

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: George O. Navarini

Case No.: FEC 21-062

TO: George O. Navarini
510 NW 199th Avenue, Apt. 5624
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-3348

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

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STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Florida Elections Commission,
Petitioner,

Case No.: FEC 21-062

v.

George O. Navarini,
Respondent.

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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 violation(s):

Count 1:

On or around December 10, 2020, George O. Navarini violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when he deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the 2020 M11 campaign treasurer's report.

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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 January 24, 2023.



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

Copies furnished to:
Stephanie Cunningham, General Counsel
George O. Navarini, Respondent
Division of Elections, Complainant

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

As the Respondent, you may elect to resolve this case in several ways. First, you may elect to resolve this case by consent order where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violation(s) and agree to the amount of the fine. The consent order is then presented to the Commission for its approval. To discuss a consent order, contact the FEC attorney identified in the Order of Probable Cause.

Second, you may request an informal hearing held before the Commission, if you do not dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to make written or oral arguments to the Commission concerning the legal issues related to the violation(s) and the potential fine. At the request of Respondent, the Commission will consider and determine willfulness at an informal hearing. Otherwise, live witness testimony is unnecessary.

Third, you may request a formal hearing held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence

relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you.

If you do not elect to resolve the case by consent order or request a formal hearing at the DOAH or an informal hearing before the Commission within 30 days of the date this Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission, the case will be sent to the Commission for a formal or informal hearing, depending on whether the facts are in dispute. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order.

To request a hearing, please send a written request to the Commission Clerk, Donna Ann Malphurs. The address of the Commission Clerk is 107 W. Gaines Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050. The telephone number is (850) 922-4539. The Clerk will provide you with a copy of Chapter 28-106, *Florida Administrative Code*, and other applicable rules upon request. No mediation is available.

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Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-3348

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/j/86542842462?pwd=VjdKeGRjcFAvZko2Y1pTZmo1cU5pdz09>

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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Division of Elections
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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.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
December 13, 2022

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NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

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Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
November 30, 2022

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Case No.: FEC 21-062

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 106.19(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 September 12, 2022, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On February 1, 2021, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections (“Division”), alleging that George O. Navarini (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent is a 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 103. (ROI, page 1, ¶1)¹ Respondent initially filed to run for District 104; however, after the referral was filed, Respondent filed for redesignation to District 103 due to redistricting. (ROI, page 1, n.1)

3. By letter dated April 12, 2021, 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 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 104, 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 2020 M11 Reporting period.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 104, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in his 2020 M11 campaign treasurer’s report, as required by Chapter 106.

4. On November 30, 2020, Respondent filed an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form (“DS-DE 9”) appointing himself as treasurer for his campaign. (ROI Exhibit 2)

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

5. By letter dated November 30, 2020, Kristi Reid Willis, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, sent Respondent a letter acknowledging that the Division had receive his DS-DE 9 and that his name was placed on the 2022 active candidate list. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 1)

6. The acknowledgement letter advised Respondent that all candidates who file reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system (“EFS”) and provided Respondent with a user identification number and initial password to grant access to the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 1)

7. The acknowledgement letter further advised Respondent that each of the Division’s publications and reporting forms were available on its website and directed Respondent to print out the Calendar of Reporting Dates as well as other relevant documents. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 2)

8. Respondent’s 2020 M11 report was due on December 10, 2020; however, Respondent made no filing.

9. The Division sent multiple letters notifying Respondent that neither a campaign finance 2020 M11 report nor a corresponding waiver had been filed. (ROI Exhibits 5 & 6) A Final Notice letter was certified as delivered to the post office on January 15, 2021; the Final Notice letter was, however, ultimately returned to the Division undelivered. *Id.*

10. A subpoena was issued to Respondent’s designated campaign depository to ascertain whether any financial activity occurred during the relevant reporting period, November 1, 2020 – November 30, 2020.

11. The only activity during the 2020 M11 reporting period was the deposit of \$25.00 to open the account. (ROI Exhibit 8, page 1)

12. Commission Staff successfully reached Respondent by phone on December 21, 2021. Respondent asked for and was emailed a copy of the referral. Respondent was later emailed the Letter of Legal Sufficiency as well. (ROI Exhibit 10, page 1)

13. Respondent explained he had “no activity until summer” of 2021, and that once the Division notified him of the issue, he filed the appropriate waiver. He stated the mistake was on his part. Respondent ultimately filed a waiver on June 22, 2021—194 days late. (ROI, page 2, ¶10, n.5; ROI Exhibit 10, page 3)

14. “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).


15. The facts set forth above show that Respondent is a 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 104. Given the financial activity of depositing \$25.00 to open an account, Respondent deliberately failed to include information in his 2020 M11 report in violation of Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes. It does not appear that Respondent was required to file a waiver for the 2020 M11 reporting period.

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:

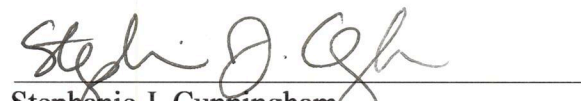
Count 1:

On or around December 10, 2020, George O. Navarini violated **Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes**, when he deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, on the 2020 M11 campaign treasurer's report.

Respectfully submitted on October 6, 2022.


Todd Smith-Schoenwalder, J.D.

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 6th day of October 2022.


Stephanie J. Cunningham
General Counsel

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Sections 106.07(7) and 106.19(1)(c), F.S.

Case Number: FEC 21-062

Sections 106.07(7) and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate or political committee that did not receive any contributions or make any expenditures during a reporting period to notify timely the filing officer, in writing, that no report is being filed or failure to file a campaign report to reflect financial activity.

Respondent: George O. Navarini

Respondent's Atty: N/A

Division of Elections (Division)

Referral Filed: February 1, 2021

Respondent Type: Candidate

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent is a 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 103.¹
2. An Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 9) was filed on November 30, 2020. Respondent was appointed as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 9, refer to Exhibit 2.
3. Respondent filed a Statement of Candidate with the Division on November 30, 2020, in which Respondent certified he had been provided access to read and understand Chapter 106, F.S. To review the Statement of Candidate, refer to Exhibit 3.²
4. An acknowledgement letter was mailed to the address provided on the DS-DE 9 on November 30, 2020, advising Respondent that all candidates 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 *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer 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 Division sent correspondence to the address provided on the DS-DE 9 notifying Respondent that the following campaign report, or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, had not been filed: 2020 M11. The letters included reference to the filing date for the report. To review the failure to file correspondence, refer to Exhibit 5.³

¹ Respondent initially filed to run for District 104, but after the referral was filed, Respondent filed for redesignation to District 103 due to redistricting. To review the redesignation documentation, refer to Exhibit 1.

² The first Statement of Candidate was marked incomplete, but Respondent filed a second Statement of Candidate on June 15, 2022, noting redesignation to District 103.

³ The second letter was returned to the Division undelivered.

7. On January 13, 2021, the Division sent a letter marked “Final Notice” with delivery confirmation to the address provided on the DS-DE 9 notifying Respondent that the following campaign report, or the required notification that no reportable activity occurred, had not been filed: 2020 M11. The letter was confirmed delivered on January 15, 2021; though it was confirmed delivered to the post office, the “Final Notice” was ultimately returned to the Division undelivered. To review the letter marked “Final Notice” and delivery confirmation, refer to Exhibit 6.

II. Alleged Violation of Sections 106.07(7), and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

8. I investigated whether Respondent violated these sections of the election laws either by not notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no report would be filed due to not receiving any contributions or making expenditures during the following reporting period or by not filing a campaign report to reflect financial activity for the reporting period. To review the filing history, refer to Exhibit 7.

Report	Report Cover Period	Due Date	Report or Waiver Required	Exhibit 8 ⁴
2020 M11	11/01/2020 – 11/30/2020	12/10/2020	Report ⁵	8

9. Respondent did not respond to the referral, but in an email dated January 14, 2022, Respondent stated, “Report Filed, no apparent issues.” In an email dated January 26, 2022, Respondent stated that although his campaign started on November 30, 2020, he did not actively start campaigning or receive any contributions until June 2021. Respondent stated that a waiver of the 2020 M11 report was submitted as soon as he was made aware he was in the system. To review the emails, refer to Exhibit 9.

10. On January 18, 2022, I called Respondent for the purpose of providing an opportunity to discuss the allegations made in the referral. When asked about the failure to timely file the report at issue, Respondent stated, “I filed immediately after 2020 election. No activity until summer, until the Division notified me. When the Division notified me, I jumped on it.” Respondent acknowledged that he possessed and had read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*. Respondent acknowledged responsibility for the issue but stated that there was no malicious intent and that this amounted to harmless error. To review the phone log, refer to Exhibit 10.

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR:  **Date:** September 12, 2022

⁴ I subpoenaed campaign account records from the designated campaign depository. The only activity during the 2020 M11 reporting period was the deposit of \$25.00 to open the account.

⁵ Respondent filed a waiver of the 2020 M11 report on June 22, 2021, which was 194 days late.

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
George Navarini -- FEC 21-062

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State Representative - District 104 - Republican

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TALLAHASSEE, FL

14 March 2022

Florida Department of State
Division of Elections
Room 316, R. A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

Via electronic mail
DivElections@dos.myflorida.com
ElecRecords@dos.myflorida.com

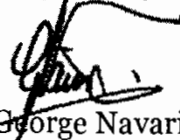
To the Attention of the Director, Division of Elections

Good afternoon, Director:

Based on the redistricting of the Florida Legislature, please accept this letter as my request and your authorization to change my records to indicate that I wish to run for the **103d** District of the **Florida House of Representatives** in the 8 November 2022 election.

Additionally, I request that the Division please confirm receipt of this request and that said request was carried out.

Respectfully Submitted,



George Navarini, MA, CEM. MPCP
Candidate for the 103rd District,
Florida House of Representatives

NAVARINI FOR FLORIDA - 2022
CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS
POST OFFICE BOX 297192, PEMBROKE PINES, FL 33029-7192
GEORGE@NAVARINIFORFLORIDA.COM



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT of STATE

RON DESANTIS
Governor

LAUREL M. LEE
Secretary of State

April 26, 2022

George O. Navarini
Candidate for State Representative (79065)
Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, Florida 33029

Dear Mr. Navarini:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository informing us that you are changing the designation of office for which you are a candidate from State Representative, District 104 to State Representative, District 103. The active candidate list has been updated to reflect this change. It is our understanding that the change in numerical designation resulted solely from redistricting, therefore, the change will not affect your ability to retain campaign contributions received for the former district number for which you had filed. As such, you are not required to notify contributors of the change in district number. See Section 106.021(1)(a), Florida Statutes.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further assistance, please call (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna S. Brown".

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

DSB/jqb

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

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

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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)

George O. Navarini

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

Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-7192

4. Telephone

(954) 600-3843

5. E-mail address

George@NavariniforFlorida.com

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

Florida State Representative, District 104

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 Republican Party candidate.

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

10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

George Navarini

11. Mailing Address

Post Office Box 297192

12. Telephone

(954) 600-3843

13. City

Pembroke Pines

14. County

Broward

15. State

FL

16. Zip Code

33029

17. E-mail address

GONavarini@gmail.com

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

19. Name of Bank

J P Morgan-Chase Bank

20. Address

150 North West 180th Avenue

21. City

Pembroke Pines

22. County

Broward

23. State

Florida

24. Zip Code

33029-5700

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 November 2020

26. Signature of Candidate



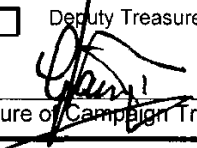
27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block)

I, George Navarini, do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer.

4 November 2020

Date


Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE**

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

(Please print or type)

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INCOMPLETE

I, George Navarini

candidate for the office of Florida State Representative, District 104 ;

have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of
Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

X



Signature of Candidate

4 November 2022

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).

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STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

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TALLAHASSEE FL


I, GEORGE NAVARINI,

candidate for the office of State Representative for the 103rd District ;

have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of

Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

X



Signature of Candidate

10 June 2022

Date

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Secretary of State

November 30, 2020

George O. Navarini
Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, Florida 33029-7192

Dear Mr. Navarini:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for the office of State Representative, along with your Candidate Oath Form, which was placed on file in our office on November 30, 2020. Your name has been placed on the 2022 active candidate list. **However, a new Candidate Oath Form must be filed during the qualifying period along with other qualifying documents. Furthermore, the enclosed Statement of Candidate must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer form.**

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **December 10, 2020**. The report will cover the period of November 1-30, 2020 (2020 M11). 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. Enclosed are your confidential, filing credentials.

EFS Website Address: <https://efs.dos.state.fl.us>
Identification Number: 79065

Timely Filing

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

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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 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 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 <https://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/dlh

Enclosures



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Laurel M. Lee
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

December 11, 2020

George O. Navarini
Candidate for State Representative, District 104
Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-7192

CAN 79065

Dear Mr. Navarini:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was December 10, 2020.

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

- If reportable activity occurred and you have not filed a report, statutory fines are automatically assessed as follows until you file your report:

\$50 per day for the first 3 days late

\$500 per day for each day after the 3rd day late

If the required report immediately precedes a primary and general election, the automatic fine is \$500 for each late day.

The total fine for the untimely report cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the cover period. Even if you end up filing your report late, we cannot waive the statutory fines. We will notify you of the specific amount of fines owed once you file your report. You have 20 days from the day you receive the notice to pay the fine or to appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission.

- If no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to notify us in writing, via the Division's Electronic Filing System, that no reportable activity occurred. No automatic fines are statutorily assessed.

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

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

December 22, 2020

George O. Navarini
Candidate for State Representative, District 104
Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-7192

CAN 79065

Dear Mr. Navarini:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was December 10, 2020.

We mailed, via regular mail, the first notice of the failure to file the above-mentioned report or notification to the address on file with our office on December 11, 2020.

The first notice which we provided to you specifically explained the automatic fine provisions in the law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) for failure to file a required report. Such fines are continuing to accrue for a late-filed report. Also, that notice explained that if no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to provide notification in writing that no reportable activity occurred. Our initial notice further indicated that, in all cases, failure to file and/or untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records



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Candidate for State Representative
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January 13, 2021

George O. Navarini
Candidate for State Representative, District 104
Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-7192

CAN 79065

Dear Mr. Navarini:

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

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2020	M11	11/1/20 - 11/30/20

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
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Candidate/Committee Lookup

Candidate Name: George Navarini

Name:

Account: [79065](#)

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
9/2/2022	G1	9/2/2022						
8/19/2022	P7	8/20/2022	SNT	1	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00
8/12/2022	P6	8/12/2022						
8/5/2022	P5	8/12/2022	CLO	7	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7/29/2022	P4	7/29/2022						
7/22/2022	P3	7/29/2022	CLO	7	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7/8/2022	P2	7/8/2022						
6/24/2022	P1	6/24/2022						
6/10/2022	M5	6/9/2022						
5/10/2022	M4	5/10/2022						
4/11/2022	M3	4/9/2022						
3/10/2022	M2	3/1/2022						
2/10/2022	M1	2/10/2022						
1/10/2022	M12	1/10/2022						
12/10/2021	M11	12/13/2021	CLO	3	\$48.81		\$48.81	\$48.81
11/10/2021	M10	11/4/2021						
10/12/2021	M9	10/7/2021						
9/10/2021	M8	9/10/2021						
8/10/2021	M7	8/2/2021						
7/12/2021	M6	7/12/2021						
6/10/2021	M5	6/22/2021	CLO	12	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5/10/2021	M4	6/22/2021	CLO	43	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
4/12/2021	M3	6/22/2021	CLO	71	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
3/10/2021	M2	6/22/2021	CLO	104	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
2/10/2021	M1	6/22/2021	CLO	132	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
1/11/2021	M12	6/22/2021	CLO	162	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
12/10/2020	M11	6/22/2021	CLO	194	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00



JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
 P O Box 182051
 Columbus, OH 43218 - 2051

November 05, 2020 through November 13, 2020

Account Number:

CUSTOMER SERVICE INFORMATION

Web site: **Chase.com**
 Service Center: **1-800-935-9935**
 Deaf and Hard of Hearing: **1-800-242-7383**
 Para Espanol: **1-877-312-4273**
 International Calls: **1-713-262-1679**

GEORGE OSCAR NAVARINI
 510 NW 199TH AVE
 PEMBROKE PINES FL 33029-3348



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CHECKING SUMMARY

Chase Premier Plus Checking

	AMOUNT
Beginning Balance	\$0.00
Deposits and Additions	25.00
Ending Balance	\$25.00

Annual Percentage Yield Earned This Period 0.00%

The monthly service fee for this account was waived as an added feature of Chase Premier Plus Checking account.

Thank you for your military service and commitment to our country. Your monthly service fee was waived as a benefit of Chase Military Banking.

TRANSACTION DETAIL

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
	Beginning Balance		\$0.00
11/05	Transfer From Chk Xxxxx6759	25.00	25.00
	Ending Balance		\$25.00

IN CASE OF ERRORS OR QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS: Call us at 1-866-564-2262 or write us at the address on the front of this statement (non-personal accounts contact Customer Service) immediately if you think your statement or receipt is incorrect or if you need more information about a transfer listed on the statement or receipt.

For personal accounts only: We must hear from you no later than 60 days after we sent you the FIRST statement on which the problem or error appeared. Be prepared to give us the following information:

- Your name and account number
- The dollar amount of the suspected error
- A description of the error or transfer you are unsure of, why you believe it is an error, or why you need more information.

We will investigate your complaint and will correct any error promptly. If we take more than 10 business days (or 20 business days for new accounts) to do this, we will credit your account for the amount you think is in error so that you will have use of the money during the time it takes us to complete our investigation.

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JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
 P O Box 182051
 Columbus, OH 43218 - 2051

November 14, 2020 through December 11, 2020

Account Number:

GEORGE OSCAR NAVARINI
 510 NW 199TH AVE
 PEMBROKE PINES FL 33029-3348

CUSTOMER SERVICE INFORMATION

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 International Calls: **1-713-262-1679**



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CHECKING SUMMARY

Chase Premier Plus Checking

	AMOUNT
Beginning Balance	\$25.00
Deposits and Additions	250.00
Ending Balance	\$275.00

Annual Percentage Yield Earned This Period 0.00%

The monthly service fee for this account was waived as an added feature of Chase Premier Plus Checking account.

Thank you for your military service and commitment to our country. Your monthly service fee was waived as a benefit of Chase Military Banking.

TRANSACTION DETAIL

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
	Beginning Balance		\$25.00
12/01	ATM Check Deposit 12/01 150 Nw 180th Ave Pembroke Pine FL Card 8975	150.00	175.00
12/01	ATM Check Deposit 12/01 150 Nw 180th Ave Pembroke Pine FL Card 8975	100.00	275.00
	Ending Balance		\$275.00

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1/19/22, 9:15 AM

Mail - Charles Mellow - Outlook

Re: Florida Elections Commission

George Navarini <george@navariniflorida.com>

Fri 1/14/2022 5:46 PM

To: Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com>

Good Morning, Mr. Mellow:

Hope this note finds you well. When I called earlier today, I was told that many in your office were out, stricken with SARS-CoV-2; hope you are not among them. I'm just now getting over my own boat with this, and saying it was not fun is an understatement.

As we agreed, here is my report back to you regarding the open items pending:

Account

As per 20-436 – Referral 10-05-20

Missing 2020 P2 - FIXED – Missing address

Missing 2020 P3 - FIXED – Missing date

As per 21-040 – Referral 01-12-21

Missing 2020 G2 - FIXED - Missing date

As per 21-230 – Referral 03-10-21

Missing Termination Report – OPEN – Need assistance

Account

As pr 21-062 – Referral 02-01-21

Missing 2020 M11 - Report Filed, no apparent issues

As per 21-179 – Referral 03-05-21

Missing 2020 M12 – Report filed, no apparent issues

As per 21-289 – Referral 03-26-21

Missing 2020 M1 – Report filed, no apparent issues

This should put us nearly up to date; the only pending issue would be the termination report for the 2020 campaign. I will be in contact with the Division of Elections early Monday morning to get guidance on this report and will advise you on that conversation.

Hopefully, the process is simple and we can be done the same day, which should free you to take on the real delinquents that are gaming our electoral process. While I suspect this may be more the province of the Federal Elections Commission and the DoJ, Many of us here in South Florida are wondering why Ms. Shiela Cherfilus-McCormick's campaign is not under an electron microscope as we understand she has NEVER filed ANY financial reports on a campaign that allegedly took on nearly six million dollars.

This is a far, far cry from my miserably tiny efforts that did not even gain nine thousand dollars in donations.

I hope that we have not reached the point where a person can effectively buy a seat in Congress, with either their own money or worse, funding from unknown and undisclosed persons or interests.

Anyhow, hope with my termination report, we will be able to close out this chapter.

Be well, stay safe,

George Navarini

On Thu, Jan 6, 2022 at 2:27 PM Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com> wrote:

Mr. Navarini,

Per our phone conversation, please provide your response to the December 21, 2021, correspondence by Friday, January 14, 2022.

Thank you,

Charles Mellow - Investigator
Florida Elections Commission - Office of the Attorney General
Collins Building - Room 212
107 W. Gaines Street

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1/19/22, 9:15 AM

Mail - Charles Mellow - Outlook

Tallahassee, FL 32399
Phone: (850) 922-4539
Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com



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Re: Verification of information

George Navarini <george@navariniflorida.com>

Thu 1/27/2022 3:26 PM

To: Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com>

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image.png;

Good afternoon, Charles,

Sorry for the delay, as I just saw your response. I was a bit taken aback by your question, but then remembered you are in a different organization, and we both know that government is amazing good a siloing information.

2020 Campaign -
Account **6759**, opened 7 May 2020

2022 Campaign -
Account **1016**, opened 1 Dec 2020

Please let me know if I may be of any further assistance.

GN

On Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 8:01 AM Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com> wrote:

Good morning Mr. Navarini:

I'm sorry for not being more specific in my request. I was inquiring about your Primary Depository accounts at JP Morgan-Chase Bank.

Please provide the following:

- Last four digits of the account(s) (checking/savings) used in your 2020 campaign (75717).
- Last four digits of the account(s) (checking/savings) used in your 2022 campaign (79065) and the opening date(s).

Thank you,

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From: George Navarini <george@navariniflorida.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 4:57 PM
To: Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com>
Subject: Re: Verification of information

Hello, Charles:

Hope you all are staying warm up there in Tallahassee.

As per your request, the candidate number for the 2020 campaign was ' and for the 2022 campaign, the candidate number is

Additionally, our official start date is **30 November 2020**. Now that said, there was a bit of a mix-up as I was originally registered as a candidate of the other party, but we got that straightened out quickly.

Lastly, please note, that although we started on the 30th, a (wavier) report for November was submitted as soon as I was made aware we were in the system. We did not actively start the campaign and receive any donations until June of the following year.

Hope this answers all your proffered questions to your satisfaction. Please feel free to call or write if I may be of any further assistance.

v/r

George Navarini

On Wed, Jan 26, 2022 at 3:58 PM Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com> wrote:

1/28/22, 10:29 AM

Mail - Charles Mellow - Outlook

Good Afternoon Mr. Navarini:

To expedite my reports, please provide the following:

- Last four digits of the account(s) used in your 2020 campaign.
- Last four digits of the account(s) used in your 2022 campaign and the opening date(s).

Your prompt response is requested.

Thank you,

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 21-062

Respondent: George Navarini

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** 05/11/2021; 09:46 a.m.
Name: Marilyn J. Willis – JP Morgan Chase Bank
Phone #: (317) 757-7365 (office)
Summary: I called Ms. Willis at her request. Ms. Willis requested clarification of documentation requested in subpoena. Ms. Willis also mentioned Respondent has several accounts. Copies of the monthly bank statements, bank signature cards, deposit (checks, deposit slips, ATM deposits, wires, credit memos, etc.) in the account, and (front and back) of any and all payment instruments, including but not limited to checks, transfers, wire transfers and records of debit-card transactions drawn on the account.
Entered by: CM
2. **Date and time:** 05/11/2021; 10:15 a.m.
Name: Marilyn J. Willis – JP Morgan Chase Bank
Phone #: (317) 757-7365 (office)
Summary: Spoke with Ms. Willis. She informed me that she is unable to provide records for Respondent's 2022 campaign, since she cannot identify which account is associated with that campaign the way the subpoena is written. I told her I would try to locate information to specifically identify which account belongs to Respondent's 2022 campaign. She informed me that she will close the subpoena request after a week, but it can be reopened anytime when additional identifying information is acquired.
Entered by: CM
3. **Date and time:** 12/21/2021; 02:23 p.m.
Name: George Navarini - Respondent
Phone #: (954) 600-3843
Summary: Spoke with Respondent to go over FEC 21-062. He was eager to resolve the issue but wanted a copy of the referral so he could answer questions knowledgeably. I emailed copy of referral to GONavarini@gmail.com. He said he would look the referral over and call me back.
Entered by: CM
4. **Date and time:** 12/21/2021; 03:03 p.m.
Name: George Navarini - Respondent
Phone #: (954) 600-3843
Summary: Spoke with Respondent. Informed him I was emailing him the LS letter for FEC 21-062 to GONavarini@gmail.com. Requested that he respond to questions outlined in the Respondent Interview Memo below.
Entered by: CM

5. **Date and time:** 01/06/2022; 02:23 p.m.
Name: George Navarini - Respondent
Phone #: (954) 600-3843
Summary: Spoke with Respondent to follow-up on response to December 21, 2021, correspondence. Respondent indicated he had contracted the Omicron virus, and this was the first week he has been able to review the correspondence. Respondent stated he would have most of the response by early next week. I gave Respondent until Friday, January 14, 2022, to submit his responses. I also sent Respondent an email informing him of the deadline of January 14, 2022.
Entered by: CM
6. **Date and time:** 01/18/2022; 02:47 p.m.
Name: George Navarini - Respondent
Phone #: (954) 600-3843
Summary: I spoke with Respondent. Explained case number FEC 21-062. Respondent was very cooperative and willing to answer questions about the case, which can be reviewed in the "RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO" below.
Entered by: CM
7. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Entered by:
8. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
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Entered by:
9. **Date and time:**
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RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO – Call details at #6

- **21-062** - Please explain the reason why you failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no **2020 M11** report would be filed on that date because the campaign had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the reporting period or failure to file a campaign report to reflect financial activity. I filed immediately after 2020 election. No activity until summer, until the Division notified me. When the Division notified me, I jumped on it.
- Have you ever run for public office? **No**. 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? **No**. 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? **No**. 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? **No**. 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? **I believe I do**. If so, when did you first obtain it? **When I first filed in 2020**. Have you read it? **Yes**.
- Do you possess a copy of the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*? **Yes**. If so, when did you first obtain it? **When I first filed in 2020**. Have you read it? **Yes**.
- 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 letters of legal sufficiency in these cases? **My fault. I screwed up. This was not done with any malintent. Harmless error. No malicious intent.**



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April 12, 2021

George O. Navarini
510 NW 199th Ave, Apt 5624
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-3348

RE: Case No.: FEC 21-062; Respondent: George O. Navarini

Dear Ms. Navarini:

On February 1, 2021, 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 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 104, 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 2020 M11 Reporting period.

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a 2022 candidate for State Representative, District 104, may have falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information in his 2020 M11 campaign treasurer's 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 prepare and present a written Staff Recommendation (SR) to the Commission as to whether there is probable cause to charge you, the Respondent, with violating Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will have an opportunity to respond to both the ROI and the SR. The Commission will then hold one or more hearings to determine whether the alleged violations occurred and, if so, the amount of the fine to be imposed upon you. Notice will be mailed to you and the Complainant at least 14 days before any hearing at which your case is to be considered.

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(i)3., Florida Statutes, the Commission may enter into a consent agreement with a Respondent to settle a complaint prior to a finding of probable cause. If you are interested in entering negotiations directed towards reaching a consent agreement to resolve this matter, please contact the Commission and request to speak with the attorney assigned to this case.

George O. Navarini
April 12, 2021
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Please note that all documents related to this matter will be mailed to the above address unless you notify us of a new address.

Pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, 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, unless the Respondent files a written waiver of confidentiality with the Commission. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the Complainant or the Respondent.

Should you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the commission staff can discuss this case with him or her.

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

If you have additional questions, please contact **Charles Mellow**, the investigator assigned to this case, by phone at (850) 922-4539 or by email at Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tim Vaccaro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC NOTICE FORM

To FEC from Division of Elections

Candidate: George O. Navarini
Account Number: 79065
Treasurer: George Navarini

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, Florida Statutes, has occurred based upon the candidate's alleged failure to file a report after notice or failure to file a notification to the filing officer in writing that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date as required by section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

The following report is outstanding after notification: 2020 M11

- George O. Navarini (79065) is a 2022 candidate for the office of State Representative.
- On November 30, 2020, Mr. Navarini filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository with the Division.
- The 2020 M11 campaign treasurer's report was due on December 10, 2020. On December 11, 2020, the Division mailed Mr. Navarini notification that the 2020 M11 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
- On December 22, 2020, the Division mailed Mr. Navarini notification that the 2020 M11 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
- On January 13, 2021, the Division mailed Mr. Navarini final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2020 M11 report had not been filed. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)
- Mr. Navarini did not notify the Division of Elections prior to or on the prescribed reporting date for the 2020 M11 report that no report was to be filed.
- As of January 29, 2021, Mr. Navarini has not filed the 2020 M11 report.

Sent By: w/Kristi Reid Willis *DRB*
Date: *0* January 29, 2021
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Laurel M. Lee
Secretary of State
DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Final Notice

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January 13, 2021

George O. Navarini
Candidate for State Representative, District 104
Post Office Box 297192
Pembroke Pines, FL 33029-7192

CAN 79065

Dear Mr. Navarini:

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

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Cover Period</u>
2020	M11	11/1/20 - 11/30/20

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

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