

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Pembroke Pines 2020

Case No.: FEC 19-305

TO: Pembroke Pines 2020
Angelo Castillo, Chair
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065

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, **December 1, 2020 at 8:30 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**. Due to heightened security access requirements, please bring only essential items into the building and plan to arrive early to allow for delays coming through security.

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Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
November 9, 2020

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STATE OF FLORIDA
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Florida Elections Commission,
Petitioner,

Case No.: FEC 19-305

v.

Pembroke Pines 2020,
Respondent.

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ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 25, 2020, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On January 15, 2020, Staff recommended to the Commission that there was probable cause to believe that the Florida Election Code was violated. The facts articulated in Staff's Recommendation are adopted by reference and incorporated herein. Based on the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff's Recommendation, and oral statements (if any) made at the probable cause hearing, the Commission finds that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with the following violation(s):

Count 1:

On or about July 27, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 P3 Report.

Count 2:

On or about August 3, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 P4 Report.

Count 3:

On or about August 17, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 P6 Report.

Count 4:

On or about September 7, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G1 Report.

Count 5:

On or about September 21, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G2 Report.

Count 7:

On or about November 2, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G7 Report.

Count 8:

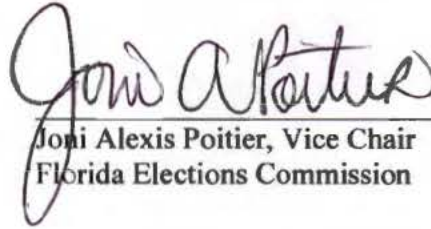
On or about December 10, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2018 M11 Report.

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Count 9:

On or about January 10, 2019, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 M12 Report.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on August 25, 2020.



Joni Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Stephanie J. Cunningham, Assistant General Counsel
Pembroke Pines 2020, 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.

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500 S Bronough Street, Room 316
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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
August 13, 2020

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Confidential Commission Meeting August 25, 2020 at 8:30AM via Zoom

In order to participate in the confidential portion of the August 25, 2020, Florida Elections Commission meeting, please follow the instructions below:

Join Zoom Meeting

Click on the meeting link sent to your attention via email:

<https://zoom.us/j/91062518383?pwd=VkJ4Mi9kUUZXM1llZW5YcDFObU1Sdz09>

If you have difficulty launching the hyperlink, follow these steps.

1. Open your web browser and search ZOOM or enter www.zoom.us
2. Select "Join A Meeting" in the upper right corner of the website.
3. Enter the Meeting ID: 910 6251 8383 and click "Join".
4. Enter the Meeting Passcode: 673802 and click "Join".

For alternative audio participation:

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While this is a confidential meeting and advanced registration is not mandatory, we ask that if you plan to attend via Video Conference or Teleconference, that you notify our office in advance. This will give the Commission the opportunity to organize the agenda as efficiently as possible. It will be the goal of the Commission to hear cases in which parties are present, first, in order to reduce the standby time of the parties in attendance.

Please test your audio; microphone, speakers and webcam, in advance.

Those attendees who wish to speak before the Commission will need to appear by webcam and will be sworn in remotely.

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Thank you,

Commission Staff

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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
July 28, 2020

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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

You are hereby notified that the previously scheduled **hearing for March 24-25, 2020 is cancelled**. It is anticipated that your case will be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting, which is currently set for May 2020. A Notice of Hearing will be mailed approximately 14 days prior to the hearing date indicating the exact date, time, and location.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
March 12, 2020

**STATE OF FLORIDA
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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 November 15, 2019, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On May 20, 2019, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections (“Division”), alleging that Pembroke Pines 2020 (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

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

3. By letter dated June 4, 2019, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provision:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because it had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting periods:

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| • 2018 P3 | • 2018 G2A |
| • 2018 P4 | • 2018 G7 |
| • 2018 P6 | • 2018 M11 |
| • 2018 G1 | • 2018 M12 |
| • 2018 G2 | |

4. By letter dated May 1, 2018, 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 2, page 1)

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

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

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

7. The *Political Committee Handbook* references the statutory requirement regarding written notification and directs political committees to notify the Division by way of the Division’s electronic filing system. (ROI Exhibit 3, page 4) 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 4, pages 3 & 4)

8. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed for the following reporting periods, as set forth in the table below. (ROI Exhibit 5, page 1)

Report	Report Cover Period	Date Notification Due	Date Notification Filed	No. of Days Late	Time Filed
2018 P3	07/14/18 – 07/20/18	07/27/18	07/28/18	1	12:41 AM
2018 P4	07/21/18 – 07/27/18	08/03/18	08/04/18	1	12:21 AM
2018 P6	08/04/18 – 08/10/18	08/17/18	08/18/18	1	2:03 AM
2018 G1	08/25/18 – 08/31/18	09/07/18	09/11/18	4	10:32 AM
2018 G2	09/08/18 – 09/14/18	09/21/18	09/22/18	1	4:01 PM
2018 G2A	09/15/18 – 09/21/18	09/28/18	09/29/18	1	12:01 AM
2018 G7	10/20/18 – 11/01/18	11/02/18	11/04/18	2	10:34 PM
2018 M11	11/02/18 – 11/30/18	12/10/18	01/11/19	32	1:25 AM
2018 M12	12/01/18 – 12/31/18	01/10/19	01/11/19	1	Unknown

9. Amy Rose, treasurer for Respondent, stated that the committee filed the notices of no activity within a day or two or in some cases within minutes of when they were due. (ROI Exhibit 6)

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 dates that no reports would be filed for the following reporting periods: 2018 P3, 2018 P4, 2018 P6, 2018 G1, 2018 G2, 2018 G2A, 2018 G7, 2018 M11, and 2018 M12.

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 July 27, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 P3 Report.

Count 2:

On or about August 3, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 P4 Report.

Count 3:

On or about August 17, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 P6 Report.

Count 4:

On or about September 7, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G1 Report.

Count 5:

On or about September 21, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G2 Report.

Count 6:

On or about September 28, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G2A Report.

Count 7:

On or about November 2, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 G7 Report.

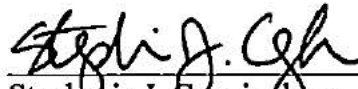
Count 8:

On or about December 10, 2018, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 M11 Report.

Count 9:

On or about January 10, 2019, Pembroke Pines 2020 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 2018 M12 Report.

Respectfully submitted on January 15, 2020.



Stephanie J. Cunningham
Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 15th day of January 2020.



Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Failure to Notify Filing Officer

Case Number: FEC 19-305

Respondent: Pembroke Pines 2020

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

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 6) was filed on April 27, 2018. (Ex. 1)

2. An acknowledgement letter was mailed to the address provided on Respondent's DS-DE 6 on May 1, 2018 advising 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. (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 *Political Committee Handbook* discusses filing a waiver when there is no activity to disclose on page 26. (Ex. 3)

5. Pages 12, 13, 45, and 46 of the *Political Committee 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, 2014, 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 chairman/treasurer PINS are entered as shown on pages 45 and 46.

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
2018 P3	07/14 – 07/20/18	07/27/18	07/28/18	1
2018 P4	07/21 – 07/27/18	08/03/18	08/04/18	1
2018 P6	08/04 – 08/10/18	08/17/18	08/18/18	1
2018 G1	08/25 – 08/31/18	09/07/18	09/11/18	4
2018 G2	09/08 – 09/14/18	09/21/18	09/22/18	1

2018 G2A	09/15 – 09/21/18	09/28/18	09/29/18	1
2018 G7	10/20 – 11/01/18	11/02/18	11/04/18	2
2018 M11	11/02 – 11/30/18	12/10/18	01/11/19	32
2018 M12	12/01 – 12/31/18	01/10/19	01/11/19	1

8. According to Respondent's filing history, a campaign report or a notification-of-no-activity was filed timely for each reporting period prior to the 2018 P3 reporting period. (Ex. 5)

9. Respondent's treasurer, Amy Rose, provided a written response to the referral. Ms. Rose acknowledged that reports were not filed on time but were eventually filed within a day or two of when they were due. (Ex. 6)

III. FEC History:

10. Respondent has not had any prior cases before the Commission. Respondent's treasurer, Amy Rose, was the chairperson and treasurer of Floridians for Accountability, an electioneering communications organization. The ECO was named as Respondent in FEC 16-039; no probable cause was found that the ECO violated Section 106.0703(1), Florida Statutes.

Conclusion:

11. Respondent's treasurer, Ms. Rose, has been provided with a letter from the Division of Elections on two occasions advising her that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on its website and to print Chapter 106, Florida Statutes and the *Political Committee Handbook*. (Ex. 2) and (Ex. 7)

12. The Investigative Phone Log is included with this report. (Ex. 8)

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR: Keitel Smith Date: 11/15/19

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Pembroke Pines 2020 -- FEC 19-305

LIST OF EXHIBITS	
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Exhibit 1	DS-DE 6
Exhibit 2	Ack ltr
Exhibit 3	Political Committee Handbook – Page 26
Exhibit 4	Political Committee EFS User's Guide – pgs. 12,13,45 and 46
Exhibit 5	R's filing history
Exhibit 6	Response from treasurer, Amy Rose
Exhibit 7	Ack ltr to Amy Rose in FEC 16-039
Exhibit 8	Phone Log

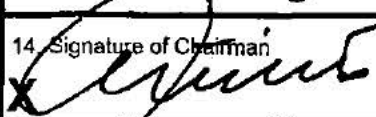
**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR
POLITICAL COMMITTEES**
(Sections 106.011(1) and 106.021(1), F.S.)

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CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Original Appointment of Treasurer Reappointment of Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

1. Committee or Organization Pembroke Pines 2020		2. Telephone (954) 593-8826	
3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer Amy Rose		4. Email (optional) amy@winontheground.com	
5. Telephone (optional) (954) 593-8826			
6. Mailing Address 3116 Coral Ridge Drive, Coral Springs, FL 33065			
7. Street Address 3116 Coral Ridge Drive, Coral Springs, FL 33065			
8. The following bank has been designated as the <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary Depository <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary Depository			
9. Name of Bank Bank of America		10. Street Address 3200 N. University Drive	
11. City Coral Springs		12. State Florida	13. Zip Code 33065
14. Signature of Chairman 		15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type) Angelo Castillo	

Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

I, Amy Rose, do hereby accept the appointment as
(Please Print or Type)
treasurer or deputy treasurer for Pembroke Pines 2020
(Committee or Organization)

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.

4/22/18 EXHIBIT Amy Rose
Date Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT of STATE

RICK SCOTT
Governor

KEN DETZNER
Secretary of State

May 1, 2018

Angelo Castillo, Chairperson
Pembroke Pines 2020
455 Southwest 200 Terrace
Pembroke Pines, Florida 33029

Dear Mr. Castillo:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Pembroke Pines 2020**, which were placed on file in our office on April 27, 2018. 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 **May 10, 2018**. The report will cover the period of April 1-30, 2018 (M4). 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. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's filing credentials.

EFS Website Address: <https://efs.dos.state.fl.us>
Identification Number: 71001

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

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Division of Elections

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Angelo Castillo, Chairperson
May 1, 2018
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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, 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 3 days and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each 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, 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 <http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: 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/zjs

Enclosures

EXHIBIT 2 (2 of 2)

pc: Amy Rose, Treasurer

2016 Political Committee Handbook

Florida Department of State
Division of Elections
R. A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250
850.245.6240

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(Rev. 01/27/2016)

Political Committee Handbook

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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 5 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. (See Chapter 12, Electronic Filing of Campaign Reports.)

(Sections 106.07, 106.0705
and 106.141, F.S.)

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), F.S.)

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. The political committee shall notify the filing officer in writing on or before the prescribed reporting date that no report is being filed on that date. 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.)

A notice of no activity filed with the Division must be filed electronically using the Division's electronic filing system.

(Section 106.0705, F.S.)

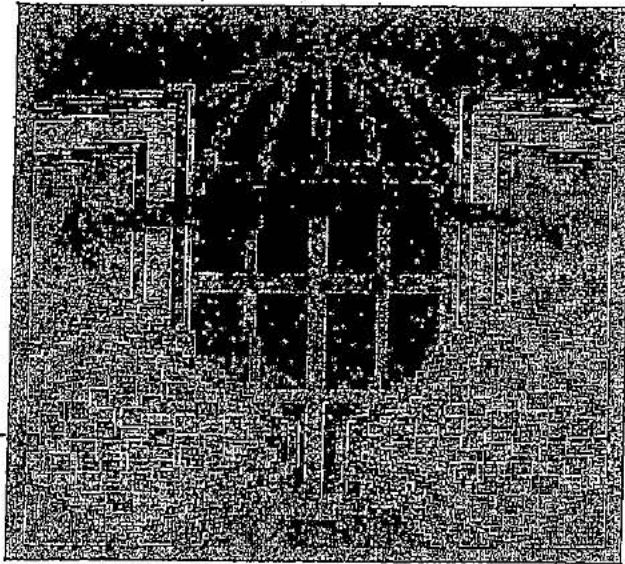
Special Election Reports

When a special election is called to fill a vacancy in office, all political committees making contributions or expenditures to influence the results of the special election shall file campaign treasurers' reports with the filing officer on the dates set by the Department of State pursuant to Section 100.111, F.S.

When an election is called for an issue to appear on the ballot at a time when no candidates are scheduled to appear on the ballot, all political committees making contributions or expenditures in support of or in opposition to such issue shall file reports on the 18th and 4th days prior to such election.

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Political Committee EFS User's Guide



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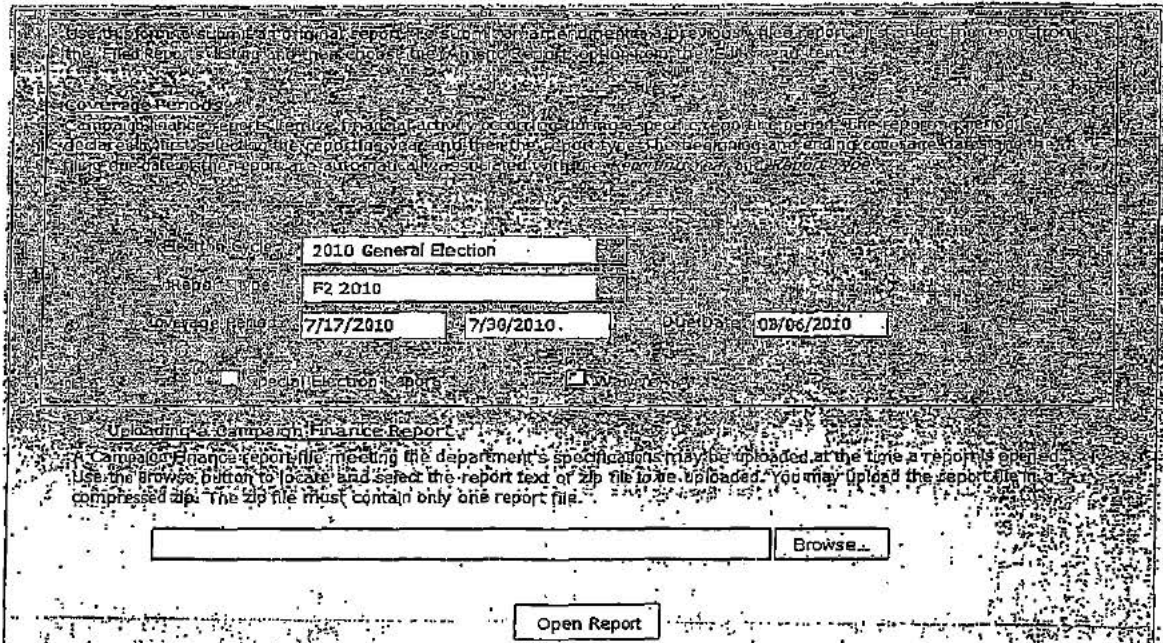
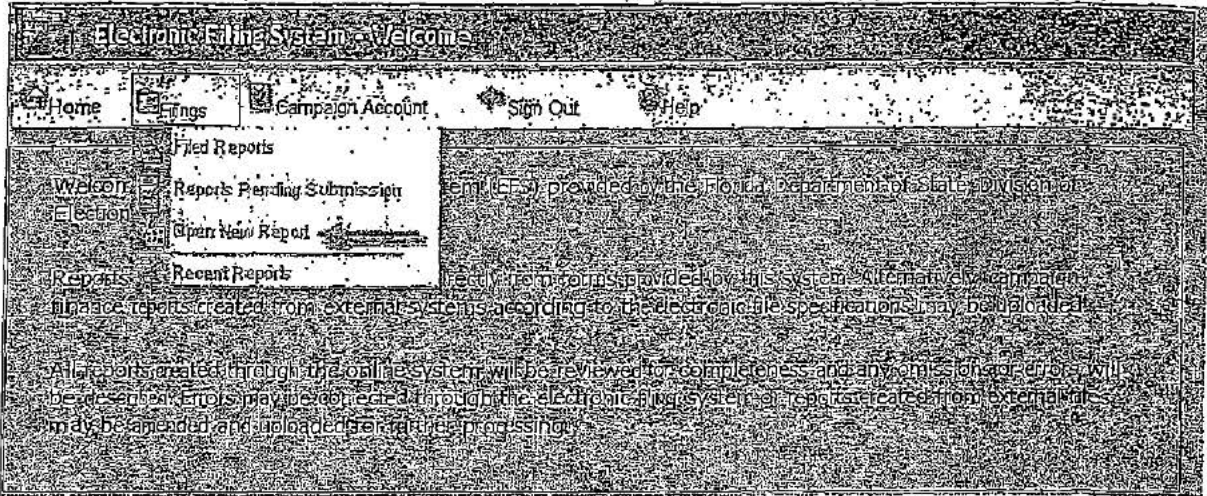
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Create a New Report by Data Entry

From the Welcome screen, click  and then .



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

Click  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.

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

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

*****NOTE*****

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

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.

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

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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 - 25 Coverage Period: 8/7/2010-8/19/2010 Due: 8/20/2010

Review Status: **Complete Detail Records**

Date Entry: Review: 8/19/2010 3:56:42 PM

Buttons: Review, Recalculate, Go To File Report, Append File, Delete Report, Save

Contributions	Total Amount	Transfers to Other Parties	Total Amount
Contributions	0.00	Transfers to Other Parties	0.00
Total Money	0.00	Other Transfers	0.00
In Kind	0.00		

Click on **Go To File Report**

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

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 - 25 Coverage Period: 8/7/2010-8/19/2010 Due: 8/20/2010

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Original Amended Waiver


PIN for Candidate/Chairperson: **Report Approved**

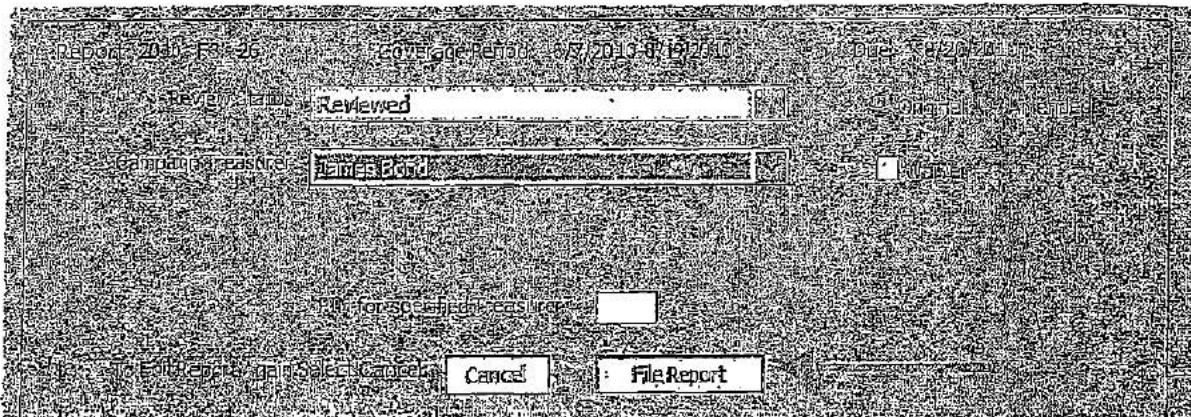
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If there is more than one treasurer, click on the drop down and select the treasurer that is filing the report.



Campaign Treasurer: James Bond

The treasurer enters his PIN and then clicks 



Report Year: 2010
Coverage Period: 9/7/2010-9/15/2010
Date: 8/20/2010
Review Status: Reviewed
Campaign Treasurer: James Bond
PIN for specified treasurer:
Buttons: Cancel, File Report

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.

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Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Name:

Pol Action Comm Name: Pembroke Pines 2020

Account: 71001

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
10/10/2019	M9	10/8/2019						
9/10/2019	M8	9/23/2019	CLO	13	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
8/12/2019	M7	8/13/2019	CLO	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7/10/2019	M6	7/10/2019						
6/10/2019	M5	7/9/2019	CLO	29	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5/10/2019	M4	5/10/2019						
4/10/2019	M3	4/10/2019						
3/11/2019	M2	3/11/2019						
2/11/2019	M1	2/11/2019						
1/10/2019	M12	1/11/2019	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
12/10/2018	M11	1/11/2019	FEC	32	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
11/2/2018	G7	11/4/2018	FEC	2	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
11/1/2018	D6	10/31/2018						
10/31/2018	D5	10/31/2018						
10/30/2018	D4	10/29/2018						
10/29/2018	D3	10/29/2018						
10/28/2018	D2	10/27/2018						
10/27/2018	D1	10/27/2018						
10/26/2018	G6	10/19/2018						
10/25/2018	G4	10/5/2018						
10/19/2018	G5	10/19/2018						
10/5/2018	G3	10/5/2018						
9/28/2018	G2A	9/29/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
9/21/2018	G2	9/22/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
9/14/2018	G1A	9/11/2018						
9/7/2018	G1	9/11/2018	FEC	4	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
8/31/2018	P7A	8/31/2018						
8/24/2018	P7	8/24/2018						
8/17/2018	P6	8/18/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
8/10/2018	P5	8/10/2018						
8/3/2018	P4	8/4/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7/27/2018	P3	7/28/2018	FEC	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7/20/2018	P2A	7/20/2018						
7/13/2018	P2	7/13/2018						
7/6/2018	P1A	7/6/2018						
6/29/2018	P1	6/29/2018						
6/11/2018	M5	6/11/2018						
5/10/2018	M4	5/10/2018						

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**Florida Department of State
Division of Elections**

Pembroke Pines 2020

Campaign Finance Activity

Note: The information presented below was obtained from the Committee's/Candidate's Campaign Treasurer's Report filed with the Division of Elections. About the Campaign Finance Data Base. If all contributions for a reporting period are less than 1 dollar Then they may not be displayed.

Contributions							
Filing Period	Monetary	Loans	InKind	Expend	Other	Transfers	
W 04/17/2018 - 04/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
○ 05/01/2018 - 05/31/2018	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
○ 06/01/2018 - 06/22/2018	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 06/23/2018 - 06/29/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
○ 06/30/2018 - 07/06/2018	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 07/07/2018 - 07/13/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 07/14/2018 - 07/20/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 07/21/2018 - 07/27/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 07/28/2018 - 08/03/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 08/04/2018 - 08/10/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 08/11/2018 - 08/23/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 08/24/2018 - 08/24/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 08/25/2018 - 08/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 09/01/2018 - 09/07/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 09/08/2018 - 09/14/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W 09/15/2018 - 09/21/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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	09/22/2018 - 09/28/2018						
W	09/29/2018 - 10/05/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/06/2018 - 10/12/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/13/2018 - 10/19/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/20/2018 - 10/26/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/27/2018 - 10/27/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/28/2018 - 10/28/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/29/2018 - 10/29/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/30/2018 - 10/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/31/2018 - 10/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/20/2018 - 11/01/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	11/02/2018 - 11/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	12/01/2018 - 12/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	01/01/2019 - 01/31/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	02/01/2019 - 02/28/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	03/01/2019 - 03/31/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	04/01/2019 - 04/30/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	05/01/2019 - 05/31/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
○	06/01/2019 - 06/30/2019	33,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/01/2019 - 07/31/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/01/2019 - 08/31/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/01/2019 - 09/30/2019	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
⊙	All Dates (Totals)	37,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Note: (E) indicates that report was filed electronically

X Indicates that detail has not been released

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

EXHIBIT 5 (3 of 3)



Attn: Molly Donovan
Amy Rose to: fec

05/28/2019 12:57 PM

From: "Amy Rose" <Amy@winontheground.com>
To: fec@myfloridalegal.com

Case No.: FEC 19-305

Ms. Donovan:

Today I received a package from your office stating there was the possibility a committee which I serve as the treasurer for could have violated election laws. In response I have reviewed the attachments provided which show there were several times during 2018 which the treasurer's reports were not filed on time. At this time all of those reports have been filed. They were all accurately filed as waivers showing there was no activity (receipts or expenditures) during that time period.

As you can see those waivers were all filed within a day or 2 of when they were due, in some cases even within minutes. Because all of this took place many months ago and was taken care of then, there isn't anything else I can do to rectify it now, however I did want to respond to let you know that information.

Thank you for your time.

Amy Rose
Treasurer, Pembroke Pines 2020

—
Amy Rose
954-593-8826
amy@winontheground.com

EXHIBIT 6



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

CHARLIE CRIST
Governor

DAWN K. ROBERTS
Interim Secretary of State

August 6, 2010

Ms. Amy Rose, Chairperson
Floridians for Accountability
4505 West Atlantic Boulevard #1611
Coconut Creek, Florida 33066

Dear Ms. Rose:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Application for Certification for **Floridians for Accountability**, which was placed on file in our office on August 5, 2010. This information appears to comply with the requirements of Sections 106.011 and 106.03, Florida Statutes, and the name of this organization has been placed on the active list as an electioneering communication organization.

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the organization's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the organization's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on.

EFS Web site Address: <https://efs.dos.state.fl.us>
Identification Number: 54592

Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update personal information. Each treasurer's report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath by the treasurer and such person is subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes. The enclosed sealed envelope contains your confidential pin numbers. The treasurer is responsible for protecting these credentials from disclosure and is responsible for all filings using these credentials unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

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R. A. Gray Building, Room 316 • 500 South Bronough Street • Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250
Telephone: (850) 245-6240 • Facsimile: (850) 245-6260
election.dos.state.fl.us

Ms. Amy Rose
August 6, 2010
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Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Pursuant to Section 106.0703, Florida Statutes, **within two days** after receiving your credentials, the organization must file the periodic finance reports that would have been required pursuant to Section 106.07, Florida Statutes, for reportable activities that occurred since November 4, 2008. **This includes the 2008 Q4, 2009 Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, and 2010 Q1, F1 and F2 reports.**

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

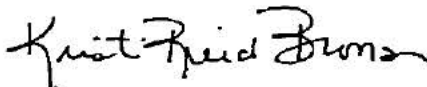
Instructions and Assistance

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://election.dos.state.fl.us>. 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, 2010 Electioneering Communications Organization Handbook, 2010 Calendar of Reporting Dates and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

KRB/jmc

Enclosures

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**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 19-305**

Respondent: Pembroke Pines 2020

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** 09/09/19 @ 9:22 a.m.
Name: Amy Rose - Treasurer
Phone #: 954-593-8826
Summary: I called and spoke with Ms. Rose relative to the referral from the Division concerning a number of reports that were not timely filed. I explained the option of a minor-violation consent order as well as the investigative process. Ms. Rose said that in order to end the matter she would accept the MVCO. When asked, she offered her e-mail address as, amy@winontheground.com.
Memo to File? No
Entered by: KS

2. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:

3. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:

4. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:

5. **Date and time:**
Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Memo to File? No
Entered by:

6. **Date and time:**

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

107 W. Gaines Street
Collins Building, Suite 224
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050
(850) 922-4539

www.fec.state.fl.us; fec@myfloridalegal.com

June 4, 2019

Angelo Castillo, Chair
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065

RE: Case No.: FEC 19-305; Respondent: Pembroke Pines 2020

Dear Mr. Castillo:

On May 20, 2019, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that your committee violated Florida's election laws. I have reviewed the complaint and find that it contains one or more legally sufficient allegations. The Commission staff will investigate the following alleged violation(s):

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because it had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting periods:

- 2018 P3
- 2018 P4
- 2018 P6
- 2018 G1
- 2018 G2
- 2018 G2A
- 2018 G7
- 2018 M11
- 2018 M12

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 \$450, 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.

Pembroke Pine 2020

June 4, 2019

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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.

Please contact Stephanie Cunningham at 850-922-4539, or at the address listed above, to accept this minor violation consent order offer.

If you choose not to resolve the case by consent order, an investigation will be conducted, and then the Commission will hold one or more hearings to determine whether the alleged violation(s) occurred and, if so, the amount of the fine to be imposed upon you. For more information, please see our FAQs available at <http://www.fec.state.fl.us>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Vaccaro". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "T" and a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

TV/med



Attn: Molly Donovan
Amy Rose to: fec

05/28/2019 12:57 PM

From: "Amy Rose" <Amy@winontheground.com>
To: fec@myfloridalegal.com

Case No.: FEC 19-305

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Amy Rose
Treasurer, Pembroke Pines 2020

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Amy Rose
954-593-8826
amy@winontheground.com

**DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
FEC NOTICE FORM**

To FEC from Division of Elections

Name:	Pembroke Pines 2020
Account Number:	71001
Chairperson:	Angelo Castillo
Treasurer:	Amy Rose
Registered Agent:	Angelo Castillo

The Division of Elections hereby provides this notice to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to Sections 106.07(8)(d), 106.22(7), and 106.25(2), Florida Statutes. An apparent violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, has occurred based upon repeated late filings or failure to file notifications to the filing officer in writing that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date under s. 106.07(7).

2018 P3

2018 P4

2018 P6

2018 G1

2018 G2

2018 G2A

2018 G7

2018 M11

2018 M12

- Pembroke Pines 2020 (71001) is a political committee registered with the Division. On April 27, 2018, Angelo Castillo filed the DSDE 5 and 6 with the Division of Elections indicating that he was the chairperson and Amy Rose was the treasurer for the committee.
- The 2018 P3 campaign treasurer's report was due on July 27, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on July 28, 2018. (See attached file receipt and letter.)

- The 2018 P4 campaign treasurer's report was due on August 3, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on August 4, 2018. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2018 P6 campaign treasurer's report was due on August 17, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on August 18, 2018. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2018 G1 campaign treasurer's report was due on September 7, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on September 11, 2018. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2018 G2 campaign treasurer's report was due on September 21, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on September 22, 2018. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2018 G2A campaign treasurer's report was due on September 28, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on September 29, 2018. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2018 G7 campaign treasurer's report was due on November 2, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on November 4, 2018. (See attached file receipt.)
- The 2018 M11 campaign treasurer's report was due on December 10, 2018. Ms. Rose failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. Ms. Rose filed a notification of no activity on January 11, 2019. (See attached file receipt.)

Sent By: Kristi Reid Willis
Date: May 16, 2019 *KRW*
jcs

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - P3 - 7

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:03:20 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 7/14/2018-7/20/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 7/27/2018

Filed: **7/28/2018 12:41:10 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **7/28/2018**

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

August 6, 2018

Amy Rose, Treasurer
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065-3065

PAC 71001

Dear Ms. Rose:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of July 27, 2018, was not filed until July 28, 2018. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

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

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Angelo Castillo, Chairperson

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - P4 - 8

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:04:34 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 7/21/2018-7/27/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 8/3/2018

Filed: **8/4/2018 12:21:31 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **8/4/2018**

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

August 22, 2018

Amy Rose, Treasurer
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065-3065

PAC 71001

Dear Ms. Rose:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of August 3, 2018, was not filed until August 4, 2018. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

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

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Angelo Castillo, Chairperson

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - P6 - 10

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:05:59 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 8/4/2018-8/10/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 8/17/2018

Filed: **8/18/2018 2:03:46 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **8/18/2018**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Number of Detail Records

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 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

September 5, 2018

Amy Rose, Treasurer
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065-3065

PAC 71001

Dear Ms. Rose:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of August 17, 2018, was not filed until August 18, 2018. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

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

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Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Angelo Castillo, Chairperson



Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - G1 - 13

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:10:27 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 8/25/2018-8/31/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 9/7/2018

Filed: **9/11/2018 10:32:19 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **9/11/2018**

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

September 26, 2018

Amy Rose, Treasurer
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065-3065

PAC 71001

Dear Ms. Rose:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of September 7, 2018, was not filed until September 11, 2018. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristi Reid Willis".

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Angelo Castillo, Chairperson

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - G2 - 15

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:12:52 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 9/8/2018-9/14/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 9/21/2018

Filed: **9/22/2018 4:01:26 PM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **9/22/2018**

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

October 1, 2018

Amy Rose, Treasurer
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065-3065

PAC 71001

Dear Ms. Rose:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of September 21, 2018, was not filed until September 22, 2018. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

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

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Angelo Castillo, Chairperson

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - G2A - 16

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:14:29 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 9/15/2018-9/21/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 9/28/2018

Filed: **9/29/2018 12:01:39 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **9/29/2018**

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

October 22, 2018

Amy Rose, Treasurer
Pembroke Pines 2020
3116 Coral Ridge Drive
Coral Springs, FL 33065-3065

PAC 71001

Dear Ms. Rose:

The notification that you had no reportable activity for the report deadline of September 28, 2018, was not filed until September 29, 2018. Although the notification is late, no automatic fine is assessed because you had no receipts or expenditures during this reporting period.

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

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Kristi Reid Willis, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

cc: Angelo Castillo, Chairperson

 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - G7 - 23

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:15:54 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 10/20/2018-11/1/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 11/2/2018

Filed: **11/4/2018 10:34:17 PM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **10/29/2018**

Review Status: **Reviewed**

Detail Complete: **No Detail Records Found**

File Method: Web Filed

Entry Method: Web Data Entry

Pending Queued Items: **0**

Number of Detail Records

Contributions: 0

Expenditures: 0

Fund Transfers: 0

Distributions: 0

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 Treasurer Report Status

ID: **71001** Name: **Pembroke Pines 2020**

Report: 2018 - M11 - 28

Print Date: **5/15/2019 4:16:41 PM**

Election: 2018 General Election

Covers: 11/2/2018-11/30/2018

Amended Waiver

Due: 12/10/2018

Filed: **1/11/2019 1:25:55 AM**

File Status: **Filed Report**

Reviewed: **1/11/2019**

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

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