

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Bruce Antone

Case No.: FEC 15-032

TO: Mark Herron, Esquire
Messer Caparello PA
P.O. Box 15579
Tallahassee, FL 32317

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

NOTICE OF HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **August 16, 2016 at 9:00 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room 110-S, Tallahassee, Florida 32399**

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Amy McKeever Toman
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
August 1, 2016

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STATE OF FLORIDA
ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**Florida Elections Commission,
Petitioner,**

Case No.: FEC 15-032

v.

**Bruce Antone
Respondent.**

ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 18, 2016, in Tallahassee, Florida.

Based on the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff's Recommendation, and oral statements (if any) made at the probable cause hearing, the Commission finds that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with the following violation(s):

Count 1:

On or about November 12, 2013, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2013 M10 Report.

Count 2:

On or about January 10, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2013 M12 Report.

Count 3:

On or about July 11, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2014 P2 Report.

Count 4:

On or about July 25, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2014 P3 Report.

Count 5:

On or about October 3, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2014 G3 Report.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on May 18, 2016.



M. Scott Thomas, Chairman
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Michael T. McGuckin, Assistant General Counsel
Mark Herron, Attorney for 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.

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Bruce Antone

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NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **May 19, 2016 at 12:30 pm**, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: **Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room 110-S, Tallahassee, Florida 32399**

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Amy McKeever Toman
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
May 3, 2016

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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(850) 922-4539

March 1, 2016

Mark Herron
Messer Caparello PA
Post Office Box 15579
Tallahassee, FL 32317

RE: Case No.: FEC 15-032; Respondent: Bruce Antone

Dear Mr Herron:

The Florida Elections Commission at its last regularly scheduled meeting was unable to hear this case. Therefore, this case has been rescheduled for its next meeting, which is scheduled for May 18-19, 2016. A notice of hearing will be mailed approximately 14 days before the hearing.

If you have any questions, please contact us at the number listed above or at fec@myfloridalegal.com.

Sincerely,

/s/Amy McKeever Toman
Executive Director

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cc: Division of Elections, Complainant

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

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Case No.: FEC 15-032

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Division of Elections
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Tallahassee, FL 32399

NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **February 17, 2016 at 10:00 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **Florida State Conference Center, 555 West Pensacola Street, Room #108, Tallahassee, Florida 32306.**

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Amy McKeever Toman
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
February 2, 2016

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In Re: Bruce Antone

Case No.: FEC 15-032

ORDER CONTINUING CASE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 26, 2015, in Tallahassee, Florida.

Respondent filed a Motion to Continue.

The Commission reviewed Respondent's Motion and considered Staff's Response. Respondent's Motion was **GRANTED**.

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

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on August 26, 2015.



M. Scott Thomas, Chairman
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Jaakan A. Williams, Assistant General Counsel
Mark Herron, Attorney for Respondent
Division of Elections, Complainant

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: **Bruce Antone**

Case No.: **FEC 15-032**

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Division of Elections
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NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

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Amy McKeever Toman
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
August 11, 2015

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes**. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on May 8, 2015, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On January 8, 2015, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections, alleging that Bruce Antone, ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a candidate for the office of State Representative, District 46, during the 2014 election cycle. (ROI Exhibit 1)¹

3. Complainant alleged that Respondent failed to notify his filing officer in writing that no reports would be filed on the applicable reporting date for the following reports: 2013 M10, 2013 M12, 2014 P2, 2014 P3, and the 2014 G3 Reports.

4. By letter dated March 18, 2015, 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, for each of the following reporting periods, Respondent 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 reporting periods:

- 2013 M10
- 2013 M12
- 2014 P2
- 2014 P3
- 2014 G3

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

Alleged Violation: Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes

5. Respondent filed an amended State of Florida Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form (“DS-DE 9”), on June 19, 2014, and appointed himself as treasurer for his campaign. (ROI Exhibit 1)

6. By letter dated February 20, 2013, the Division acknowledged receipt of Respondent’s DS-DE 9 form, and indicated that Respondent’s name had been placed on the 2014 active candidate list. The letter also provided Respondent with his initial password and sign-on credentials for the electronic filing system (EFS). (ROI Exhibit 2)

7. Ms. Bronson’s letter also informed Respondent that all of the Division’s publications and reporting forms are available on its website. The letter advised Respondent to print a copy of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, *2013 Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and the *2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*. *Id.*

8. The *2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook* explained the requirement of filing a waiver-of-report when the candidate has no financial activity to disclose. (ROI Exhibit 3, pages 3 and 5)

9. The *Candidate EFS User’s Guide* explains the process for filing a waiver-of-report using the electronic filing system (EFS). Listed on page 13 are specific instructions about checking the box next to “waiver” when there is no financial activity to disclose. (ROI Exhibit 4, pages 4 and 5)

10. In pertinent part, Section 106 07(7), Florida Statutes, state:

[A]ny candidate or political committee not reporting by virtue of this subsection on dates prescribed elsewhere in this chapter **shall notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that no report is being filed on that date.** (emphasis added)

11. The table below reflects Respondent’s untimely written notifications to the Division:

| Report | Report Cover Period | Date Notification Due | Date Notification Filed | No. of Days Late |
|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 2013 M10 | 10/1/13 – 10/31/13 | 11/12/13 | 12/10/13 | 28 |
| 2013 M12 | 12/1/13 – 12/31/13 | 1/10/14 | 2/10/14 | 31 |
| 2014 P2 | 6/21/14 – 7/4/14 | 7/11/14 | 7/29/14 | 18 |
| 2014 P3 | 7/5/14 – 7/18/14 | 7/25/14 | 7/29/14 | 4 |
| 2014 G3 | 9/13/14 – 9/26/14 | 10/3/14 | 10/4/14 | 1 |

12. Respondent neither provided a response to the referral nor did he return his Questionnaire-Affidavit. (See ROI, paragraphs 8 and 9)

13. Despite having received and/or read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the 2012 *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, and the *EFS Guide Book*, Respondent failed to timely notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed for the 2013 M10, 2013 M12, 2014 P2, 2014 P3, and the 2014 G3 Reports. (ROI Exhibit 5)

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 was a candidate for the office of State Representative, District 46, during the 2014 election cycle. Respondent appointed himself as treasurer for his campaign. During the 2014 reporting cycle, Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no report would be filed for the 2013 M10, 2013 M12, 2014 P2, 2014 P3, and the 2014 G3 Reports.

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

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Count 2:

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On or about July 11, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2014 P2 Report.

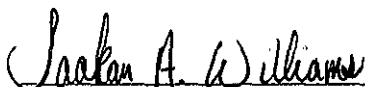
Count 4:

On or about July 25, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he 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 2014 P3 Report.

Count 5:

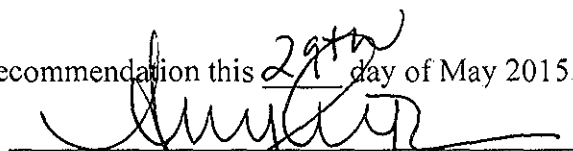
On or about October 3, 2014, Respondent violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when he failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because he had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2014 G3 Report.

Respectfully submitted on ~~May~~ ^{June} 1st, 2015.



Jaakan A. Williams
Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this ^{29th} day of May 2015.



Amy McKeever Toman
Executive Director

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Failure to Notify Filing Officer

Case Number FEC 15-032

Respondent: Bruce Antone

Section 106 07(7), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate who did not receive any contributions or make any expenditures during a reporting period to notify timely the filing officer, in writing, that no report is being filed

Complainant: Division of Elections

Respondent Type:

- Candidate
 Political Committee

I. Preliminary Information:

1. An appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 9) was filed on February 19, 2013 (Ex. 1)

2. An acknowledgement letter was mailed to the address provided on Respondent's DS-DE 9 on February 20, 2013 advising Respondent that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on their website, including Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the *2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, and the Calendar of Reporting Dates. (Ex. 2)

3. The acknowledgement letter also states, "An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports" and provides the telephone number for the Division's EFS Help Desk.

4. The *2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, discusses filing a waiver when there is no activity to disclose on page 46¹ (Ex. 3)

5. Pages 12, 13, 44, and 45 of the *Candidate EFS User's Guide* discuss how to notify the Division on the prescribed reporting date that no report will be filed using the EFS. Specifically, page 13 instructs the user to click the box next to "waiver" if there is no activity to disclose. (Ex. 4)

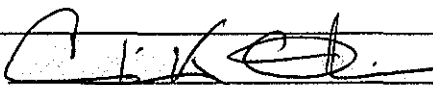
6. In a telephone interview on April 2, 2015, Kristi Reid-Bronson clarified that once the waiver box is chosen and a new report is opened as shown on Page 12, the only available option on the report summary screen will be "Go To File Report" as shown on Page 13. Choosing "Go To File Report" will take the user directly to the screens where the candidate/treasurer PINS are entered as shown on Pages 44 and 45.

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

7. Respondent's filing history reflects the untimely filed notifications summarized below. (Ex. 5)

| Report | Report Cover Period | Date Notification Due | Date Notification Filed | No. of Days Late |
|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 2013 M10 | 10/1/13 – 10/31/13 | 11/12/13 | 12/10/13 | 28 |
| 2013 M12 | 12/1/13 – 12/31/13 | 1/10/14 | 2/10/14 | 31 |
| 2014 P2 | 6/21/14 – 7/4/14 | 7/11/14 | 7/29/14 | 18 |
| 2014 P3 | 7/5/14 – 7/18/14 | 7/25/14 | 7/29/14 | 4 |
| 2014 G3 | 9/13/14 – 9/26/14 | 10/3/14 | 10/4/14 | 1 |

¹ The 2012 Political Committee Handbook that the DOE is referring to was published in November 2011. The DOE revises these handbooks bi-yearly.

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| 8. Respondent did not provide a written response to the referral. |
| 9. Respondent did not return an affidavit nor was he interviewed regarding the reasons for the late filings |
| III. FEC History: |
| 10 Respondent has had prior cases before the Commission. |
| Conclusion: |
| 11 I attempted to contact Respondent on 3 occasions to give him an opportunity to discuss the allegations in the referral. Additionally, an affidavit was mailed to Respondent on April 6, 2015. As of the date of this report, Respondent has not returned my calls, nor has he returned an affidavit |
| 12. Because Respondent has not contacted the Commission or returned an affidavit, I am unable to ascertain whether Respondent has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes and/or the <i>2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook</i> . Respondent signed his Statement of Candidate form on February 18, 2013. (Ex. 6) |
| SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR:  Date: <u>5/8/15</u> |

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Bruce Antone -- FEC 15-032

| LIST OF EXHIBITS | |
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| Exhibits #s | Description of Exhibits |
| Exhibit 1 | Respondent's DS-DE 9 Form |
| Exhibit 2 | Acknowledgement Letter |
| Exhibit 3 | Relevant pages from the 2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook |
| Exhibit 4 | Relevant pages from the Candidate EFS User's Guide |
| Exhibit 5 | Respondent's Filing History |
| Exhibit 6 | Statement of Candidate |

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**
(Section 106 021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

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

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DEPT. OF STATE
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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

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)

Bruce Hadley Antone

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

8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, Florida 32818

4 Telephone

(407) 963-3543

5 E-mail address

Bantone39@aol.com

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

State Representative District 46

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 Democratic Party candidate

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

10 Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

Bruce Antone

11. Mailing Address

8627 Shenna Court

12 Telephone

(407) 963-3543

13 City

Orlando

14 County

Orange

15 State

Florida

16. Zip Code

32818

17 E-mail address

Bantone39@aol.com

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

19. Name of Bank

Regions

20 Address

270 Moore Road

21 City

Ocoee

22. County

Orange

23 State

Florida

24 Zip Code

34761

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

February 18, 2013

26 Signature of Candidate

X 

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

I, Bruce H. Antone, do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

February 18, 2013

X

Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**
(Section 106 021(1), F.S.)

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

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

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

BRUCE HARLEY ANTONI

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

8627 SHENNA COURT
ORLANDO, FL 32818

4 Telephone

(407) 963-3543

5 E-mail address

BANTONE39@aol.com

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

STATE REPRESENTATIVE District 46

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

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12 Telephone

407-963-3543

13 City

ORLANDO

14 County

ORANGE

15. State

FL

16 Zip Code

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17. E-mail address

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20 Address

21 City

22. County

23 State

24 Zip Code

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25 Date

6/18/14

26 Signature of Candidate

X [Signature]

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

BRUCE HARLEY ANTONI

do hereby accept the appointment

(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

6/18/14
Date

X [Signature]
Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

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SECRETARY OF STATE

APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES
(Section 106 021(1), F S)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

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

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):
 Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: Treasurer/Deputy Depository Office Party

2 Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last) **BRUCE HADLEY ANTOINE**
 3 Address (include post office box or street, city, state, zip code) **8627 STEENNA COURT
ORLANDO, FL 32818**

4 Telephone **(407) 963-3543** 5 E-mail address **BANTON33@AOL.COM**

6 Office sought (include district, circuit, group number) **STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 46**
 7 If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check if applicable:
 My intent is to run as a Write-In candidate.

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 Write-In No Party Affiliation **DEMOCRATIC** Party candidate

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

10 Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer **BRUCE H. ANTOINE**

11 Mailing Address **8627 STEENNA COURT** 12 Telephone **407 963-3543**

13. City **ORLANDO** 14. County **ORANGE** 15 State **FL** 16 Zip Code **32818** 17 E-mail address **BANTON33@AOL.COM**

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19. Name of Bank **REGIONS** 20. Address **270 MOORE ROAD**

21 City **OCFEE** 22 County **ORANGE** 23. State **FLORIDA** 24 Zip Code **34761**

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25 Date **6/19/2014** 26 Signature of Candidate **X B.H.A.**

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate block)
 I, **BRUCE H. ANTOINE**, do hereby accept the appointment
 (Please Print or Type Name)
 designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer
6/19/2014 **X B.H.A.**
 Date Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RICK SCOTT
Governor

KEN DETZNER
Secretary of State

February 20, 2013

The Honorable Bruce Hadley Antone
8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, Florida 32818

Dear Representative Antone:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for the office of State Representative, which was placed on file in our office on February 19, 2013. Your name has been placed on the 2014 active candidate list

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **April 10, 2013**. The report will cover the period of January 1 - March 31, 2013. All candidates who file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's electronic filing system (EFS)

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and your user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. You, your campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting these passwords from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

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

Identification Number: 60303

Division of Elections

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The Honorable Bruce Hadley Antone
February 20, 2013
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Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update personal information. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your confidential pin numbers.

Each candidate is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that password is forgotten or lost. When you enter the campaign account screen, there will be a drop down box where you pick a question (such as *What is your mother's maiden name?*) and supply an answer. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by Division staff and given out over the phone. Please notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

Timely Filing

All reports 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.

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

Electronic Receipts

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

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February 20, 2013
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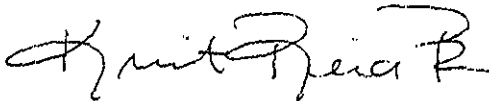
Instructions and Assistance

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' web site at <http://elections.myflorida.com>. 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, 2012 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, 2013 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information

Sincerely,



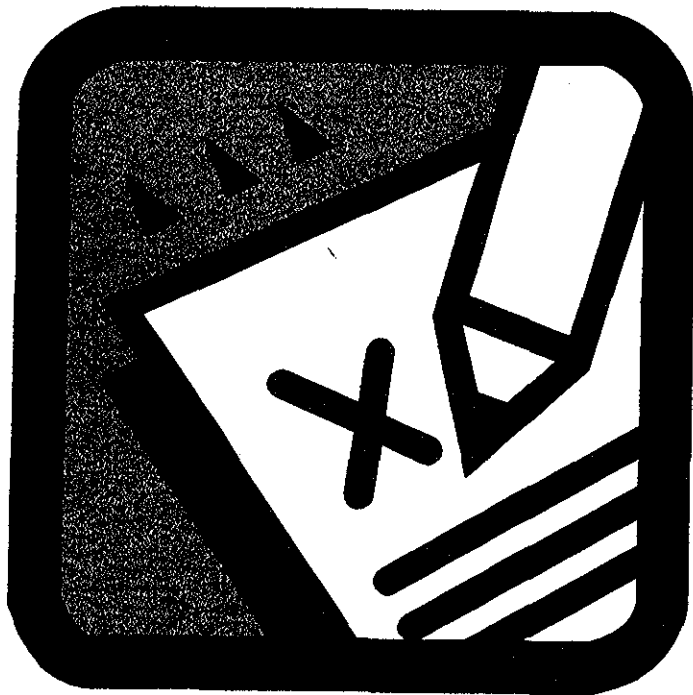
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Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

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CANDIDATE AND CAMPAIGN TREASURER HANDBOOK



November 2011

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Penalty for Late Filing

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 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding the primary and general election, 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. For a candidate's termination report, the fine shall be \$50 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. All fines must be paid from the candidate's **personal funds** – not campaign funds.

(Section 106.07(2) and (8), F.S.)

Waiver of Report

In any reporting period during which a candidate has not received funds or made any expenditures, the filing of the required report for that period is waived; **however**, the candidate must indicate there is no activity by filing a waiver of report. (Waivers filed with the Division of Elections must be filed 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.

(Section 106.07, F.S.)

The treasurer of an electioneering communications organization shall file a written report with the filing officer by the prescribed reporting date when the organization has not received funds, made any contributions, or expended any reportable funds. This report filed with the Division of Elections must be filed using the EFS.

(Section 106.0703, F.S.)

Incomplete Reports

If a campaign treasurer files a report that is deemed incomplete, it shall be accepted on a conditional basis. The campaign treasurer will be notified by the filing officer as to why the report is incomplete. The campaign treasurer must file an addendum to the incomplete report within seven days of notification. The addendum must include all necessary information to complete the report.

(Section 106.07(2), F.S.)

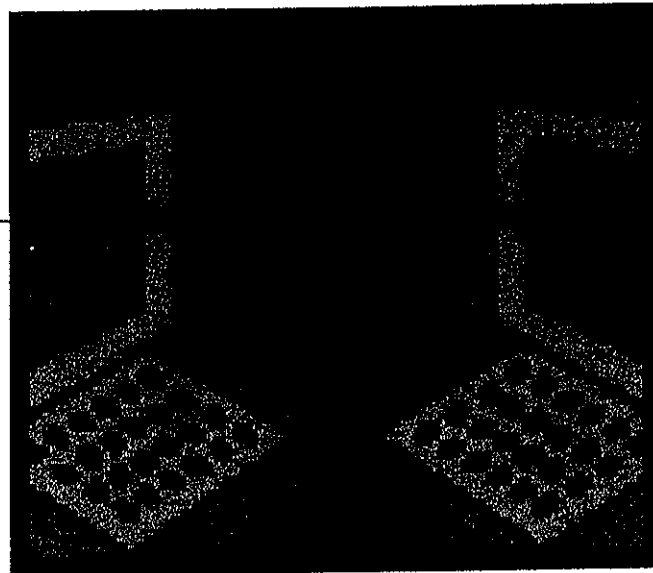
Reporting Total Sums

Each campaign treasurer's report required by Chapter 106, F.S., shall contain the total sums of all loans, in-kind contributions, and other receipts by or for such candidate, and total sums of all expenditures made by such candidate during the reporting period. The reporting forms shall be designed to elicit separate totals for in-kind contributions, loans, and other receipts.

(Section 106.07, F.S.)

**Department of State
Division of Elections**

Candidate EFS User's Guide



**Florida Department of State
Division of Elections
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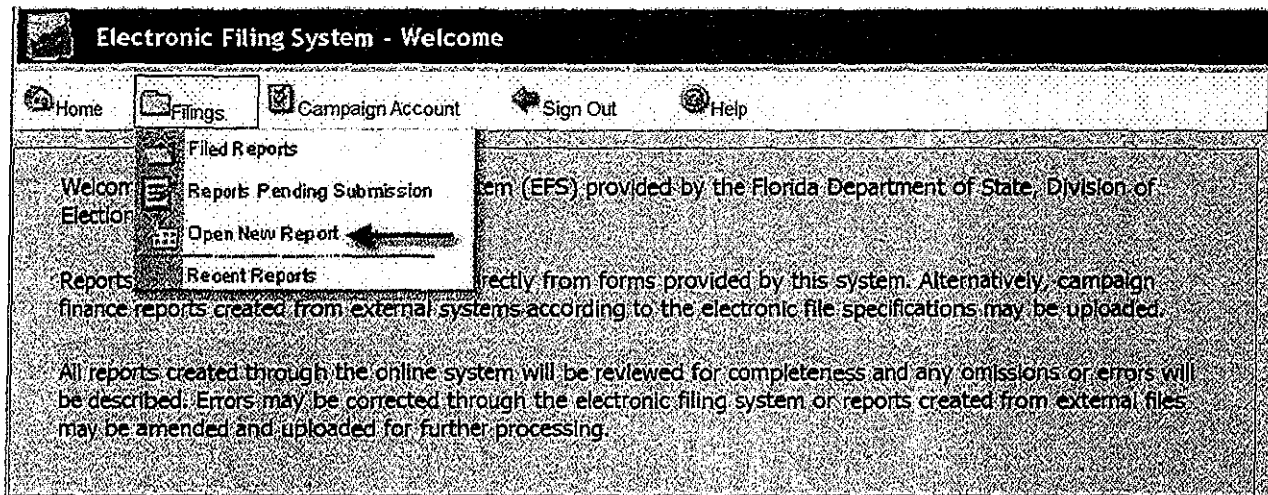
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Create a New Report by Data Entry

From the Welcome Screen, click  Filings and then  Open New Report



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


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.

Browse...

Open Report

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

Click  arrow next to **Report Type** and select the report type that corresponds to the appropriate cover period and due date.

The **Cover Period** dates will automatically fill in based on the **Calendar of Election and Reporting Dates**. The end date can be changed for candidate termination reports.

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

****NOTE****

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

Election Cycle:
Report Type:
Coverage Period: Due Date:
 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:
File Date: Review Status:
Status: Last Review:

of Transactions:

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

Review Messages

Created: By: Revised: By:

EXHIBIT 4(4 of 6)

File the Report

If the **Review Status** is Updated Detail – Needs Review the report has not been reviewed since the last update. (See page 38 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:

| 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 |
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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 candidate 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: **Reviewed** 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: 


The treasurer enters his or her PIN and then clicks

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

Review Status: Original Amended

Campaign Treasurer: Waiver

PIN for specified Treasurer:

To Edit Report Again Select Cancel: 

IMPORTANT NOTE: If changes need to be made after a candidate enters his PIN, the treasurer must undo the candidate's PIN validation before the system will allow changes. See page 48 for instructions.



Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Name:

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Candidate Name: Bruce Antone

Account: 60303

| Date Due | Type | Date Filed | Status | Days Late | Fine Assessed | Appealed | Amount Fined | Amount Paid |
|------------|------|------------|--------|-----------|---------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| 2/2/2015 | TR | 2/2/2015 | | | | | | |
| 10/31/2014 | G7 | 10/31/2014 | | | | | | |
| 10/24/2014 | G6 | 10/24/2014 | | | | | | |
| 10/17/2014 | G5 | 10/17/2014 | | | | | | |
| 10/10/2014 | G4 | 10/11/2014 | DUE | 1 | \$50 00 | | \$50 00 | \$0 00 |
| 10/3/2014 | G3 | 10/4/2014 | FEC | 1 | \$0 00 | | \$0 00 | \$0 00 |
| 9/19/2014 | G2 | 9/19/2014 | | | | | | |
| 9/5/2014 | G1 | 9/5/2014 | | | | | | |
| 8/22/2014 | P7 | 8/22/2014 | | | | | | |
| 8/15/2014 | P6 | 8/15/2014 | | | | | | |
| 8/8/2014 | P5 | 8/8/2014 | | | | | | |
| 8/1/2014 | P4 | 8/1/2014 | | | | | | |
| 7/25/2014 | P3 | 7/29/2014 | FEC | 4 | \$0 00 | | \$0 00 | \$0 00 |
| 7/11/2014 | P2 | 7/29/2014 | FEC | 18 | \$0 00 | | \$0 00 | \$0 00 |
| 6/27/2014 | P1 | 6/27/2014 | | | | | | |
| 6/10/2014 | M5 | 6/10/2014 | | | | | | |
| 5/12/2014 | M4 | 5/10/2014 | | | | | | |
| 4/10/2014 | M3 | 4/10/2014 | | | | | | |
| 3/10/2014 | M2 | 3/10/2014 | | | | | | |
| 2/10/2014 | M1 | 2/10/2014 | | | | | | |
| 1/10/2014 | M12 | 2/10/2014 | FEC | 31 | \$0 00 | | \$0 00 | \$0 00 |
| 12/10/2013 | M11 | 12/10/2013 | | | | | | |
| 11/12/2013 | M10 | 12/10/2013 | FEC | 28 | \$0 00 | | \$0 00 | \$0 00 |
| 10/10/2013 | Q3 | 10/10/2013 | | | | | | |
| 7/10/2013 | Q2 | 7/10/2013 | | | | | | |
| 4/10/2013 | Q1 | 5/17/2013 | DFS | 37 | \$1,575 00 | | \$1,575 00 | \$0 00 |

EXHIBIT 5

**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE**

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

(Please print or type)

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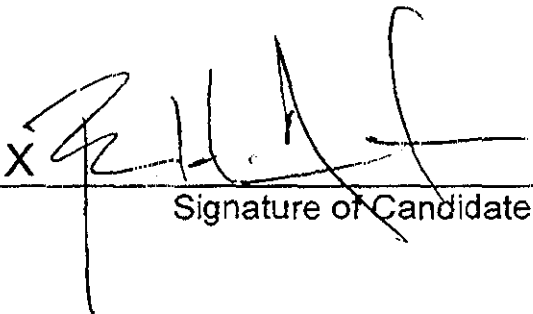
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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
SECRETARY OF STATE

I, BRUCE H. ANTONIO

candidate for the office of STATE REPRESENTATIVE District 46

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

X 
Signature of Candidate

6/15/2014
Date

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CANDIDATE**

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

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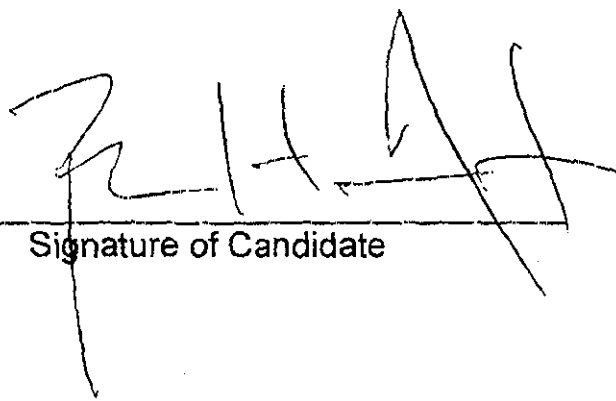
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COMMISSIONER OF STATE
2013 FEB 19 AM 11:07
DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

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Signature of Candidate

February 18, 2013
Date

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

**107 W. Gaines Street,
Suite 224 Collins Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050
Telephone: (850) 922-4539
Fax: (850) 921-0783**

March 18, 2015

Mark Herron, Esquire
Messer Caparello P A.
P O Box 15579
Tallahassee, FL 32317

RE: Case No.: FEC 15-032; Respondent: Bruce Antone

Dear Mr. Herron:

On January 8, 2015, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that your client 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, for each of the following reporting periods, Respondent 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 reporting period:

- 2013 M10
- 2013 M12
- 2014 P2
- 2014 P3
- 2014 G3

You may respond to the allegations above by filing a notarized statement providing any information regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding the allegations. Your response will be included as an attachment to the investigator's report.

When we conclude the investigation, a copy of the Report of Investigation will be mailed to you at the above address. You may file a response to the report within 14 days from the date the report is mailed to you. Based on the results of the investigation, legal staff will make a written

recommendation to the Commission on whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. A copy of the Staff Recommendation will be mailed to you and you may file a response within 14 days from the date the recommendation is mailed to you. Your timely filed response(s) will be considered by the Commission when determining probable cause.

The Commission will then hold a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You and the complainant will receive a notice of hearing at least 14 days before the hearing. The notice of hearing will indicate the location, date, and time of your hearing. You will have the opportunity to make a brief oral statement to the Commission, but you will not be permitted to testify or call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence.

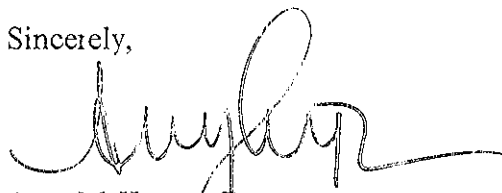
At any time before a probable cause finding, you may notify us in writing that you want to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a settlement via consent agreement.

The Report of Investigation, Staff Recommendation, and Notice of Hearing will be mailed to the above address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify this office of your new address. Otherwise, you may not receive these important documents. Failure to receive the documents will not delay the probable cause hearing.

Under section 106 25, Florida Statutes, complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, are confidential until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the person filing the complaint. However, it does apply to you unless you waive confidentiality in writing. The confidentiality provision does not preclude you from seeking legal counsel. However, if 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.

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

Sincerely,



Amy McKeever Joman
Executive Director

AMT/enr



Re: Bruce Antone FEC 15-032

Cindy Lowell

to:

Donna Malphurs (Donna.Malphurs@myfloridalegal.com)

01/26/2015 10:20 AM

Show Details

2 Attachments



image001.gif ANTONE 2015-01-26 Notice of Appearance.pdf

Please see attached Notice of Appearance in the above-referenced matter. A paper copy will follow via regular U.S. Mail.

Cindy Lowell

Legal Assistant for
Mark Herron &
Robert J. Telfer, III
Messer Caparello, P.A.
2618 Centennial Place
Tallahassee, FL 32308
850-201-5234

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

FEC Case No. 15-032

In re: Bruce Antone, Respondent.

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

The undersigned is appearing as attorney for Bruce Antone, a candidate for the State House of Representatives, District 46, in connection with the above-referenced complaint filed by the Division of Elections. Please serve copies of all pleadings, motions, correspondence, or other papers relating to this matter on the undersigned at the address set forth below.

Respectfully submitted on this 26th day of January, 2015, by:

Mark Herron

Digitally signed by Mark Herron
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Date: 2015.01.26 10:17:47 -05'00'

MARK HERRON

Florida Bar Number: 0199737

Messer Caparello, P.A.

Post Office Box 15579

Tallahassee, FL 32317

Telephone: (850) 222-0720

Facsimile: (850) 558-0659

Email: mherron@lawfla.com

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing notice of appearance was forwarded by U.S. Mail and electronic mail to the Agency Clerk, Florida Elections Commission, Room 224, The Collins Building, 107 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050, on this 26th day of January, 2015

Mark Herron

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STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

FEC Case No. 15-032

In re: Bruce Antone, Respondent.

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**DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
FEC REFERRAL FORM**

To FEC from Division of Elections

RECEIVED
2015 JAN -8 P 1:34
FILE

Name: Bruce Antone
Account Number: 60303
Treasurer: Bruce Antone

The Division of Elections is referring this issue to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to Section 106.25 and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, in that written notifications of no reports were filed after the applicable reporting deadline for the following reports:

| <u>Report</u> | <u>Due Date</u> | <u>Date Waiver Filed</u> |
|---------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 2013 M10 | 11/12/2013 | 12/10/2013 |
| 2013 M12 | 1/10/2014 | 2/10/2014 |
| 2014 P2 | 7/11/2014 | 7/29/2014 |
| 2014 P3 | 7/25/2014 | 7/29/2014 |
| 2014 G3 | 10/3/2014 | 10/4/2014 |

The late filings of the required waiver reports reflect a deliberate failure to provide information to the filing officer as required by Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, i.e no report is being filed on the prescribed reporting date

Sent By: Kristi Reid Bronson / jq *KRB*
Date: January 7, 2015

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Leon

Kristi Reid Bronson, being duly sworn, says:

1. I am the Chief of the Bureau of Election Records of the Division of Elections (Division). In that capacity, I oversee the Division's duties related to the filing of campaign finance reports. This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge, including information obtained from review of the attached records, of which I am the custodian.
2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.
3. Bruce Antone (60303) was a 2014 candidate for the office of State Representative. On February 19, 2013, Mr. Antone filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository with the Division indicating that he was the treasurer.
4. The 2013 M10 campaign treasurer's report was due on November 12, 2013. On November 13 and November 20, 2013, the Division mailed Mr. Antone notifications that the 2013 M10 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed. Mr. Antone filed a waiver for this report on December 10, 2013. (See attached letters and file receipt).
5. The 2013 M12 campaign treasurer's report was due on January 10, 2014. On January 13 and January 22, 2014, the Division mailed Mr. Antone notifications that the 2013 M12 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed. Mr. Antone filed a waiver for this report on February 10, 2014. (See attached letters and file receipt).
6. The 2014 P2 campaign treasurer's report was due on July 11, 2014. On July 14, 2014, the Division mailed Mr. Antone notification that the 2014 P2 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed. Mr. Antone filed a waiver for this report on July 29, 2014. (See attached letter and file receipt).
7. The 2014 P3 campaign treasurer's report was due on July 25, 2014. On July 28, 2014, the Division mailed Mr. Antone notification that the 2014 P3 campaign treasurer's report had not been filed. Mr. Antone filed a waiver for this report on July 29, 2014. (See attached letter and file receipt).
8. The 2014 G3 campaign treasurer's report was due on October 3, 2014. Mr. Antone filed a waiver for this report on October 4, 2014. (See attached file receipt).

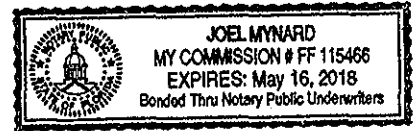
Paul Reid B
Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 7th day
of January, 2015.

Joel Mynard
Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary
Public

Personally Known



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

(Section 106 021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

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

RECEIVED
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

2013 FEB 19 AM 11:07

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

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)

Bruce Hadley Antone

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

8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, Florida 32818

4 Telephone

(407) 963-3543

5 E-mail address

Bantone39@aol.com

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

State Representative District 46

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 Democratic _____ Party candidate

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

10 Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

Bruce Antone

11 Mailing Address

8627 Shenna Court

12. Telephone

(407) 963-3543

13 City

Orlando

14 County

Orange

15 State

Florida

16 Zip Code

32818

17. E-mail address

Bantone39@aol.com

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

19 Name of Bank

Regions

20 Address

270 Moore Road

21 City

Ocoee

22. County

Orange

23 State

Florida

24 Zip Code

34761

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

February 18, 2013

26 Signature of Candidate



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

I, Bruce H. Antone do hereby accept the appointment
(Please Print or Type Name)

designated above as: Campaign Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

February 18, 2013

Date

Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**STATEMENT OF
CANDIDATE**

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

(Please print or type)

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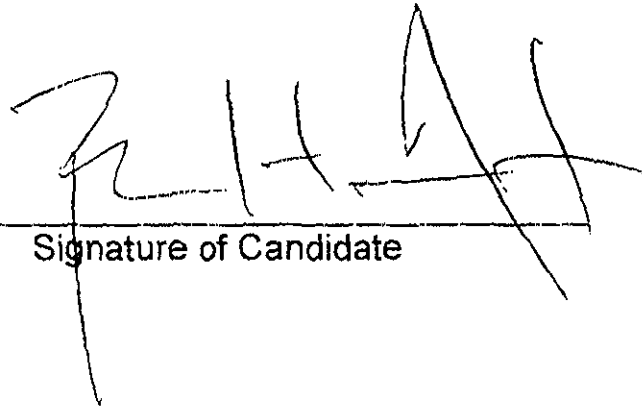
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X



Signature of Candidate

February 18, 2013
Date

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 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **60303** Name: **Bruce Antone**

Report: 2013 - M10 - 4

Print Date: **1/6/2015 2:10:41 PM**

Election: 2014 General Election

Covers: 10/1/2013-10/31/2013

Amended Waiver

Due: 11/12/2013

Filed: **12/10/2013 11:27:49 PM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **12/10/2013**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Number of Detail Records

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 0

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Fund Transfers: 0

Distributions: 0

To Print Report: Right Click Mouse and Select 'Print'



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 13, 2013

Bruce Antone, Treasurer
Bruce Hadley Antone
8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, FL 32818-2818

Re: CAN 60303

Dear Representative Antone:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due November 12, 2013, has not been received

Section 106.07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file this report and that a fine will be assessed of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter \$500 per day, although a fine cannot 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.

Once your report is filed, this office will notify you of the specific amount of your fine. Fines must be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of the payment due notice.

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report, the division will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission

Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count for each willful violation of Chapter 106.

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

November 20, 2013

Bruce Antone, Treasurer
Bruce Hadley Antone
8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, FL 32818-2818

Re: CAN 60303

Dear Representative Antone:

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The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on November 13, 2013. As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report.

If the report is not filed via the Division's electronic filing system within 14 days of receipt of this notice, this matter will be referred to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106 265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **60303** Name: **Bruce Antone**

Report: 2013 - M12 - 7

Print Date: **1/6/2015 2:10:57 PM**

Election: 2014 General Election

Covers: 12/1/2013-12/31/2013

Amended Waiver

Due: 1/10/2014

Filed: **2/10/2014 9:09:19 PM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **2/10/2014**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Number of Detail Records

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 0

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Fund Transfers: 0

Distributions: 0

To Print Report: Right Click Mouse and Select 'Print'



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner

Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

January 13, 2014

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Once your report is filed, this office will notify you of the specific amount of your fine. Fines must be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of the payment due notice.

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report, the division will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission.

Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count for each willful violation of Chapter 106.

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Ken Detzner
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

January 22, 2014

Bruce Antone, Treasurer
Bruce Hadley Antone
8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, FL 32818-2818

Re: CAN 60303

Dear Representative Antone:

Your campaign treasurer's report, due January 10, 2014, has not been received.

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The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on January 13, 2014. As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report.

If the report is not filed via the Division's electronic filing system within 14 days of receipt of this notice, this matter will be referred to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106 265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **60303** Name: **Bruce Antone**

Report: 2014 - P2 - 13

Print Date: **1/6/2015 2:11:11 PM**

Election: 2014 General Election

Covers: 6/21/2014-7/4/2014

Amended Waiver

Due: 7/11/2014

Filed: **7/29/2014 7:16:18 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **7/29/2014**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Number of Detail Records

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 0

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Fund Transfers: 0

Distributions: 0

To Print Report: Right Click Mouse and Select 'Print'



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July 14, 2014

Bruce Antone, Treasurer
Bruce Antone
8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, FL 32818-2818

Re: CAN 60303

Dear Representative Antone:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due July 11, 2014, has not been received.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **60303** Name: **Bruce Antone**

Report: 2014 - P3 - 14

Print Date: **1/6/2015 2:11:24 PM**

Election: 2014 General Election

Covers: 7/5/2014-7/18/2014

Amended Waiver

Due: 7/25/2014

Filed: **7/29/2014 7:17:23 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **8/5/2014**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Number of Detail Records

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 0

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Fund Transfers: 0

Distributions: 0

To Print Report: Right Click Mouse and Select 'Print'



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Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

July 28, 2014

Bruce Antone, Treasurer
Bruce Antone
8627 Shenna Court
Orlando, FL 32818-2818

Re: CAN 60303

Dear Representative Antone:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due July 25, 2014, has not been received.

Section 106.07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file this report and that a fine will be assessed of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter \$500 per day, although a fine cannot 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.

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **60303** Name: **Bruce Antone**

Report: 2014 - G3 - 21

Print Date: **1/6/2015 2:11:35 PM**

Election: 2014 General Election

Covers: 9/13/2014-9/26/2014

Amended Waiver

Due: 10/3/2014

Filed: **10/4/2014 4:37:06 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **10/3/2014**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Number of Detail Records

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 0

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Fund Transfers: 0

Distributions: 0

To Print Report: Right Click Mouse and Select 'Print'