STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Coalition For A Competitive Florida

TO: Kriztofer Cole, Chair 12281 Old Grade Road Polk City, FL 33868

Case No.: FEC 21-125

Division of Elections 500 South 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, **May 17, 2023 at 8:30**, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: Via Webinar Registration URL: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/571953185404345941

> Audio participation: 1-877-309-2074

Attendee – muted: 966-952-589

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

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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission May 2, 2023 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

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STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

v.

Case No.: FEC 21-125

Coalition for a Competitive Florida, Respondent.

ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 24, 2023, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On October 6, 2022, 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 violations:

Count 1:

On or about June 19, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 P1 Report.

Count 2:

On or about August 21, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 P7A Report.

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Count 3:

On or about September 18, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 G2A Report.

Count 4:

On or about October 2, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 G3A Report.

Count 5:

On or about October 9, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 G4 Report.

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On or about October 24, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D1 Report.

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On or about October 25, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D2 Report.

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On or about October 26, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D3 Report.

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On or about October 27, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D4 Report.

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On or about October 28, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D5 Report.

Count 11:

On or about October 29, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D6 Report.

Count 12:

On or about October 30, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 G6 Report.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on January 24, 2023.

Tim Vaccaro, J.D., Executive Director For Nicholas Primrose, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to: Mattie T. Clay, Assistant General Counsel Coalition for a Competitive 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 <u>consent order</u> 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 <u>informal hearing</u> held before the Commission, if you <u>do not</u> 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 <u>formal hearing</u> held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings ("DOAH"), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 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 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 thirty (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 FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION In Re: Coalition for a Competitive Florida

TO: Kriztofer Cole, Chair 12281 Old Grade Road Polk City, FL 33868

Case No.: FEC 21-125

Division of Elections 500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399-6596

NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, January 24, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/i/86542842462?pwd=VidKeGRicFAvZko2Y1pTZmo1cU5pdz09

Meeting ID: 865 4284 2462 Passcode: 5UuWmT

AUDIO PARTICIPATION: 1-301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 865 4284 2462

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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission January 9, 2023

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TO: Coalition for a Competitive Florida Kriztofer Cole, Chair 12281 Old Grade Road Polk City, FL 33868

Division of Elections 500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399-6596

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

You are hereby notified that **the previously scheduled hearing for December 14, 2022**, **is cancelled**. It is anticipated that your case will be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting, which will be scheduled for a date to be determined in either January 2023 or February 2023.

A Notice of Hearing will be mailed to you approximately 14 days prior to the new hearing date.

<u>Tim Vaccaro</u>

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission December 13, 2022

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NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **December 14, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.**, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: **House Office Building, 402 South Monroe Street, 306 HOB, Mashburn Hall, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.**

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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 **Section 106.07(7)**, Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on September 8, 2022, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On February 15, 2021, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections ("Division"), alleging that Coalition for a Competitive Florida ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a political committee registered with the Division. (ROI Exhibit 1, page 2)¹

3. By letter dated March 5, 2021, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provision:

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:

• 2020 P1	• 2020 G4	• 2020 D4
• 2020 P7A	• 2020 D1	• 2020 D5
• 2020 G2A	• 2020 D2	• 2020 D6
• 2020 G3A	• 2020 D3	• 2020 G6

4. By letter dated March 26, 2020, Kristi Reid Willis, 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 committees filing reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system ("EFS"), and provided

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

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 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 2)

6. Pursuant to Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, in any reporting period during which a political committee has not received funds, made any contributions, or expended any reportable funds, the filing of the required report for that period is waived. However, the political committee is required to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that no report is being filed on that date.

7. The *Political Committee Handbook* references the statutory requirement regarding written notification and directs political committees to notify the Division by way of the Division's electronic filing system. (ROI Exhibit 5, page 2) The *Political Committee EFS User's Guide* shows the process through which to notify the Division. The user's guide instructs political committees to select the relevant reporting period and place a checkmark in a box titled "Waiver" to indicate the lack of reportable financial activity. (ROI Exhibit 6, page 2)

8. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed for the following reporting periods, as set forth in the table below. (ROI Exhibit 7, page 1)

Report	Report Cover Period	Date Notification Due	Date Notification Filed	No. of Days Late
2020 P1	6/1/20 - 6/12/20	6/19/20	6/26/20	7
2020 P7A	8/14/20	8/21/20	8/22/20	1
2020 G2A	9/5/20 - 9/11/20	9/18/20	9/24/20	6
2020 G3A	9/19/20 - 9/25/20	10/2/20	10/16/20	14
2020 G4	9/26/20 - 10/2/20	10/9/20	10/11/20	2
2020 D1	10/17/20 - 10/23/20	10/24/20	10/25/20	1
2020 D2	10/24/20	10/25/20	11/8/20	14
2020 D3	10/25/20	10/26/20	11/8/20	13
2020 D4	10/26/20	10/27/20	11/8/20	12
2020 D5	10/27/20	10/28/20	11/8/20	11
2020 D6	10/28/20	10/29/20	11/8/20	10
2020 G6	10/17/20 - 10/29/20	10/30/20	11/8/20	9

9. Kriztofer Cole, chairperson for Respondent, stated that he was under the impression that the committee was closed, so he was unsure as to why he kept receiving correspondence from the Division and the Commission about various fine amounts. He stated that he filed for bankruptcy and had no money to pay any fine amount. He could not recall if he was instructed to review Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, or the *Political Committee Handbook*. (ROI Exhibit 9, page 1)

10. "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).

11. The facts set forth above show that Respondent was a political committee registered with the Division. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed for the 2020 P1, 2020 P7A, 2020 G2A, 2020 G3A, 2020 G4, 2020 D1, 2020 D2, 2020 D3, 2020 D4, 2020 D5, 2020 D6, and 2020 G6 reporting periods.

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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On or about October 29, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 D6 Report.

Count 12:

On or about October 30, 2020, Coalition for a Competitive 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 2020 G6 Report.

Respectfully submitted on October _____, 2022.

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Mattie T. Clay Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 642 day of October 2022.

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Stephanie J. Cunningham General Counsel

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Failure to Notify Filing Officer

Case Number: FEC 21-125

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate or political committee that did not receive any contributions or make any expenditures during a reporting period to timely notify the filing officer, in writing, that no report is being filed.

Respondent: Coalition for a Competitive Florida

Respondent's Atty: N/A

Division of Elections (Division) Referral Filed: February 15, 2021

Respondent Type: Political Committee

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent was a political committee formerly registered with the Division. To review a copy of Respondent's disbandment letter with the Division response, refer to Exhibit 1.

2. An Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 6) was filed on March 18, 2020. Eric Davis was appointed as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 6, refer to Exhibit 2.

3. A Statement of Organization (DS-DE 5) for the political committee was filed with the Division on March 26, 2020. To review the Statement of Organization, refer to Exhibit 3.

4. An acknowledgement letter was mailed to the address provided on the DS-DE 6 on March 26, 2020, advising Respondent that all political committees filing reports with the Division are required to file by means of the Division's electronic filing system (EFS). Respondent was provided with a user identification number and initial password allowing access to the EFS.

5. The acknowledgement 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 *Political Committee Handbook*, and the *Calendar of Reporting Dates*. The letter further advised that it was Respondent's responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. To review the acknowledgement letter, refer to Exhibit 4.

6. The *Political Committee Handbook* discusses filing a waiver when there is no activity to disclose. To review the relevant page of the *Handbook*, refer to Exhibit 5.

7. The *Political Committee EFS User's Guide* discusses how to notify the Division on the prescribed reporting date that no report will be filed using the EFS. Specifically, the *Handbook* instructs the user to click the box next to "waiver" if there is no activity to disclose. To review the relevant pages from the *EFS User's Guide*, refer to Exhibit 6.

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

8. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by not timely notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no report(s) would be filed due to not receiving any contributions or making expenditures during the following reporting period(s). To review Respondent's filing history reflecting the untimely filed notification(s) summarized below, refer to Exhibit 7.

Report	Report Cover Period	Date Notification Due	Date Notification Filed	No. of Days Late
2020 P1	6/1/20 - 6/12/20	6/19/20	6/26/20	7
2020 P7A	8/14/20	8/21/20	8/22/20	1
2020 G2A	9/5/20 - 9/11/20	9/18/20	9/24/20	6
2020 G3A	9/19/20 - 9/25/20	10/2/20	10/16/20	14
2020 G4	9/26/20 - 10/2/20	10/9/20	10/11/20	2
2020 D1	10/17/20 - 10/23/20	10/24/20	10/25/20	1
2020 D2	10/24/20	10/25/20	11/8/20	14
2020 D3	10/25/20	10/26/20	11/8/20	13
2020 D4	10/26/20	10/27/20	11/8/20	12
2020 D5	10/27/20	10/28/20	11/8/20	11
2020 D6	10/28/20	10/29/20	11/8/20	10
2020 G6	10/17/20 - 10/29/20	10/30/20	11/8/20	9

9. Respondent did respond to the referral. Respondent's Chairperson stated, "I received a letter from your department about late campaign finance reports and I believe it is all a big misunderstanding because a paper for closure was not filed with the state for closure. I received letters about the missing campaign finance reports after I already filed a paper for closure and assumed it would take a while for the response so I put in waivers. I called them today and they said they never filed the closure paperwork and that I had to send it in again and it would be filed today. The pac never made money and it was all just waivers. I'm requesting that upon closure today the case get dismissed." To review Respondent's response, refer to Exhibit 8.

10. On February 23, 2022, I called Respondent's Chairperson for the purpose of providing an opportunity to discuss the allegations made in the referral. He explained that he was under the impression that the political committee was closed, so he was unsure as to why he kept receiving correspondence from Division and our office about various fine amounts. He stated that he had filed for bankruptcy and has no money to pay any fine amount. He could not recall if he was instructed to review Chapter 106, Florida Statutes or the *Political Committee Handbook*, and indicated that he did not have anything to add at this time To review the phone log, refer to Exhibit 9.

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR:

Date: September 8, 2022

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Coalition for a Competitive Florida -- FEC 21-125

	LIST OF EXHIBITS					
Exhibits #s	Description of Exhibits					
Exhibit 1	Political Committee's Disbandment Letter with the Division Response					
Exhibit 2	DS-DE 6 Form					
Exhibit 3	Statement of Organization					
Exhibit 4	Acknowledgement Letter					
Exhibit 5	Relevant pages from the Political Committee Handbook					
Exhibit 6	Relevant pages from the EFS User's Guide					
Exhibit 7	Filing History					
Exhibit 8	Respondent's Response					
Exhibit 9	Phone Log					

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

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LAUREL M. LEE Secretary of State

February 24, 2021

Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson Coalition for a Competitive Florida (75268) 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, Florida 33569

Dear Mr. Cole:

This will acknowledge receipt of your committee's letter informing us of the disbandment of **Coalition for a Competitive Florida** as a political committee. This information has been placed on file in our office. Your final report (2021 M2) may be filed at any time but is due no later than **March 10, 2021.** This report must be filed via the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS). If you have no activity to report, you are still required to file a waiver. Should you need to file amendments after the final report has been filed, please contact our office to have your account activated.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further assistance to you at any time, please do not hesitate to call (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

K-t Preid Willis

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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pc: Eric Davis, Treasurer

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1. Full Name of Committee Coalition for a Competitive	e Florida	11.0	Telephone 8639697790	
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Street Address (include city, 11504 Bay Gardens Loop	, Riverview, FL 33569			
2. Affiliated or Connected Or committees)	ganizations (includes other committ	ees of continuous e	xistence and political	
Name of Affiliated or Connected Organization	Mailing Addre	Mailing Address		
None				
3. Area, Scope and Jurisdict Supporting or opposing st	ion of the Committee atewide, legislative, multicounty	candidates and/or	issues	
4. Nature of Organization or Political	Organization's Special Interest (e.g.,	medical, legal, edu	cation, etc.)	
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Eric Davis	11504 Bay Gardens Loop, Rive FL 33569	view, Treasur	er	

6. List by Name, Address and Position, Other Principal Officers, Including Officers and Members of the Finance Committee, If Any (include chairman's name)								
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Kriztofer Cole	11504 Bay Gardens Loc FL 33569	op, Riverview,	Chairman					
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Kriztofer Cole	11504 Bay Gardens Loop, Riverview, FL 33569	Florida Senat	e District 19	Republican				
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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March 26, 2020

Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, Florida 33569

Dear Mr. Cole:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Coalition for a Competitive Florida**, which were placed on file in our office on March 26, 2020. 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 **April 10, 2020**. The report will cover the period of March 1-31, 2020 (2020 M3). All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

EFS Access

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. Enclosed are the committee's confidential, filing credentials.

EFS Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 75268

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

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Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson March 26, 2020 Page Two

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 three 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 the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

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

Instructions and Assistance

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

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>https://dos.myflorida.com/elections</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: 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,

Rud Willis

Kristi^IReid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

KRW/dlh

Enclosures

pc: Eric Davis, Treasurer

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Political Committee Handbook





(Rev. 9/27/2019)

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Any political committee required to file reports with a filing officer other than the Division must file reports on the 60th day immediately preceding the primary election and bi-weekly on each Friday thereafter through and including the 4th day immediately preceding the general election, with additional reports due on the 25th and 11th days before the primary election and the general election.

Unless the electronic filing requirements of Section <u>106.0705</u>, Florida Statutes, apply, reports shall be filed no later than 5 p.m. of the day designated. A report postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than midnight of the day designated is deemed timely filed. A report received by the filing officer within five days after the designated due date that was delivered by the U.S. Postal Service is deemed timely filed unless it has a postmark indicating the report was mailed after the designated due date. A certificate of mailing obtained from and dated by the U.S. Postal Service at the time of mailing or a receipt from an established courier company, which bears a date on or before the date on which the report is due, is proof of mailing in a timely manner.

Reports filed with the Division through the <u>Electronic Filing System</u> (<u>EFS</u>) are due no later than midnight, Eastern Time, of the due date.

(Sections <u>106.07</u>, <u>106.0705</u>, and <u>106.141</u>, Fla. Stat.; <u>Chapter 11: Electronic Filing of Campaign Reports</u>)

Penalty for Late Filing

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

(Section <u>106.07(8)</u>, Fla. Stat.)

Notice of No Activity

When there has been no reportable activity in the campaign account during a reporting period (no funds expended or received) the filing of the report is waived. However, the political committee **must notify the filing officer in writing on or before the prescribed reporting date that no report is being filed on that date**. (A notice of no activity filed with the Division must be filed electronically using the <u>EFS</u>.) The next report filed must specify that the report covers the entire period between the last submitted report and the report being filed.

(Sections 106.07(7) and 106.0705, Fla. Stat.)

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Department of State Division of Elections

Political Committee EFS User's Guide



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EFS HELP LINE: 850-245-6280

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The **Due Date** will automatically fill in based on the **Calendar of Election and Reporting Dates**.

If this report is for a special election, click the box next to **Special Election Report**. (If no special elections are scheduled this option will not be available.)

*******NOTE*******

If this report is a waiver of report (no activity), click the 🔝 box next to Waiver.

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Florida Election System Reports Candidate/Committee Lookup

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1/11/2021	M12	2/13/2021	CLO	33	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
12/10/2020	M11	12/1/2020						
11/10/2020	M10	11/8/2020						
10/30/2020	G6	11/8/2020	FEC	9	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/29/2020	D6	11/8/2020	FEC	10	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/28/2020	D5	11/8/2020	FEC	11	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/27/2020	D4	11/8/2020	FEC	12	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/26/2020	D3	11/8/2020	FEC	13	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/25/2020	D2	11/8/2020	FEC	14	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/24/2020	D1	10/25/2020	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
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10/9/2020	G4	10/11/2020	FEC	2	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/2/2020	G3A	10/16/2020	FEC	14	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
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9/18/2020	-	9/24/2020	FEC	6	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
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9/4/2020	G1A	8/30/2020						
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4/10/2020	М3	4/9/2020						

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Coalition for a Competitive 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. <u>About the Campaign Finance Data Base</u>. If all contributions for a reporting period are less than 1 dollar Then they may not be displayed.

		C	Contributions				
	Filing Period	Monetary	Loans	InKind	Expend	Other	Transfers
\bigcirc	03/16/2020 - 03/31/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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\bigcirc	05/01/2020 - 05/31/2020	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/01/2020 - 06/12/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/13/2020 - 06/19/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/20/2020 - 06/26/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/27/2020 - 07/03/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/04/2020 - 07/10/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/11/2020 - 07/17/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/18/2020 - 07/24/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/25/2020 - 07/31/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/01/2020 - 08/13/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/14/2020 - 08/14/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/15/2020 - 08/21/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/22/2020 - 08/28/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/29/2020 - 09/04/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/05/2020 - 09/11/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/12/2020 - 09/18/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/19/2020 - 09/25/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/26/2020 - 10/02/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/03/2020 - 10/09/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/10/2020 - 10/16/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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W	10/26/2020 - 10/26/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/27/2020 - 10/27/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/28/2020 - 10/28/2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Note: (E) indicates that report was filed electronically

X Indicates that detail has not been released

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

Select Detail Type

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Contributions

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Date(Ascending)

Display On Screen 🗸

Submit Query Now

Query the Campaign Finance Data Base

[Department of State] [Division of Elections] [Candidates and Races] [Campaign Finance Information]

https://dos.elections.myflorida.com/cgi-bin/TreSel.exe

2/26/2021



Attention: Molly DonovanKriztofer Cole to: fec 02/23/2021 10:48 AM

From: "Kriztofer Cole" <krizcole@gmail.com> To: fec@myfloridalegal.com History: This message has been replied to.

I received a letter from your department about late campaign finance reports and I believe it is all a big misunderstanding because a paper for closure was not filed with the state for closure. I received letters about the missing campaign finance reports after I already filed a paper for closure and assumed it would take a while for the response so I put in waivers. I called them today and they said they never filed the closure paperwork and that I had to send it in again and it would be filed today. the pac never made money and it was all just waivers. I'm requesting that upon closure today the case get dismissed.

V/R Kriztofer Cole

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 21-125

Respondent: Coalition for a Competitive Florida

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** February 23, 2021, 10:27 am **Name:** Kriztofer Cole, Chair

Phone #: 863-969-7790

Summary: Mr. Cole called. He said he had closed his PAC and was confused why he was receiving correspondence from us. I looked at the Division's website and told him that the committee is still active and there are no documents on the website that indicate there is a request to disband the committee. I told him he would need to speak with the Division on disbandment action. I then told him that closing the committee does not make any case with us "go away." I explained the typical MVCO offer for this type of case. He said he didn't understand how we could fine him if there was no money involved, hence the waivers. I told him that filing a late waiver of report is still considered a violation of the Election Code.

He stated he was going to sue the State of Florida and file for bankruptcy so that we could "not get a dime out of him." He wanted to speak with an attorney in the office; however, this was the day of the Commission meeting. He reiterated that he would go bankrupt if he had to, in order to fight this. I simply replied that I would note that statement. He also asked me to note that he is going to reach out to his State Attorney about this. His call back number is 863-969-7790.

Entered by: MD

 Date and time: February 23, 2022 @ 2:40 pm Name: Kristofer Cole—Chairman Phone #: (863) 969-7790

> Summary: I had telephone contact to complete final interview. Mr. Cole explained that he has filed bankruptcy and has no money to pay any fine amount. Mr. Cole reiterated that he had already explained this to to several staff members. He stated that he had requested that the committee be closed but he kept receiving correspondence from our office charging him with various fines in different amounts. He stated that he was under the impression that the committee closed when he requested that it to be. I advised that I had that information already documented and was just calling to give him a status update on the investigation and offer him a chance to add anything to the investigation. He stated that he didn't have anything to add at this time. He stated that he can provide documentation detailing that he receives assistance from the state, and he's also had to sale his home due to his inability to afford it any longer. He gave me his father's mailing address for us to send correspondence: 12281 Old Grade Rd., Polk City, Fl 33868. When questioned about if he had been instructed to review Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the Political Committee Handbook, or any other documents from his Filing Officer, he stated that he could not recall being instructed to review any of that information. He stated that it was possible but he couldn't recall.

Exhibit 9 Page 1 of 3

Entered by: CKO

- 3. Date and time: Name: Phone #: Summary: Entered by:
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RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO – Call details at #2

Type and ask your case specific question(s) first, then ask the remaining questions.

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Exhibit 9 Page 2 of 3

- Why were the campaign reports detailed in this complaint untimely filed?
- Did the political committee have any financial activity during the reporting periods?
- Have you ever run for public office? If so, please name each office you ran for and state what year each election occurred.
- Have you ever been appointed to act as a campaign treasurer for a candidate? If so, please name each such candidate, the office each ran for, and state what year each election occurred.
- Have you ever held the office of chairperson, treasurer, or other similar position for a political committee or electioneering communications organization? If so, please name each committee, state the office you held for each, and state when you held each office.
- Have you ever prepared or signed a campaign treasurer's report? If so, please state the name of the candidate or committee whose report you prepared or signed.
- What action have you taken to determine your responsibilities under Florida's election laws?
- Do you possess a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes? If so, when did you first obtain it? Have you read it?
- Do you possess a copy of the *Political Committee Handbook*? If so, when did you first obtain it? Have you read it?
- *If a section of Chapter 104 is listed in the LS letter, ask:* Do you possess a copy of Chapter 104, Florida Statutes? If so, when did you first obtain it? Have you read it?
- Did you receive any other materials from your filing officer? If so, please describe them.
- Do you have anything else to add for the Commission's consideration regarding the charges specified in the letter of legal sufficiency in this case?

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Florida Elections Commission

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March 5, 2021

Kriztofer Cole, Chair Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, FL 33569-2032

RE: Case No.: FEC 21-125; Respondent: Coalition for a Competitive Florida

Dear Mr. Cole:

On February 15, 2021, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging your committee 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 violation(s):

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:

•	2020 P1	•	2020 G4		2020 D4
•	2020 P7A	•	2020 D1	•	2020 D5
	2020 G2A		2020 D2	•	2020 D6
٠	2020 G3A	٠	2020 D3	٠	2020 G6

However, prior to an investigation, you have the option to <u>resolve your case now by</u> signing a minor violation consent order and <u>paying a fine of \$600</u>, per Rule 2B-1.003, Florida Administrative Code, <u>rather than the potential \$1,000 per violation</u> provided for in Section 106.265, Florida Statutes.

If you sign the consent order, <u>you would not be required to admit or deny the allegation(s)</u> in the complaint, but you would be required to immediately correct the violation, if feasible.

The signed consent order would then be considered by the Commission at its next available meeting and would constitute final action by the Commission once it is accepted and approved by the Commission. You and the Complainant will receive notice at least 14 days before any hearing at which your case is to be considered.

Coalition for a Competitive Florida March 5, 2021 Page 2 FEC 21-125

<u>Please contact Eric Lipman by phone at (850) 922-4539, by email at</u> <u>Eric.Lipman@myfloridalegal.com</u>, or at the address listed above, to accept this minor violation consent order.

If you choose not to resolve this case by consent order, an investigation will be conducted, the Commission will hold one or more hearings to determine whether the alleged violation(s) occurred and, if so, the amount of fine to be imposed upon your committee.

Please note that all documents related to this matter will be mailed to the above address unless you notify us of a new address.

For additional information, please refer to the "Frequently Asked Questions" section on the Commission's website.

Sincerely, in Vaccaro

Tim Vaccaro Executive Director

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC NOTICE FORM

To FEC from Division of Elections

Name:	Coalition for a Competitive Florida
Account Number:	75268
Chairperson:	Kriztofer Cole
Treasurer:	Eric Davis
Registered Agent:	Louella Hale

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 repeated late filings or failure to notify the filing officer in writing that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date as required by section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, for the following reports:

2020 P1	2020 P7A	2020 G2A
2020 G3A	2020 G4	2020 D1
2020 D2	2020 D3	2020 D4
2020 D5	2020 D6	2020 G6

- Coalition for a Competitive Florida (75268) is a political committee registered with the Division of Elections. On March 26, 2020, the committee filed the DSDE 5 and DSDE 6 with the Division indicating that Kriztofer Cole was the chairperson and Eric Davis was the treasurer for the committee.
- The 2020 P1 campaign treasurer's report was due on June 19, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On June 26, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2020 P7A campaign treasurer's report was due on August 21, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On August 22, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)

- The 2020 G2A campaign treasurer's report was due on September 18, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On September 24, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2020 G3A campaign treasurer's report was due on October 2, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On October 16, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2020 G4 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 9, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On October 11, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2020 D1 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 24, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On October 25, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2020 D2 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 25, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On November 8, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)
- The 2020 D3 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 26, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On November 8, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)
- The 2020 D4 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 27, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On November 8, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)
- The 2020 D5 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 28, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On November 8, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)

Coalition for a Competitive Florida (75268) Page Three

- The 2020 D6 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 29, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On November 8, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)
- The 2020 G6 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 30, 2020. Coalition for a Competitive Florida failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On November 8, 2020, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)

Sent By: Kristi Reid Willis Date: February 10, 2021 mcc

D: 75268 Name: Coalition for	or a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - P1 - 4 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:27:46 PM
Covers: 6/1/2020-6/12/2020 Due: 6/19/2020	Amended 🗹 Waiver
Filed: 6/26/2020 12:46:28 PM	File Status: Filed Report
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July 14, 2020

Eric Davis, Treasurer Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, FL 33569-3569

PAC 75268

Dear Mr. Davis:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of June 19, 2020, was not filed until June 26, 2020. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

However, to avoid potential issues in the future, please note that state law (s. 106.07(7), Fla. Stat.) requires you to file by the dates set out also in law, either a campaign finance report or if applicable, a notification that no reportable activity occurred for the reporting period. Failure to do may constitute a violation of sections 106.07(1) and 106.19(1)(c), Fla. Stat. The Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of any apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat., or any failure to file a report or information required by chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If a matter is referred to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation.

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

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Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

cc: Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson

D: 75268 Name: Coalition f	or a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - P7A - 13 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:28:06 PM
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Report: 2020 - G2A - 17	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:28:33 PM	
Election: 2020 General Election		
Covers: 9/5/2020-9/11/2020	Amended 🗹 Waiver	
Due: 9/18/2020		
Filed: 9/24/2020 12:53:38 PM	File Status: Filed Report	
Reviewed: 9/24/2020	Review Status: Reviewed	
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Pending Queued Items: 0	Fund Transfers: 0	
	Distributions: 0	



October 19, 2020

Eric Davis, Treasurer Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, FL 33569-3569

Dear Mr. Davis:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of September 18, 2020, was not filed until September 24, 2020. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

However, to avoid potential issues in the future, please note that state law (s. 106.07(7), Fla. Stat.) requires you to file by the dates set out also in law, either a campaign finance report or if applicable, a notification that no reportable activity occurred for the reporting period. Failure to do may constitute a violation of sections 106.07(1) and 106.19(1)(c), Fla. Stat. The Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of any apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat., or any failure to file a report or information required by chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If a matter is referred to the Florida Elections Commission may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

cc: Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson

PAC 75268

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Fund Transfers: 0 Distributions: 0



October 19, 2020

Eric Davis, Treasurer Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, FL 33569-3569

PAC 75268

Dear Mr. Davis:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of October 2, 2020, was not filed until October 16, 2020. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

However, to avoid potential issues in the future, please note that state law (s. 106.07(7), Fla. Stat.) requires you to file by the dates set out also in law, either a campaign finance report or if applicable, a notification that no reportable activity occurred for the reporting period. Failure to do may constitute a violation of sections 106.07(1) and 106.19(1)(c), Fla. Stat. The Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of any apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat., or any failure to file a report or information required by chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If a matter is referred to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation.

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Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

cc: Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson

ID: 75268 Name: Coalition for	or a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - G4 - 20 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:29:13 PM
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October 12, 2020

Eric Davis, Treasurer Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, FL 33569-3569

PAC 75268

Dear Mr. Davis:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of October 9, 2020, was not filed until October 11, 2020. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

However, to avoid potential issues in the future, please note that state law (s. 106.07(7), Fla. Stat.) requires you to file by the dates set out also in law, either a campaign finance report or if applicable, a notification that no reportable activity occurred for the reporting period. Failure to do may constitute a violation of sections 106.07(1) and 106.19(1)(c), Fla. Stat. The Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of any apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat., or any failure to file a report or information required by chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If a matter is referred to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

cc: Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson

D: 75268 Name: Coalition fo	r a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - D1 - 23 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:29:38 PM
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Filed: 10/25/2020 11:21:54 PM	File Status: Filed Report
Reviewed: 10/25/2020	Review Status: Reviewed
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File Method: Web Filed	Number of Detail Records
Entry Method: Web Data Entry	Contributions: 0
	Expenditures: 0
Pending Queued Items: 0	Fund Transfers: 0
	Distributions: 0
To Print Report: Right Click M	ouse and Select 'Print'



October 27, 2020

Eric Davis, Treasurer Coalition for a Competitive Florida 11504 Bay Gardens Loop Riverview, FL 33569-3569

PAC 75268

Dear Mr. Davis:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of October 24, 2020, was not filed until October 25, 2020. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

However, to avoid potential issues in the future, please note that state law (s. 106.07(7), Fla. Stat.) requires you to file by the dates set out also in law, either a campaign finance report or if applicable, a notification that no reportable activity occurred for the reporting period. Failure to do may constitute a violation of sections 106.07(1) and 106.19(1)(c), Fla. Stat. The Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of any apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat., or any failure to file a report or information required by chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If a matter is referred to the Florida Elections Commission may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation.

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Sincerely, Krist-Price Willis

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

cc: Kriztofer Cole, Chairperson

ID: 75268 Name: Coalition for	or a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - D2 - 24 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:29:59 PM
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Entry Method: Web Data Entry	Contributions: 0
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ID: 75268 Name: Coalition for	or a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - D3 - 25 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:30:18 PM
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D: 75268 Name: Coalition f	for a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - D4 - 26 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:30:39 PM
Covers: 10/26/2020-10/26/2020 Due: 10/27/2020	Amended Waiver
Filed: 11/8/2020 6:55:25 PM	File Status: Filed Report
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ID: 75268 Name: Coalition f	or a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - D6 - 28 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:31:13 PM
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Filed: 11/8/2020 6:56:51 PM	File Status: Filed Report
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ID: 75268 Name: Coalition f	for a Competitive Florida
Report: 2020 - G6 - 29 Election: 2020 General Election	Print Date: 2/8/2021 3:31:34 PM
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Filed: 11/8/2020 6:57:28 PM	File Status: Filed Report
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