the Division. Respondent appointed Brandi A. Hicks as his campaign treasurer¹. To review the DS-DE 9 forms, refer to Exhibit 1.

¹ On May 14, 2018, Respondent replaced Brandi A. Hicks as campaign treasurer. On June 4, 2018, Respondent designated TD Bank as his campaign depository.

5. On August 4, 2017, Ms. Bronson sent Respondent a letter acknowledging his name had been placed on the active candidate list. The letter advised Respondent that all candidates filing reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system (EFS). Respondent was provided with a user identification number and initial password allowing him access to the EFS.

6. The letter also advised Respondent that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on their website, including Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, and the Calendar of Reporting Dates. The letter further advised Respondent that it was his responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. To review a copy of the acknowledgment letter, refer to Exhibit 2.

7. Respondent executed a Statement of Candidate form indicating that he had been provided access to read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes; the form is dated as having been signed July 27, 2017. To review the Statement of Candidate, refer to Exhibit 3.

8. On September 21 and November 7, 2018, the Division sent Respondent letters stating that he had not filed either a termination-report or notification that no reportable activity occurred and reminded him that the filing date was September 20, 2018. The letters were mailed to Respondent at the address provided on his DS-DE 9 form. To review the letters relative to the termination-report, refer to Exhibit 4.

9. On November 20, 2018, the Division sent Respondent a letter marked "Final Notice" stating that his 2018 Termination-Report or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, had not been filed. The letter was mailed to Respondent at the address provided on his DS-DE 9 form and delivered on November 21, 2018. To review the letter marked Final Notice as well as the delivery confirmation, refer to Exhibit 5.

10. On December 14, 2018, the Commission staff received a referral from the Division alleging that Respondent failed to report campaign activity during the 2018 Termination-reporting period, or in the alternative, failed to notify the filing officer that no report would be filed. The allegations will be discussed in the paragraphs that follow.

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

11. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by not notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no report would be filed due to not receiving any contributions or making any expenditures during the termination-reporting period.

12. I subpoenaed Respondent's campaign account records from his designated campaign depository, TD Bank. Based on information from the campaign depository, it appears that Respondent was not required to notify the filing officer, in writing, with a notification-of-no-activity that no report would be filed. Rather, Respondent was required to file his 2018 Termination-Report to disclose financial activity.

13. A review of the campaign account records reveals the following activity during the

termination-reporting period². To review the monthly bank statements, refer to Exhibit 6.

FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FROM JUNE 2018		
DATE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
06/25/18	5 Electronic Deposits	\$1,302.12
06/25/18	1 Electronic Payment	\$81.58
06/29/18	Maintenance Fee	\$10.00
06/29/18	Paper Statement Fee	\$2.00
FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FROM JULY 2018		
DATE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
07/31/18	Maintenance Fee	\$10.00
07/31/18	Paper Statement Fee	\$2.00
FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FROM AUGUST 2018		
DATE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
08/03 – 08/27/18	6 Electronic Payments	\$519.45
08/17/18	Deposit	\$300.00
08/31/18	Maintenance Fee	\$10.00
08/31/18	Paper Statement Fee	\$2.00
FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FROM SEPTEMBER 2018		
DATE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
09/17/18	1 Electronic Payment	\$7.00

14. Respondent did not offer a response to the referral nor did he return a questionnaire-

² Respondent did not qualify. Therefore, it appears that the reporting period for the termination-report covered June 23 – September 20, 2018.

affidavit.

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

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

16. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by not timely filing his 2018 Termination-Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds.

17. Respondent was a candidate in the 2018 election cycle; he did not qualify. Therefore, it appears that Respondent was required to dispose of his surplus funds by September 20, 2018.

18. As previously addressed, Respondent did not file his 2018 Termination-Report covering the reporting period of June 23 – September 20, 2018³. According to his monthly bank statements, on September 20, 2018, Respondent's campaign account had a balance of \$1,796.92⁴. To review the September 2018 bank statement, refer to Exhibit 6, page 4.

19. As per paragraph 14, Respondent did not offer a response to the referral nor did he return a questionnaire-affidavit.

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

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

21. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by not reporting campaign activity during the 2018 Termination-reporting period.

22. To review the circumstances relative to Respondent's campaign activity during the termination-reporting period, refer to paragraph 13.

23. According to Respondent's filing history, a notification-of-no-activity or a campaign report has been filed for each of the reporting periods prior to the reporting period covering the termination-report. To review Respondent's filing history, refer to Exhibit 7.

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

V. FEC History:

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

³ Respondent eventually filed his TR with the Division on February 4, 2019.

⁴ Bank records disclose that the account was closed with a zero balance on January 22, 2019.

Conclusion:

26. On December 16 and 17, 2019, I attempted to contact Respondent for the purpose of reviewing the case with him and to afford him an opportunity for questions or comments. However, each attempt was unsuccessful. To review the phone log, refer to Exhibit 8.

Respectfully submitted on December 17, 2019.



Keith Smith
Investigation Specialist

Current address of Respondent

Ryan Ramsey
Post Office Box 906
Lawtey, Florida 32058

Current address of Complainant

Division of Elections
500 South Bronough Street, Room 316
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Name and Address of Filing Officer:

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records
500 South Bronough Street, Room 316
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Copy furnished to: Cole Kekelis, Chief Regulatory Counsel

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Ryan Ramsey -- FEC 18-477

LIST OF EXHIBITS	
Exhibits #s	Description of Exhibits
Exhibit 1	DS-DE 9
Exhibit 2	Acknowledgment letter to R
Exhibit 3	Statement of Candidate
Exhibit 4	Ltrs dated 09/21/18 & 11/07/18
Exhibit 5	Final Notice ltr/delivery confirmation
Exhibit 6	Bank statements (June – September 2018)
Exhibit 7	R's filing history
Exhibit 8	Phone Log

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
SECRETARY OF STATE

APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES
(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifying officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: Treasurer/Deputy Depository Office Party

2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last)
RYAN RUSSELL RAMSEY

3. Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code)
PO BOX 906
LAWTEY, FL, 32058

4. Telephone
(904) 813-9092

5. E-mail address
brewerrac@gmail.com

6. Office sought (include district, circuit, group number)
FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
DISTRICT 19

7. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check if applicable:
 My intent is to run as a Write-In candidate.

8. If a candidate for a partisan office, check block and fill in name of party as applicable: My intent is to run as a
 Write-In No Party Affiliation LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF FLORIDA party candidate.

9. I have appointed the following person to act as my Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer
BRANDI HICKS

11. Mailing Address
PO BOX 906

12. Telephone
(904) 813-9092

13. City
LAWTEY

14. County
BRADFORD

15. State
FL

16. Zip Code
32058

17. E-mail address
brandiahicks@gmail.com

18. I have designated the following bank as my Primary Depository Secondary Depository

19. Name of Bank
COMMUNITY STATE BANK

20. Address
811 S WALNUT ST

21. City
STARKE

22. County
BRADFORD

23. State
FLORIDA

24. Zip Code
32091

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.

25. Date
7/27/2017

26. Signature of Candidate
X [Signature]

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block)

I, BRANDI A HICKS, do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer.

8/1/17
Date

[Signature]
Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**

(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

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2018 MAY 14 AM 10:35
DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifying officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: Treasurer/Deputy Depository Office Party

2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last)

Ryan Russell Ramsey

3. Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code)

PO Box 906
Lantana FL 32058

4. Telephone

(904) 823-9092

5. E-mail address

brewerrac@gmail.com

6. Office sought (include district, circuit, group number)

FL House of Representatives
Dist. 19

7. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check if applicable:

My intent is to run as a Write-In candidate.

8. If a candidate for a partisan office, check block and fill in name of party as applicable: My intent is to run as a

Write-In No Party Affiliation Libertarian Party of FL Party candidate.

9. I have appointed the following person to act as my Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

Ryan Ramsey (self)

11. Mailing Address

PO Box 906

12. Telephone

(904) 823-9092

13. City

Lantana

14. County

Bradford

15. State

FL

16. Zip Code

32058

17. E-mail address

brewerrac@gmail.com

18. I have designated the following bank as my Primary Depository Secondary Depository

19. Name of Bank

Community State Bank

20. Address

877 SW 1st St

21. City

Starke

22. County

Bradford

23. State

FL

24. Zip Code

32091

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.

25. Date

4/30/18

26. Signature of Candidate

X

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block).

I, RYAN RAMSEY, do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer.

4/30/18

Date

EXHIBIT

X1 Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**
(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

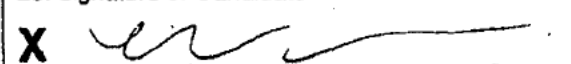
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
SECRETARY OF STATE

NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifying officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES): <input type="checkbox"/> Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer/Deputy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depository <input type="checkbox"/> Office <input type="checkbox"/> Party					
2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last) RYAN RUSSELL RAMSEY			3. Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code) PO BOX 906 LAWTEY FL 32058		
4. Telephone (904) 813-9092		5. E-mail address BREWERMAC@GMAIL.COM			
6. Office sought (include district, circuit, group number) FL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 19			7. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check it applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> My intent is to run as a Write-In candidate.		
8. If a candidate for a partisan office, check block and fill in name of party as applicable: My intent is to run as a <input type="checkbox"/> Write-In <input type="checkbox"/> No Party Affiliation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF FL Party candidate.					
9. I have appointed the following person to act as my <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campaign Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Treasurer					
10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer RYAN RAMSEY					
11. Mailing Address PO BOX 906				12. Telephone (904) 813-9092	
13. City LAWTEY		14. County BRADFORD	15. State FL	16. Zip Code 32058	17. E-mail address BREWERMAC@GMAIL.COM
18. I have designated the following bank as my <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary Depository <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary Depository					
19. Name of Bank TD BANK			20. Address 606 W MADISON ST		
21. City STARKE		22. County BRADFORD		23. State FL	24. Zip Code 32091
UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.					
25. Date 5/29/18			26. Signature of Candidate 		
27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block)					
I, <u>RYAN RAMSEY</u> , do hereby accept the appointment (Please Print or Type Name)					
designated above as: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campaign Treasurer <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Treasurer.					
<u>5/2018</u> Date		EXHIBIT X (383) Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer			



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RICK SCOTT
Governor

KEN DETZNER
Secretary of State

August 4, 2017

Ryan Russell Ramsey
Post Office Box 906
Latwy, Florida 32058

Dear Mr. Ramsey:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for the office of State Representative, which was placed on file in our office on August 3, 2017. Your name has been placed on the 2018 active candidate list.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **September 11, 2017**. The report will cover the period of August 1-31, 2017 (M8). All candidates who file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

EFS Access

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

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

Identification Number: 70005

Timely Filing

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

EXHIBIT 2 (1 of 2)

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/



Ryan Russell Ramsey
August 4, 2017
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Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

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

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: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/kep

Enclosures

PC: Brandi Hicks, Treasurer

EXHIBIT 2 (2 of 2)

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**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE**

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

(Please print or type)

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
SECRETARY OF STATE

I, RYAN RAMSEY

candidate for the office of FLORIDA HOUSE DISTRICT 19;

have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of

Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

X 
Signature of Candidate

7/27/2017
Date

Each candidate must file a statement with the qualifying officer within 10 days after the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful failure to file this form is a first degree misdemeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign Financing Act which may result in a fine of up to \$1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida Statutes).



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

September 21, 2018

Ryan Ramsey
Candidate for State Representative, District 19
Post Office Box 906
Lawtey, FL 32058-2058

CAN 70005

Dear Mr. Ramsey:

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

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

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

EXHIBIT

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

November 7, 2018

Ryan Ramsey
Candidate for State Representative, District 19
Post Office Box 906
Lawtey, FL 32058-2058

CAN 70005

Dear Mr. Ramsey:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your termination report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was September 20, 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 September 21, 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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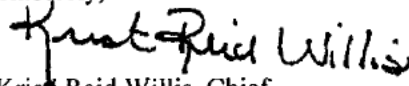

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
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Bureau of Election Records

EXHIBIT 5 (102)



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T STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY
PO BOX 906
LAWTEY FL 32058

Page: 1 of 3
Statement Period: Jun 01 2018-Jun 30 2018
Cust Ref #:
Primary Account #:

TD Business Simple Checking

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY

Account #

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	25.00	Average Collected Balance	513.25
Deposits	250.00	Interest Earned This Period	0.00
Electronic Deposits	1,865.95	Interest Paid Year-to-Date	0.00
		Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.00%
Electronic Payments	81.58	Days in Period	30
Service Charges	12.00		
Ending Balance	2,047.37		

DAILY ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Deposits

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
06/22	DEPOSIT	250.00
Subtotal:		250.00

Electronic Deposits

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
06/22	ACH DEPOSIT, PAYPAL TRANSFER 1003323765632	563.83
06/25	ACH DEPOSIT, PAYPAL TRANSFER 1003329232870	756.52
06/25	ACH DEPOSIT, PAYPAL TRANSFER 1003330877277	169.02
06/25	ACH DEPOSIT, PAYPAL TRANSFER 1003337214656	145.05
06/25	ACH DEPOSIT, PAYPAL TRANSFER 1003332789597	144.74
06/25	ACH DEPOSIT, PAYPAL TRANSFER 1003331208504	86.79
Subtotal:		1,865.95

Electronic Payments

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
06/25	DEBIT CARD PURCHASE, AUT 062318 VISA DDA PUR THE DOWNTOWN GRILL STARKE * FL 4085404020774968	81.58
Subtotal:		81.58

Service Charges

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
06/29	MAINTENANCE FEE	10.00
06/29	PAPER STATEMENT FEE	2.00
Subtotal:		12.00

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T STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY
PO BOX 906
LAWTEY FL 32058

Page: 1 of 2
Statement Period: Jul 01 2018-Jul 31 2018
Cust Ref #:
Primary Account #:

TD Business Simple Checking
COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	2,047.37	Average Collected Balance	2,047.37
Service Charges	12.00	Interest Earned This Period	0.00
Ending Balance	2,035.37	Interest Paid Year-to-Date	0.00
		Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.00%
		Days in Period	31

DAILY ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Service Charges

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
07/31	MAINTENANCE FEE	10.00
07/31	PAPER STATEMENT FEE	2.00
	Subtotal:	12.00

DAILY BALANCE SUMMARY

DATE	BALANCE	DATE	BALANCE
06/30	2,047.37	07/31	2,035.37

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T STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY
PO BOX 906
LAWTEY FL 32058

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Statement Period: Aug 01 2018-Aug 31 2018
Cust Ref #:
Primary Account #:

TD Business Simple Checking

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY

Account #

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	2,035.37	Average Collected Balance	1,868.99
Deposits	300.00	Interest Earned This Period	0.00
Electronic Payments	519.45	Interest Paid Year-to-Date	0.00
Service Charges	12.00	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.00%
Ending Balance	1,803.92	Days in Period	31

DAILY ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Deposits

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
08/17	DEPOSIT	300.00
	Subtotal:	300.00

Electronic Payments

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
08/03	DEBIT CARD PURCHASE, AUT 080218 VISA DDA PUR SPRATLIN TOWING AND RECO HAMPTON * FL 4085404020774968	200.00
08/15	NONTD ATM DEBIT, AUT 081518 DDA WITHDRAW GATESTR 0529V AD JACKSONVILLE * FL 4085404020774968	103.00
08/15	NONTD ATM FEE	3.00
08/22	DEBIT POS, AUT 082118 DDA PURCHASE WAL SUPERC WAL MART SUP JACKSONVILLE * FL 4085404020774968	133.41
08/22	DEBIT POS, AUT 082118 DDA PURCHASE WALGREENS STORE 2703 PAR JACKSONVILLE * FL 4085404020774968	64.24
08/27	DEBIT CARD PURCHASE, AUT 082418 VISA DDA PUR SHELL OIL 1247880001 STARKE * FL 4085404020774968	15.80
	Subtotal:	519.45

Service Charges

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
08/31	MAINTENANCE FEE	10.00
08/31	PAPER STATEMENT FEE	2.00
	Subtotal:	12.00

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

COMMITTEE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY

Page: 3 of 3
Statement Period: Aug 01 2018-Aug 31 2018
Cust Ref #:
Primary Account #:

DAILY BALANCE SUMMARY

DATE	BALANCE	DATE	BALANCE
07/31	2,035.37	08/22	1,831.72
08/03	1,835.37	08/27	1,815.92
08/15	1,729.37	08/31	1,803.92
08/17	2,029.37		

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T STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY
 PO BOX 906
 LAWTEY FL 32058

Page: 1 of 2
 Statement Period: Sep 01 2018-Sep 30 2018
 Cust Ref #:
 Primary Account #:

TD Business Simple Checking

COMMITTE TO ELECT RYAN R RAMSEY

Account #

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Beginning Balance	1,803.92	Average Collected Balance	1,800.65
Electronic Payments	7.00	Interest Earned This Period	0.00
Service Charges	12.00	Interest Paid Year-to-Date	0.00
Ending Balance	1,784.92	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.00%
		Days in Period	30

DAILY ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Electronic Payments

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
09/17	DEBIT CARD PURCHASE, AUT 091318 VISA DDA PUR SHELL OIL 1247880001 STARKE *FL 4085404020774968	7.00
	Subtotal:	7.00

Service Charges

POSTING DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
09/28	MAINTENANCE FEE	10.00
09/28	PAPER STATEMENT FEE	2.00
	Subtotal:	12.00

DAILY BALANCE SUMMARY

DATE	BALANCE	DATE	BALANCE
08/31	1,803.92	09/28	1,784.92
09/17	1,796.92		

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Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Candidate Name: Ryan Ramsey

Name:

Account: 70005

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
9/20/2018	TR	2/4/2019	DFS	137	\$489.84		\$489.84	\$0.00
6/29/2018	P1	6/29/2018						
6/11/2018	M5	6/12/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5/10/2018	M4	5/10/2018						
4/10/2018	M3	4/9/2018						
3/12/2018	M2	3/12/2018						
2/12/2018	M1	2/12/2018						
1/10/2018	M12	1/11/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
12/11/2017	M11	12/10/2017						
11/13/2017	M10	11/13/2017						
10/10/2017	M9	10/11/2017	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
9/22/2017	M8	10/11/2017	FEC	19	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00

EXHIBIT

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**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 18-477**

Respondent: Ryan Ramsey

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** 04/15/19; 5:50 p.m.

Name: Ryan Ramsey—Respondent

Phone #: 904-813-9092

Summary: I phoned regarding Respondent's failure to file his 2018 TR (R filed his TR 137 days late, after his receipt of our notice of referral), and reached his voice-mailbox (identified R and Libertarian Party of Florida) requesting caller to leave a message; I identified myself, provided my contact number, usual business hours and requested he return my call.

Memo to File? No

Entered by: HH

2. **Date and time:** 10/16/19 @ 1:40 p.m.

Name: Respondent

Phone #: 904-813-9092

Summary: I called and spoke with Respondent for the purpose of asking him about the status of a questionnaire-affidavit that was mailed to him in mid-September and due in our office on 10/09/18. Respondent said that his wife had just recently left him, and he went out of town for about two weeks and just recently returned. He said that the affidavit is probable in a stack of mail that he hasn't gone through yet. I explained to him that the affidavit was to obtain information from him as to the allegations that he violated Sections 106.07(7), 104.141(1), and 106.19(1)(c), FS, as alleged in the referral from the Division. I explained to him that the main allegation is that he did not file a termination-report to disclose financial activity at the time of the referral. Respondent said that he recalled that a termination report was eventually filed. I informed him that without his input in completing the affidavit, the report of investigation would be only the information from the Division plus the what the bank records revealed. Respondent said that his wife helped him with the campaign and reporting but he acknowledged that he was responsible. I also explained to him that at any time prior to the case being presented for probable cause determination, he could agree to a consent order and pay a fine and forgo having to complete the affidavit and a hearing. Respondent said that he would just rather pay a fine and be done with it all if he could. He did say that he is headed to bankruptcy court tomorrow, but he believes he would be in a position to just pay a fine. I informed him that I would pass along his case file to our office attorney would reach-out to him via e-mail. He provided his e-mail address as, brewerracc@gmail.com.

Memo to File? No

Entered by: KS

3. **Date and time:** 12/16/19 @ 10:55 a.m.

Name: Respondent

EXHIBIT 8 (1 of 2)

Phone #: 904-813-9092

Summary: I tried calling Respondent for the purpose of reviewing the case with him. After the second ring, it appeared that someone answered the phone, said nothing, and then hung-up.

Memo to File? No

Entered by: KS

4. **Date and time:** 12/16/19 @ 2:21 p.m.
Name: Respondent
Phone #: 904-813-9092
Summary: I tried calling Respondent again. Same as entry #3.
Memo to File? No
Entered by: KS
5. **Date and time:** 12/17/19 @ 9:08 a.m.
Name: Respondent
Phone #: 904-813-9092
Summary: Tried calling Respondent; same as entries 3 and 4.
Memo to File? No
Entered by: KS
6. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:
7. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:
8. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:
9. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No

EXHIBIT

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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January 18, 2019

Ryan Ramsey
P.O. Box 906
Lawtey, FL 32058-2058

RE: Case No.: FEC 18-477; Respondent: Ryan Ramsey

Dear Mr. Ramsey:

On December 14, 2018, 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 2018 candidate for State Representative, may have failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because he had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2018 termination reporting period.

Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2018 candidate for State Representative, failed to timely file his 2018 Termination Report reflecting the disposition of all remaining campaign funds.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2018 candidate for State Representative, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in his 2018 Termination Report, as required by Chapter 106.

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

Ryan Ramsey
January 18, 2019
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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).

If you have additional questions, please contact Helen Hinson, the investigator assigned to this case at extension 115.

Sincerely,



Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

TV/enr

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC NOTICE FORM

To FEC from Division of Elections

Name: Ryan Ramsey
Account Number: 70005
Treasurer: Ryan Ramsey

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

The following report or notice is outstanding after notification:

2018 TR

Sent By: Kristi Reid Willis *KRW*
Date: December 12, 2018

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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. Ryan Ramsey (70005) was a 2018 candidate for the office of State Representative.
5. On August 3, 2017, Mr. Ramsey filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository with the Division.
6. The 2018 TR campaign treasurer's report was due on September 20, 2018. On September 21, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Ramsey notification that the 2018 TR treasurer's report had not been filed.
7. On November 7, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Ramsey notification that the 2018 TR treasurer's report had not been filed.
8. On November 20, 2018, the Division mailed Mr. Ramsey final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2018 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)
9. Mr. Ramsey did not notify the Division of Elections prior to or on the prescribed reporting date for the 2018 TR report that no report was to be filed.

10. As of December 12, 2018, Mr. Ramsey has not filed the 2018 TR report.

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

Kent Reed Wilks
Signature of Affiant

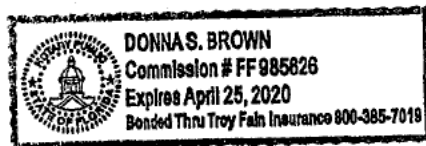
Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this **12th** day
of **December, 2018**.

Donna S. Brown

Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known





FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

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November 20, 2018

Ryan Ramsey
Candidate for State Representative, District 19
Post Office Box 906
Lawtey, FL 32058-2058

CAN 70005

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Sincerely,

Krist Reid Willis, Chief
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