STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Mary Estime-Irvin

TO: Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131st Street North Miami Beach, FL 33161-4529

Case No.: FEC 16-581

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, March 13, 2018 at 8:30 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: Augustus B. Turnbull Conference Center, 555 West Pensacola Street, Room 103, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of your right to participate in the hearing. Continuances will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

This hearing will be conducted pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, which governs your participation as follows:

If you are the Respondent, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have 5 *minutes* to present your case to the Commission. However, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless you request to be heard or the Commission requests that your case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, your case will *not* be individually heard.

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If you are an Appellant, and you have requested a hearing, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have 5 *minutes* to present your case to the Commission.

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If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs at (850) 922-4539 or by mail at 107 West Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at least 5 days before the hearing.

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<u>Amy McKeever Toman</u>

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission February 26, 2018 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

If this is a hearing to consider **an appeal from an automatic fine**, the Filing Officer has imposed a fine on you for your failure to file a campaign treasurer's report on the designated due date and, by filing an appeal, you have asked the Commission to consider either (1) that the report was in fact timely filed; or (2) that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure to file the report timely. You are required to prove your case. If the Commission finds that the report was filed timely or that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failer, in whole or in part. The Commission may reduce a fine after considering the factors in Section 106.265, Florida Statutes. If the Commission finds that the report was not timely filed and there were no unusual circumstances, the fine will be upheld.

If this is a hearing to consider a **consent order before a determination of probable cause has been made**, the Commission will decide whether to accept or reject the consent order. If the Commission accepts the consent order, the case will be closed and become public. If the Commission rejects the consent order or does not make a decision to accept or deny the consent order, the case will remain confidential, unless confidentiality has been waived.

If this is a hearing to consider a **consent order after a determination of probable cause has been made**, the Commission will decide whether to accept or reject the consent order. If the Commission accepts the consent order, the case will be closed. If the Commission rejects the consent order or does not make a decision to accept or deny the consent order, the Respondent will be entitled to another hearing to determine if the Respondent committed the violation(s) alleged.

If this is a **probable cause hearing**, the Commission will decide if there is probable cause to believe that the Respondent committed a violation of Florida's election laws. Respondent should be prepared to explain how the staff in its recommendation incorrectly applied the law to the facts of the case. *Respondent may not testify, call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence at the probable cause hearing.* The Commission will only decide whether Respondent should be *charged* with a violation and, before the Commission determines whether a violation has occurred or a fine should be imposed, Respondent will have an opportunity for another hearing at which evidence may be introduced.

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Respondent may argue why the established facts in the Staff Recommendation do not support the violations charged in the Order of Probable Cause. At Respondent's request, the Commission may determine whether Respondent's actions in the case were willful. The Respondent may also address the appropriateness of the recommended fine. If Respondent claims that his limited resources make him unable to pay the statutory fine, *he must provide the Commission with written proof of his financial resources* at the hearing. A financial affidavit form is available from the Commission Clerk.

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STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

Case No.: FEC 16-581

Mary Estimé-Irvin, Respondent.

v.

ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 28, 2017, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On August 29, 2017, 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 September 29, 2016, Respondent violated Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes, when Respondent failed to file an addendum to her 2016 P1 Report within seven days of receiving notice from the filing officer that her 2016 P1 Report was incomplete.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on November 28, 2017.

M. Scott Thomas, Chairman

M. Scott Thomas, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to: Eric M. Lipman, General Counsel Mary Estimé-Irvin, Respondent Division of Elections, Complainant

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

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

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

Third, you may request a <u>formal hearing</u> held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 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 righthand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you.

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

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

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NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **November 28, 2017 at 10:00 am**, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: **412 Knott Building, Pat Thomas Committee Room, 404 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.**

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Case No.: FEC 16-581

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned 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(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes**. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on August 11, 2017, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On October 18, 2016, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Division of Elections ("Division") alleging Mary Estime-Irvin ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent was a candidate for State Representative, District 107, in the 2016 election. Respondent's Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form ("DS-DE 9") was filed with the Division on October 2, 2015. Respondent appointed herself as her campaign treasurer. (ROI Exhibit 1)¹

3. By letter dated May 25, 2017, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following alleged violation:

Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for the office of State Representative, acting as her own treasurer, failed to timely make necessary amendments to the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report, as alleged in the complaint.

4. By letter dated October 5, 2015, Kristi Reid Bronson, Division of Elections, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, notified Respondent that her name had been placed on the 2016 active candidate list. The letter advised Respondent that all candidates who file reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system ("EFS") and provided Respondent with a user identification number and initial password to access the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1)²

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

² Kristi Reid Bronson is now known as Kristi Willis.

5. Ms. Bronson's October 5, 2015 letter further advised Respondent that all the Division's publications and reporting forms were available on the Division's website and directed Respondent to print a copy of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, and the *Calendar of Reporting Dates*. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 3)

6. Respondent's 2016 P1 Report covering the dates of June 1, 2016, through June 24, 2016, was due on July 1, 2016. Respondent filed a 2016 P1 Report on July 11, 2016, however, it was incomplete. (Attachments A and B)

7. On July 28, 2016, the Division sent notification to Respondent that her 2016 P1 Report was incomplete and Respondent had seven days from receipt of the notice to correct the errors on the attached Error Report and file an amended 2016 P1 Report. The letter also stated that if the information was reported accurately, Respondent should provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issues noted in the Error Report. (ROI Exhibit 3)³

8. On August 15, 2016, the Division sent notification to Respondent that her 2016 P1 Report was incomplete and Respondent had seven days from receipt of the notice to correct the errors on the attached Error Report and file an amended 2016 P1 Report. (ROI Exhibit 4)

9. On September 20, 2016, the Division sent a "Final Notice" to Respondent notifying her that her 2016 P1 Report remained incomplete and Respondent had seven days from receipt of the notice to correct the errors on the attached Error Report and file an amended 2016 P1 Report. The letter also stated that if the information was reported accurately, Respondent should provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issues noted in the Error Report. The Division's September 20, 2016 letter was confirmed delivered on September 22, 2016. (ROI Exhibit 5)

10. As of August 7, 2017, Respondent has failed to correct the errors identified by the Division and file an amended 2016 P1 Report. (ROI Exhibit 6)

11. Investigator Spore attempted to contact Respondent three times at the phone number Respondent listed on her DS-DE-9. On two occasions, Investigator Spore received a message that the phone number was not accepting incoming calls. On the third occasion, Investigator Spore began to leave a message and before she could finish, she heard a beep and click that sounded like the voicemail had stopped recording. (Attachment C)

12. Based upon the information above, it appears Respondent failed to file an amended 2016 P1 Report correcting errors identified by the Division on her 2016 P1 Report within seven days of receiving notification that the report was incomplete.

³ Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Fla. Stat. does not require a campaign treasurer to provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issues noted in an Error Report if the information was reported accurately.

13. "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).

14. The above facts show Respondent was a candidate for State Representative, District 107, in the 2016 election. Respondent filed her 2016 P1 Report on July 11, 2016, however, it was incomplete. On July 28, 2016, August 15, 2016, and September 20, 2016, the Division sent a letter notifying Respondent that her 2016 P1 Report was incomplete and that she had seven days from receipt of the notification to correct the errors and file an amended 2016 P1 Report. The Division's September 20, 2016 notification was confirmed delivered on September 22, 2016. As of August 7, 2017, Respondent has failed to file an amended 2016 P1 Report correcting the errors identified by the Division.

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

Count 1:

On or about September 29, 2016, Respondent violated Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes, when Respondent failed to file an addendum to her 2016 P1 Report within seven days of receiving notice from the filing officer that her 2016 P1 Report was incomplete.

Respectfully submitted August 29, 2017,

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Eric M. Lipman General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this $2 \frac{211}{200}$ day of August 2017.

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

Calendar of Reporting Dates

for 2016 Candidates registered with the Division of Elections

Cover Period	Report Code	Due Date
12/01/15 - 12/31/15	2015 M12	01/11/16
01/01/16 - 01/31/16	2016 M1	02/10/16
02/01/16 - 02/29/16	2016 M2	03/10/16
03/01/16 - 03/31/16	2016 M3	04/11/16
04/01/16 - 04/30/16	2016 M4	05/10/16
05/01/16 - 05/31/16	2016 M5	06/10/16
		
06/01/16 - 06/24/16	2016 P1	07/01/16
06/25/16 - 07/08/16	2016 P2	07/15/16
07/09/16 - 07/22/16	2016 P3	07/29/16
07/23/16 - 07/29/16	2016 P4	08/05/16
07/30/16 - 08/05/16	2016 P5	08/12/16
08/06/16 - 08/12/16	2016 P6	08/19/16
08/13/16 - 08/25/16	2016 P7	08/26/16
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09/03/16 - 09/16/16	2016 G2	09/23/16
09/17/16 - 09/30/16	2016 G3	10/07/16
10/01/16 - 10/07/16	2016 G4	10/14/16
10/08/16 - 10/14/16	2016 G5	10/21/16
10/15/16 - 10/21/16	2016 G6	10/28/16
10/22/16 - 11/03/16	2016 G7	11/04/16

Termination Reports

Cover Period	Report Code	Due Date
After May Qualifying	TR	08/04/16
After June Qualifying	TR	09/22/16
Primary Election	TR	11/28/16
General Election	TR	02/06/17

ATTACHMENT A

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Florida Election System Reports Candidate/Committee Lookup

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Candidate	Name:	Mary	Estime-Irvin
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Acct:	64957	8/26/2016	P7		FEC	0	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Type:	Candidate v	8/19/2016	P6	8/19/2016						
		8/12/2016	P5	8/12/2016						
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		6/10/2016	M5	6/8/2016						
		5/10/2016	M4	5/11/2016	NEN	1	\$7.50		\$7.50	\$0.00
		4/11/2016	M3	4/11/2016						
		3/10/2016	M2	4/6/2016	DFS	27	\$425.91		\$425.91	\$0.00
		2/10/2016	M1	2/11/2016	DFS	1	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00
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ATTACHMENT B

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 16-581

Respondent: Mary Estimé-Irvin **Complainant:** Division of Elections

 Date and time: 06/29/17-10:20 AM Name: Respondent Phone #: 305-709-7936
 Summary: I attempted to call Respondent on the number listed on the DS-DE 9 form, however, I reached a recording stating the number was not accepting incoming calls at this time. There was no way to leave a voicemail message. Memo to File? No Entered by: S. Spore

- 2. Date and time: 8/1/17- 2:17 PM Name: Respondent
 Phone #: 305-709-7936
 Summary: I called Respondent on the number listed on the DS-DE 9 form. I reached a generic voicemail box, and left a message, asking Respondent to return my call, leaving my name and telephone number. As I was repeating the telephone number a second time, I heard a beep and click, and it sounded as if the voicemail service had stopped recording. Memo to File? No Entered by: S. Spore
- Date and time: 8/7/17-3:48 PM
 Name: Respondent
 Phone #: 305-709-7936
 Summary: I attempted to call Respondent on the number listed on the DS-DE 9 form again, however, I again reached the recording stating the number I had dialed was not accepting incoming calls.

Memo to File? No Entered by: S. Spore

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

ATTACHMENT C





FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Case No.: FEC 16-581

Respondent: Mary Estimé-Irvin

Complainant: Division of Elections

On October 18, 2016, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Division of Elections alleging that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. Commission staff investigated whether Respondent violated the following statute:

Section 106.07(2)(b)1, Florida Statutes, failure to timely make necessary amendments to the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report.

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent was a candidate in 2016 for the office of State Representative, District 107. Respondent received 34.76% of the vote in the Democratic primary election, to finish second in a field of two candidates.

2. Complainant is the Division of Elections (Division).

3. Respondent's filing officer is Kristi Willis, Chief, Bureau of Election Records.

II. Alleged Violation of Section 106.07(2)(b)1, Florida Statutes:

4. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by failing to timely make necessary amendments to a 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report.

5. On October 2, 2015, Respondent filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 9 form) with the Division. Respondent appointed herself as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 9 form, refer to Exhibit 1.

6. On October 5, 2015, Complainant mailed Respondent a letter acknowledging receipt of the DS-DE 9 form, and informing her that her name had been placed on the 2016 active candidate list. To view a copy of the October 5, 2015 acknowledgment letter, refer to Exhibit 2.

7. On July 28, 2016, the Division mailed Respondent notification that the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report was incomplete. This letter was sent to the address Respondent provided on her DS-DE 9 form; Exhibit 1. Attached to the notification letter was a copy of the detailed error report. To review a copy of the July 28, 2016 notification letter and error report, refer to Exhibit 3.

8. On August 15, 2016, the Division mailed Respondent a second notification that the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report was incomplete. This letter was sent to the address Respondent provided on her DS-DE 9 form; Exhibit 1. Attached to the notification was a copy of the detailed error report. To review a copy of the August 15, 2016 notification letter and error report, refer to Exhibit 4.

9. On September 20, 2016, the Division mailed Respondent a certified letter titled "Final Notice" informing her that the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report was incomplete, and included a delivery confirmation receipt. This letter was also sent to the address Respondent provided on her DS-DE 9 form; Exhibit 1. Attached to the final notice letter was a copy of the detailed error report. To review a copy of the September 20, 2016 final notice letter with delivery confirmation, refer to Exhibit 5.

10. An e-mail was sent to the Division on August 1, 2017, asking if Respondent had satisfactorily amended the 2016 P5 campaign treasurer's report. An e-mail was sent from the Division on August 7, 2017. Ms. Kristi Willis typed "No", in the original e-mail asking if Respondent had satisfactorily amended the 2016 P5 report. To review the August 7, 2017 e-mail, refer to Exhibit 6.

IV. FEC History:

11. Respondent has had multiple automatic-fine cases before the Florida Elections Commission (Commission). In the matter of <u>FEC 16-085</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$100.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-175</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-176</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$425.91, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-536</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$586.25, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order. In the matter of <u>FEC 16-578</u>, the Commission upheld the automatic-fine of \$50.00, and issued a default final order.

Conclusion:

12. Respondent was offered several opportunities to make comments regarding the findings of this investigation. Respondent has not returned telephone calls. A questionnaire-affidavit was returned by the post office, stating there was "no such number", however, other correspondence was successfully delivered to the address on file. I am unable to ascertain whether she has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and/or the Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook.

13. In the October 5, 2015 acknowledgment letter, Respondent was informed that all of the Division's publications were available online at the Division's website. In the letter, Respondent was admonished as follows: It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida

Administrative Code; Exhibit 2.

14. On October 2, 2015, Respondent filed her Statement of Candidate for Florida State Representative, District 107 acknowledging that she had been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. To view a copy of the Statement of Candidate, refer to Exhibit 7.

Respectfully submitted on August 11, 2017.

Samantha Spore Investigation Specialist

Current address of Respondent

Ms. Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131st Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529

Current address of Complainant

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

Name and Address of Filing Officer:

Ms. Kristi Reid-Bronson Chief of Bureau of Election Records 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

Copy furnished to: Mr. David Flagg, Investigations Manager

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION **REPORT OF INVESTIGATION** Mary Estimé-Irvin -- FEC 16-581

LIST OF EXHIBITS				
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Exhibit 3	July 28, 2016 Notification			
Exhibit 4	August 15, 2016 Notification			
Exhibit 5	September 20, 2016 Certified Letter with Delivery Confirmation			
Exhibit 6	August 7, 2017 E-mail			
Exhibit 7	October 2, 2016 Statement of Candidate			

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

October 5, 2015

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, Florida 33261

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvine:

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 October 2, 2015. Your name has been placed on the 2016 active candidate list.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on November 10, 2015. The report will cover the period of October 1-31, 2015 (M10). 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 Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 64957



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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 total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for 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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Mary Estime-Irvin October 5, 2015 Page Three

Instructions and Assistance

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

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

July 28, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Re: CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

The Division of Elections has determined that one or more campaign reports are incomplete for the reasons noted in the attached error report.

Pursuant to Section 106.07(2), Florida Statutes, you have 7 days from receipt of this notice to file an amended report to correct errors or provide missing information. If the information has been reported accurately, provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issue noted in the error report. Please be advised that failure to supply this information within the time allowed may constitute a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

If you need assistance in filing an amendment, please contact the Division's help line at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson Chief, Bureau of Election Records

Attachment

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

August 15, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Re: CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

On July 28, 2016, you were advised that one or more of your campaign treasurer's reports were incomplete and that you had 7 days to provide the requested information.

The Division's electronic filing system indicates that the required information has not been provided. Pursuant to Section 106.22, Florida Statutes, the Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of the failure to provide information required by Chapter 106. Accordingly, if the information requested in our prior notice is not received within 7 days of receipt of this letter, we will refer this matter to the Commission. A second copy of the error report is attached for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Krist Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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September 20, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Re: CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

You have previously been advised that one or more campaign treasurer's reports are incomplete for the reasons noted in the attached error report.

Pursuant to Section 106.07(2), Florida Statutes, you have 7 days from receipt of this letter to correct errors or provide missing information. If the information has been reported accurately, you must provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issue noted in the error report. Please be advised that if you fail to comply with this request, the Division will forward this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation.

If you need assistance in filing an amendment, please contact the Division's help line at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson Chief, Bureau of Election Records

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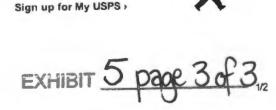
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RE: Questions on FEC 16-522 and 16-581 Willis, Kristi R. to: Samantha Spore 08/07/2017 03:07 PM Hide Details

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From: Samantha Spore [mailto:Samantha.Spore@myfloridalegal.com] Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 3:02 PM To: Willis, Kristi R. <Kristi.Willis@DOS.MyFlorida.com> Subject: Questions on FEC 16-522 and 16-581

Good Afternoon!

This email is in regards to Ms. Mary Estime-Irvin (64957).

In regards to FEC 16-522: Has Ms. Estime-Irvin satisfactorily amended the 2016 P5 report? NO

In regards to FEC 16-581: Has Ms. Estime-Irvin satisfactorily amended the 2016 P1 report? NO

Any information you could give me would be very helpful!

Thank you for your assistance! Samantha

Samantha Spore

Investigation Specialist Florida Elections Commission The Collins Building, Ste. 224 107 West Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 <u>samantha.spore@myfloridalegal.com</u> PH: 850-922-4539 extension 110 Fax: 850-921-0783 www.fec.state.fl.us

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

May 25, 2017

Mary Estime-Irvin 155 NE 131st Street North Miami, FL 33161-4529

RE: Case No.: FEC 16-581; Respondent: Mary Estime-Irvin

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

On October 18, 2016, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws. I have reviewed the complaint and find that it contains one or more legally sufficient allegations. The Commission staff will investigate the following alleged violations:

Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes: Respondent, a 2016 candidate for the office of State Representative, acting as her own treasurer, failed to timely make necessary amendments to the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report, as alleged in the complaint.

When we conclude the investigation, a copy of the Report of Investigation (ROI) will be mailed to you at the above address. Based on the results of the investigation, a staff attorney will make a written recommendation (Staff Recommendation or SR) to the Commission as to whether there is probable cause to charge respondent with violating Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will have an opportunity to respond to both the ROI and the SR. The Commission will then hold one or more hearings to determine whether the alleged violations occurred and, if so, the amount of the fine to be imposed. You and the complainant will receive notice at least 14 days before any hearing at which your case is to be considered.

Please note that all documents related to this matter will be mailed to the above address unless you **notify us of a new address**. Also, please remember that complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes, are **confidential** until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause.

For additional information, please refer to the "Frequently Asked Questions" section of the Commission's website (<u>www.fec.state.fl.us</u>). If you have additional questions, please contact **Samantha Spore**, the investigator assigned to this case.

Sincerely, Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC NOTICE FORM

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To FEC from Division of Elections

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ELECTIONE COMMISSION

Name:Mary Estime-IrvinAccount Number:64957Candidate:Mary Estime-IrvinTreasurer:Mary Estime-IrvinPerson Named/Notified:Mary Estime-Irvin

The Division of Elections hereby provides this notice to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to sections 106.22(7) and 106.25, Florida Statutes. An apparent violation of Chapter 106, F.S., has occurred based upon a failure to file addendums after notice as required by section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes, for the following report(s):

2016 P1

Sent By:Kristi Reid BronsonDate:October 14, 2016

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STATE OF FLORIDA

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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.
- 2. This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge, including information obtained from review of the attached records, of which I am the custodian.
- 3. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.
- 4. Mary Estime-Irvin (64957) was a 2016 candidate for the office of State Representative.
- 5. On October 2, 2015, Ms. Estime-Irvin filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository with the Division. She appointed herself as treasurer. (See attached documents and acknowledgment letter.)
- 6. On July 28, 2016, the Division mailed Ms. Estime-Irvin notification that the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report was incomplete. (See attached letter.)
- 7. On August 15, 2016, the Division mailed Ms. Estime-Irvin notification that the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report was incomplete. (See attached letter.)
- 8. On September 20, 2016, the Division mailed Ms. Estime-Irvin final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report was incomplete. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)

9. As of October 14, 2016, the 2016 P1 campaign treasurer's report remains incomplete.

I hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 14th day of October, 2016.

Signature of Notary Public - State of Blorida

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STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE (Section 106.023, F.S.) (Please print or type)	OFFICE USE ONLY RECEIVEL 2015 OCT -2 AM 9:49
I, Mary Estime-Irvin	,
candidate for the office of State Repre	sentative, District 107 ;
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Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.	
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Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation failure to file this form is a first degree misde	he qualifying officer within 10 days after the gnation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful emeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign o \$1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

October 5, 2015

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, Florida 33261

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvine:

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 October 2, 2015. Your name has been placed on the 2016 active candidate list.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **November 10, 2015**. The report will cover the period of October 1-31, 2015 (M10). 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 Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 64957



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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 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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Instructions and Assistance

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

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>http://dos.myflorida.com/elections/</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

July 28, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Re: CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

The Division of Elections has determined that one or more campaign reports are incomplete for the reasons noted in the attached error report.

Pursuant to Section 106.07(2), Florida Statutes, you have 7 days from receipt of this notice to file an amended report to correct errors or provide missing information. If the information has been reported accurately, provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issue noted in the error report. Please be advised that failure to supply this information within the time allowed may constitute a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

If you need assistance in filing an amendment, please contact the Division's help line at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson Chief, Bureau of Election Records

Attachment

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

August 15, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Re: CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

On July 28, 2016, you were advised that one or more of your campaign treasurer's reports were incomplete and that you had 7 days to provide the requested information.

The Division's electronic filing system indicates that the required information has not been provided. Pursuant to Section 106.22, Florida Statutes, the Division is required to notify the Florida Elections Commission of the failure to provide information required by Chapter 106. Accordingly, if the information requested in our prior notice is not received within 7 days of receipt of this letter, we will refer this matter to the Commission. A second copy of the error report is attached for your convenience.

Sincerely,

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Krist Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Ken Detzner Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

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September 20, 2016

Mary Estime-Irvin Post Office Box 613008 Miami, FL 33261

Re: CAN 64957

Dear Ms. Estime-Irvin:

You have previously been advised that one or more campaign treasurer's reports are incomplete for the reasons noted in the attached error report.

Pursuant to Section 106.07(2), Florida Statutes, you have 7 days from receipt of this letter to correct errors or provide missing information. If the information has been reported accurately, you must provide a written explanation to the Division addressing the issue noted in the error report. Please be advised that if you fail to comply with this request, the Division will forward this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation.

If you need assistance in filing an amendment, please contact the Division's help line at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson Chief, Bureau of Election Records

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