

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Better Future For Our Children

Case No.: FEC 21-182

TO: LaVencia Aalls, Chair
11360 SW 23rd Street
Miami, FL 33170

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 21-182

v.

Better Future For Our Children,
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 3, 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:

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
FEB 23 2023

Count 1:

On or about January 11, 2021, Better Future For Our Children 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 M12 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
Better Future For Our Children, Respondent
Division of Elections, Complainant

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

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

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

Third, you may request a formal hearing held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (“DOAH”), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have thirty (30) days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed 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.

To request a hearing, please send a written request to the Commission Clerk, Donna Ann Malphurs. The address of the Commission Clerk is 107 West 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.

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Better Future For Our Children

Case No.: FEC 21-182

TO: LaVencia Alls, Chair
25931 S. Dixie Highway, Unit 611
Homestead, FL 33032-5567

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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In Re: Better Future For Our Children

Case No.: FEC 21-182

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LaVencia Alls, Chair
25931 S. Dixie Highway, Unit 611
Homestead, FL 33032-5567

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.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
December 13, 2022

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-6596

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 21-182

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

1. On March 5, 2021, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections (“Division”), alleging that Better Future For Our Children (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent is a political committee registered with the Division. (ROI Exhibit 2)¹

3. By letter dated August 3, 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 2020 M12 reporting period.

4. By letter dated October 19, 2020, Donna S. Brown for 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 3, 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 Respondent with a user identification number and initial password to grant access to the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 3, 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 3, page 2)

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

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 4, 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 5, pages 2 & 3)

8. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed for the following reporting period, as set forth in the table below. (ROI Exhibit 6, page 1)

Report	Report Cover Period	Date Notification Due	Date Notification Filed	No. of Days Late
2020 M12	12/1/20 – 12/31/20	1/11/21	3/9/21	57

9. LaVencia Alls, chairperson for Respondent, did not respond to the investigation. (ROI Exhibit 7)

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 is a political committee registered with the Division. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed for the 2020 M12 reporting period.

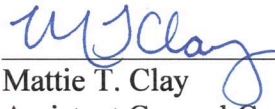
Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find probable cause to charge Respondent with violating the following:

Count 1:

On or about January 11, 2021, Better Future For Our Children violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify

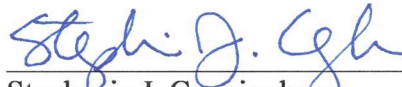
the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2020 M12 Report.

Respectfully submitted on October 3, 2022.



Mattie T. Clay
Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 31st day of October 2022.



Stephanie J. Cunningham
General Counsel

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Failure to Notify Filing Officer

Case Number: FEC 21-182

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: Better Future For Our Children
Respondent's Atty: N/A

Division of Elections (Division)
Referral Filed: March 5, 2021

Respondent Type: Political Committee

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent is a political committee registered with the Division.

2. An Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 6) was filed on October 1, 2020. LaVencia Alls was appointed as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 6, refer to Exhibit 1.¹

3. A Statement of Organization (DS-DE 5) for the political committee was filed with the Division on October 16, 2020. The DS-DE 5 noted that Ms. Alls was also Respondent's Chairperson; Division records indicate Ms. Alls is still Chairperson as of the date of this report. To review the Statement of Organization, refer to Exhibit 2.

4. An acknowledgement letter was mailed to the address provided on the DS-DE 6 on October 19, 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 3.

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 4.

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 5.

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¹ Another form was subsequently filed appointing a new treasurer, but it was not filed until after the events at issue.

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 would be filed due to not receiving any contributions or making expenditures during the following reporting period. To review Respondent's filing history reflecting the untimely filed notification summarized below, refer to Exhibit 6.

Report	Report Cover Period	Date Notification Due	Date Notification Filed	No. of Days Late
2020 M12	12/1 – 12/31/2020	1/11/2021	3/9/2021	57

9. Respondent did not respond to the referral.

10. I attempted to contact Respondent's Chairperson on three occasions for the purpose of providing an opportunity to discuss the allegations made in the referral. As of the date of this report, neither my telephone calls nor email have been returned. Therefore, I am unable to ascertain whether she has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and/or the *Political Committee Handbook*. To review the phone log and email, refer to Exhibit 7.

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR: _____



Date: September 12, 2022

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Better Future for Our Children -- FEC 21-182

LIST OF EXHIBITS	
Exhibits #s	Description of Exhibits
Exhibit 1	Appointment of Political Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees (DS-DE 6)
Exhibit 2	Statement of Organization (DS-DE 5)
Exhibit 3	Acknowledgement Letter
Exhibit 4	Political Committee Handbook
Exhibit 5	Electronic Filing System
Exhibit 6	Filing History
Exhibit 7	Phone Log and Email

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

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OFFICE USE ONLY

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

Initial Filing for: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

Re-filing to Change: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer Primary/Secondary Depository

1. Committee Better Future For Our Children	2. Telephone (786) 728-5900
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3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer LaVencia Ails	4. Email (optional) ms.ails0903@gmail.com	5. Telephone (optional) (305) 720-1339
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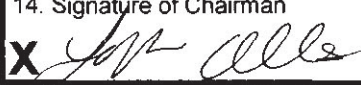
6. Mailing Address
25931 S. Dixie Hwy. Unit 611 Homestead , Fl. 33032

7. Street Address
35250 SW 177 Ct. Unit 16 Homestead, Fl. 33034

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

9. Name of Bank BB&T	10. Street Address 3055 NE 8TH STREET
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11. City HOMESTEAD	12. State Florida	13. Zip Code 33033
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14. Signature of Chairman X 	15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type) LaVencia Ails
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Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

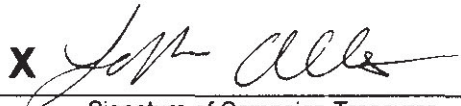
LaVencia Ails

I, _____, do hereby accept the appointment as
(Please Print or Type)
treasurer or deputy treasurer for **Better Future For Our Children**
(Committee)

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

09/11/2020

Date

X 

Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

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

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

Initial Filing for: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

Re-filing to Change: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer Primary/Secondary Depository

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. Committee
Better Future For Our Children

2. Telephone
(786) 728-5900

3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer
Ricardo Junquera

4. Email (optional)
rickyjunquera@gmail.com

5. Telephone (optional)
(617) 599-7048

6. Mailing Address
698 NE 1st Ave., Apt. 1406, Miami, FL 33132

7. Street Address
698 NE 1st Ave., Apt. 1406, Miami, FL 33132

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

9. Name of Bank
~~Bank~~ Suntrust

10. Street Address
3055 NE 8th St.

11. City
Homestead

12. State
FL

13. Zip Code
33033

14. Signature of Chairman
X *[Signature]*

15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type)
LaVencia Aills

Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

I, **Ricardo Junquera**, do hereby accept the appointment as
(Please Print or Type)

treasurer or deputy treasurer for **Better Future For Our Children**
(Committee)

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

7/27/2021
Date

X *[Signature]*
Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE

(PLEASE TYPE)

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FLORIDA
DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

1. Full Name of Committee

Better Future For Our Children

Telephone

(786)728-5900

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code)

25931 S. Dixie Hwy. Unit 611 Homestead, Fl. 33032

Street Address (include city, state and zip code)

35250 SW 177 Ct. Homestead, Fl. 33034

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

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

3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee

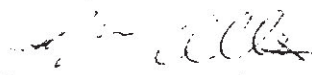
Legislative Candidate

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

Political

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

Full Name	Mailing Address	Committee Title or Position
LaVencia Alls	25931 S. Dixie Hwy. Unit 611 Homestead, Fl. 33032	Treasurer

6. List by Name, Address and Position, Other Principal Officers, Including Officers and Members of the Finance Committee, If Any (include chairman's name)			
Full Name	Mailing Address	Committee Title or Position	
LaVencia Alls	25931 S. Dixie Hwy. Unit 611 Homestead , Fl. 33032	Chair Person	
7. List by Name, Address, Office Sought and Party Affiliation Each Candidate or Other Individual that this Committee is Supporting (if none, please indicate)			
Full Name	Mailing Address	Office Sought	Party
Kevin Dykemia Chambliss	35250 SW 177 Ct. Homestead, Fl. 33034	House District 117	Democrat
8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: None			
List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing: None			
9. If this Committee is Supporting the Entire Ticket of a Party, Give Name of Party			
None			
10. In the Event of Dissolution, What Disposition will be Made of Residual Funds?			
Donate to 501C3			
11. List all Banks, Safety Deposit Boxes, or Other Depositories Used for Committee Funds			
Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number		Mailing Address	
BB&T		3055 NE 8TH STREET HOMESTEAD, FL 33033	
12. List all Reports Required to be Filed by this Committee with Federal Officials and the Names, Addresses and Positions of Such Officials, If Any			
Report Title	Dates Required to be Filed	Name & Position of Official	Mailing Address
None			
STATE OF <u>Florida</u>		<u>Miami-Dade</u> COUNTY	
I, <u>LaVencia Alls</u> , certify that the information in this Statement of			
Organization is complete, true and correct.			
X 		<u>09/11/2020</u>	
Signature of Chairman of Political Committee		Date	



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

RON DESANTIS

Governor

LAUREL M. LEE

Secretary of State

October 19, 2020

LaVencia Alls, Chairperson
Better Future For Our Children
25931 South Dixie Highway, Unit 611
Homestead, Florida 33032

Dear Ms. Alls:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Better Future For Our Children**, which were placed on file in our office on October 16, 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 **October 23, 2020**. The report will cover the period of October 10-16, 2020 (2020 G5). 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: 79006

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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LaVencia Alls, Chairperson
October 19, 2020
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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, 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 <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: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, *Political Committee Handbook*, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



 Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/dlh

Enclosures

Political Committee Handbook



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Division of Elections
R. A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250
850.245.6280

(Rev. 9/27/2019)

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 [106.0705](#), 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 [Electronic Filing System \(EFS\)](#) are due no later than midnight, Eastern Time, of the due date.

*(Sections [106.07](#), [106.0705](#), and [106.141](#), Fla. Stat.;
[Chapter 11: Electronic Filing of Campaign Reports](#))*

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 period covered by the late report.

(Section [106.07\(8\)](#), 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 [EFS](#).) 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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Political Committee EFS User's Guide



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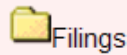
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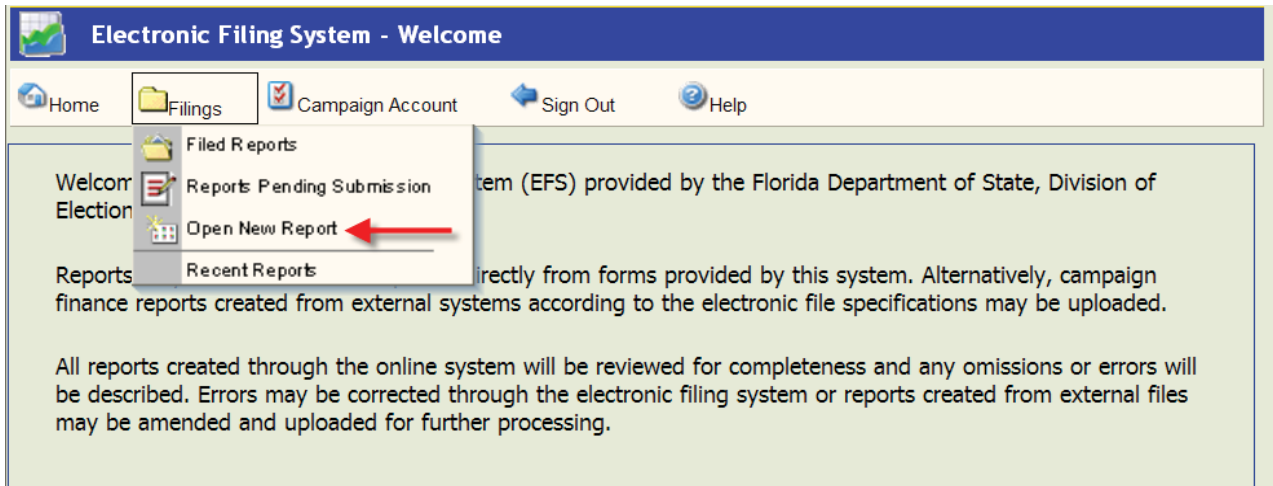
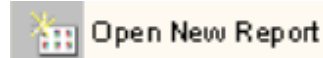
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Create a New Report by Data Entry

From the Welcome screen, click



and then



Use this form to submit an original report. To submit an amendment to a previously filed report, first select the report from the 'Filed Reports' listing and then choose the 'Amend Report' option from the 'Edit' menu item.

Coverage Periods
Campaign finance reports itemize financial activity occurring during a specific reporting period. The reporting period is declared by first selecting the reporting year and then the report type. The beginning and ending coverage dates and the filing due date of the report are automatically associated with the *Reporting Year* and *Report Type*.


Election Cycle:


Report Type:

Coverage Period: Due Date:

Special Election Report Waiver

Uploading a Campaign Finance Report
A Campaign Finance report file meeting the department's specifications may be uploaded at the time a report is opened. Use the Browse button to locate and select the report text or zip file to be uploaded. You may upload the report file in a compressed zip. The zip file must contain only one report file.

Click  arrow next to **Election Cycle**. Scroll to the cycle associated with the report you are entering.

Click  arrow next to **Report Type** select report type corresponding to the correct cover period and due date.

The **Cover Period** dates will automatically fill in based on the **Calendar of Election and Reporting Dates**.

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**.

Election Cycle: 2010 General Election
Report Type: F2 2010
Coverage Period: 7/17/2010 7/30/2010 Due Date: 08/06/2010
 Special Election Report Waiver

Click at the bottom of the screen. A **Report Detail** screen (view only) will appear. This screen will not indicate any activity until individual detail data is entered, saved and a review is performed.

Report: 2010 - G4 - 27 2010 General Election Covers: 10/16/2010-10/28/2010 Due: 10/29/2010
 Amendment Waiver Complete Status: Incomplete Detail Records
File Date: Review Status: Not Reviewed
Status: Data Entry Last Review:
of Transactions: 0

Contributions	Total Amount	Expenditures	Total Amount
Cash and Checks:	0.00	Monetary:	0.00
Loans:	0.00	Transfers to Off Acct:	0.00
Total Monetary:	0.00	Total Monetary:	0.00
In-Kind:	0.00	Other Distributions:	0.00

Review Messages

Created: 10/26/2010 11:41:25 AM By: 50552 Revised: 10/26/2010 11:41:25 AM By: 50552

File the Report

If the **Review Status** is Updated Detail – Needs Review the report has not been reviewed since the last update. (See page 39 for instructions on how to submit the report to the system for review.)

If the status of the report is Complete Detail Records, you are ready to file the report.

Report: 2010 - F3 - 26 2010 General Election Covers: 8/7/2010-8/19/2010 Due: 8/20/2010

Amendment Waiver Complete Status: Complete Detail Records

File Date: Review Status: Reviewed

Status: Data Entry Last Review: 8/19/2010 3:56:42 PM

of Transactions: 1

Contributions		Total Amount	Expenditures		Total Amount
Cash and Checks:	<input type="text"/>	0.00	Monetary:	<input type="text"/>	51.00
Loans:	<input type="text"/>	0.00	Transfers to Off Acct:	<input type="text"/>	0.00
Total Monetary:	<input type="text"/>	0.00	Total Monetary:	<input type="text"/>	51.00
In-Kind:	<input type="text"/>	0.00	Other Distributions:	<input type="text"/>	0.00

Review Messages:

Created: 8/19/2010 2:01:35 PM By: 50552 Revised: 8/19/2010 3:56:42 PM By: 50552

Click on .

The **chairperson** enters his or her **PIN**, and then selects .

NOTE: A PIN is the same as your signature attesting to the validity of the report.

Step 1: Enter the candidate/chairperson PIN.

Step 2: Select the 'Report Approved' button.

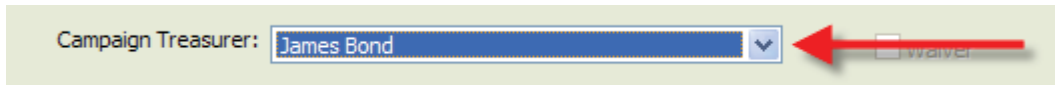
Report: 2010 - F3 - 26 Coverage Period: 8/7/2010-8/19/2010 Due: 8/20/2010

Review Status: Original Amended

Waiver

PIN for Candidate/Chairperson:

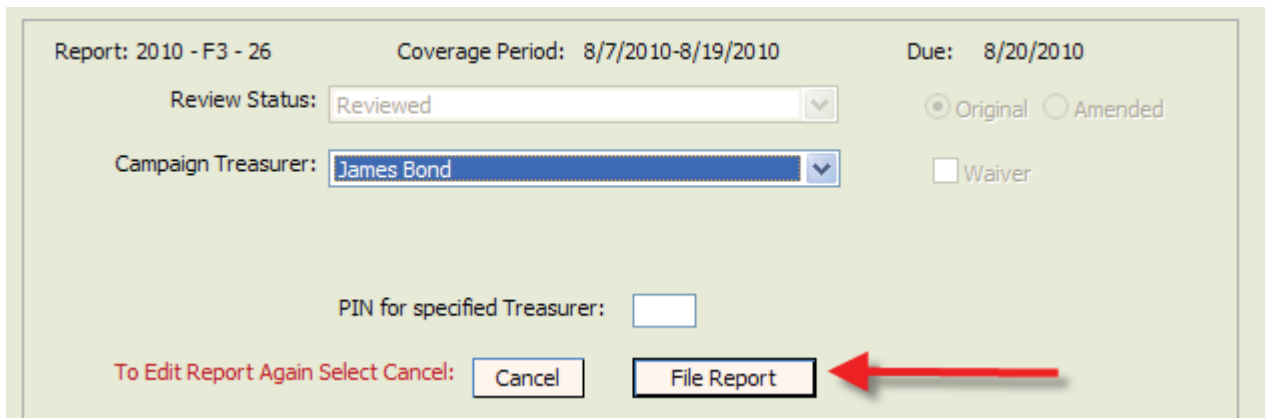
If there is more than one treasurer, click on the drop down and select the treasurer that is filing the report.



Campaign Treasurer: James Bond [v] Waiver

A red arrow points to the dropdown arrow on the right side of the 'James Bond' selection.

The treasurer enters his **PIN** and then clicks **File Report**.




Report: 2010 - F3 - 26 Coverage Period: 8/7/2010-8/19/2010 Due: 8/20/2010

Review Status: Reviewed [v] Original Amended

Campaign Treasurer: James Bond [v] Waiver

PIN for specified Treasurer: []

To Edit Report Again Select Cancel: 

IMPORTANT NOTE: If changes need to be made after a chairperson PIN is entered, the treasurer must undo the chairperson PIN validation before the system will allow changes. See page 49 for instructions.



Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Name:

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Committee Name: Better Future For Our Children

Account: 79006

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
9/16/2022	G2	9/12/2022						
9/9/2022	G1A	9/9/2022						
9/2/2022	G1	8/30/2022						
8/26/2022	P7A	8/25/2022						
8/19/2022	P7	8/19/2022						
8/12/2022	P6	8/9/2022						
8/5/2022	P5	8/3/2022						
7/29/2022	P4	7/27/2022						
7/22/2022	P3	7/18/2022						
7/15/2022	P2A	7/13/2022						
7/8/2022	P2	7/6/2022						
7/1/2022	P1A	7/1/2022						
6/24/2022	P1	6/22/2022						
6/10/2022	M5	6/6/2022						
5/10/2022	M4	5/4/2022						
4/11/2022	M3	4/5/2022						
3/10/2022	M2	3/3/2022						
2/10/2022	M1	2/10/2022						
1/10/2022	M12	1/7/2022						
12/10/2021	M11	12/10/2021						
11/10/2021	M10	11/11/2021	SNT	1	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00
10/12/2021	M9	10/10/2021						
9/10/2021	M8	9/11/2021	FEC	1	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00
8/10/2021	M7	8/9/2021						
7/12/2021	M6	7/27/2021	CLO	15	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
6/10/2021	M5	6/12/2021	CLO	2	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5/10/2021	M4	5/2/2021						
4/12/2021	M3	5/2/2021	CLO	20	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
3/10/2021	M2	5/2/2021	CLO	53	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
2/10/2021	M1	3/9/2021	CLO	27	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
1/11/2021	M12	3/9/2021	CLO	57	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
12/10/2020	M11	12/2/2020						
11/10/2020	M10	12/2/2020	FEC	22	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/30/2020	G6	12/2/2020	FEC	33	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/29/2020	D6	12/2/2020	FEC	34	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/28/2020	D5	12/2/2020	FEC	35	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/27/2020	D4	12/2/2020	FEC	36	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/26/2020	D3	12/2/2020	FEC	37	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/25/2020	D2	12/2/2020	FEC	38	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/24/2020	D1	12/2/2020	FEC	39	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
10/23/2020	G5	12/2/2020	FEC	40	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 21-182**

Respondent: Better Future for Our Children

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** December 2, 2021 @ 9:00 am
Name: Lavencia Alls – Treasurer at time of Referral and Registered Agent
Phone #: 786-728-5900
Summary: I called the number used to previously contact Respondent. Call was unsuccessful, message box was full. The other number, (305-720-1339) found on the DS-DE 6, is connected to Kevin Chambliss and not Respondent.
Entered by: Brian Ayres

2. **Date and time:** December 3, 2021 @ 11:27 am
Name: Lavencia Alls– Treasurer at time of Referral and Registered Agent
Phone #: 786-728-5900
Summary: Call was unsuccessful. The phone number has a full voicemail inbox.
Entered by: Brian Ayres

3. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Entered by:

RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO – Call details at #[LOG NUMBER]

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

- Why were the reports for better Future for Our Children reports filed late? (21-089)
- Why was the M12 report not filed on its due date of January 11, 21? (21-182)
- 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 [*Candidate and Campaign Treasurer OR Political Committee OR Electioneering Communications Organization*] *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?

Brian Ayres

From: Brian Ayres
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 9:06 AM
To: ms.all0903@gmail.com
Subject: Florida Elections Commission - December 2, 2021

Good morning Ms. Alls,

I am looking to speak with you regarding your time as treasurer for Better Future for our Children. Please let me know what the best number for you is, and when the best time to call may be.

Thank you,

Brian Ayres

Investigation Specialist
Florida Elections Commission
107 W Gaines St., #224
(850) 404-5616
Brian.Ayres@myfloridalegal.com

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 21-182**

Respondent: Lavencia Alls

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** September 10, 2021 @ 11:15 am

Name: Lavencai Alls - Respondent

Phone #: 786-728-5900

Summary: Respondent stated she has had a hit and miss relationship with FEC staff. However, emails to Respondent show no response. Respondent stated she wants to resolve this matter as fast as she can. The Respondent acknowledged she filed the 2020 M12 waiver late but did not know the specific date. Respondent stated she does not possess a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, or a Political Committee Handbook. Respondent stated she has been taking classes to better understand election code. Respondent has been either the Treasurer or Chairperson to 3 times (2 Candidate campaigns, one Political Committee).

Respondent stated the number used on this call is her cell phone number and is the best way to reach her, especially after 4pm on weekdays.

Entered by: Brian Ayres

2. **Date and time:**

Name:

Phone #:

Summary:

Entered by:

3. **Date and time:**

Name:

Phone #:

Summary:

Entered by:

4. **Date and time:**

Name:

Phone #:

Summary:

Entered by:

5. **Date and time:**

Name:

Phone #:

Summary:

Entered by:

6. **Date and time:**

Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Entered by:

7. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Entered by:

RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO – Call details at #[LOG NUMBER]

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

- Why was the 2020 M12 report or waiver filed late?

Yes, it was waiver

- What date was the report or waiver filed on?

It was – it was a waiver

- Have you ever run for public office? If so, please name each office you ran for and state what year each election occurred.

Treasurer only

- 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.

Yes – 1 Better future for children, 2 state rep, 3 state rep,

- 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.

Yes - 1 Better future for children, 2 state rep, 3 state rep,

- 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.

Yes - 1 Better future for children, 2 state rep, 3 state rep,

- What action have you taken to determine your responsibilities under Florida's election laws?

Initially learn as you go, npow has taken training classes and understand it better. Lines and grey areas

- Do you possess a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes? If so, when did you first obtain it? Have you read it?

no

- Do you possess a copy of the *Political Committee Handbook*? If so, when did you first obtain it? Have you read it?

Not in possession. Looked online

- Did you receive any other materials from your filing officer? If so, please describe them.

no

- 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?

We are looking to resolve it in the fastest way possible. It will be taken care of that way. More training to learn more. Knows her roles and responsibilities.

Stationary today:

Best ways to reach – Cell Phone is the best way to reach her. After 4 she is more available.

Same gmail account.



Florida Elections Commission

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August 3, 2021

LaVencia Alls
Better Future For Our Children
25931 S. Dixie Highway, Unit 611
Homestead, FL 33032-5567

RE: Case No.: FEC 21-182; Respondent: Better Future For Our Children

Dear Ms. Alls:

On March 5, 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 2020 M12 reporting period.

However, prior to an investigation, you have the option to **resolve your case now by** signing a minor violation consent order and **paying a fine of \$50**, per Rule 2B-1.003, Florida Administrative Code, **rather than the potential \$1,000 per violation** provided for in Section 106.265, Florida Statutes.

If you sign the consent order, **you would not be required to admit or deny the allegation(s)** 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.

Please contact Mattie Clay by phone at (850) 922-4539, by email at Mattie.Clay@myfloridalegal.com, or at the address listed above, to accept this minor violation consent order.

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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,



Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

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**DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
FEC NOTICE FORM**

To FEC from Division of Elections

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5 MAR '21 PM 3:32

Name: Better Future For Our Children
Account Number: 79006
Chairperson: LaVencia Alls
Treasurer: LaVencia Alls
Registered Agent: LaVencia Alls

The Division of Elections hereby provides this notice to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to sections 106.07(8)(d), 106.22(7), and 106.25(2), Florida Statutes. An apparent violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, has occurred based upon the failure to file a report after notice or failure to file a notification to the filing officer in writing that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date as required by section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

The following report is outstanding after notification: 2020 M12

- Better Future For Our Children (79006) is a political committee registered with the Division of Elections. On October 16, 2020, the committee filed the DSDE 5 and DSDE 6 with the Division indicating that LaVencia Alls was the chairperson.
- The 2020 M12 campaign treasurer's report was due on January 11, 2021. On January 12, 2021, the Division mailed Better Future For Our Children notification that the 2020 M12 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
- On January 25, 2021, the Division mailed Better Future For Our Children notification that the 2020 M12 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed.
- On February 11, 2021, the Division mailed Better Future For Our Children final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2020 M12 report had not been filed. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)
- The committee did not notify the Division of Elections prior to or on the prescribed reporting date for the 2020 M12 report that no report was to be filed.
- As of March 2, 2021, Better Future For Our Children has not filed the 2020 M12 report.

Sent By: Kristi Reid Willis

Date: March 2, 2021 *KRW*

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February 11, 2021

LaVencia Alls, Chairperson
Better Future For Our Children
25931 South Dixie Highway
Unit 611
Homestead, FL 33032-3032

PAC 79006

Dear Ms. Alls:

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	M12	12/1/20 - 12/31/20

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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