STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Rebecca S. Sharp

Case No.: FEC 15-286

TO: Rebecca S. Sharp 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville, FL 32250

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, February 17, 2016 at 10:00 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: Florida State Conference Center, 555 West Pensacola Street, Room #108, Tallahassee, Florida 32306.

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.

If you are the Complainant, you may attend the hearing, but you will *not* be permitted to address the Commission. In addition, 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 the Respondent requests to be heard or the Commission requests that the case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, the case will *not* be individually heard.

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.

See further instructions on the reverse side.

<u>Amy McKeever Toman</u>

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission February 2, 2016 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 failure, it may waive the fine, 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.

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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,

v.

Case No.: FEC 15-286

Rebecca S. Sharp, 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 November 17, 2015, in Tallahassee, Florida

Based on the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff's Recommendation, and oral

statements (if any) made at the probable cause hearing, the Commission finds that there is

probable cause to charge Respondent with the following violation(s):

Count 1:

On or about February 2, 2015, Rebecca S Sharp violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when she deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, by failing to disclose the campaign's reportable financial activity attributable to her 2015 Termination Report.

The Commission finds that there is no probable cause to charge Respondent with

violating Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on November 17, 2015.

M. Scott Thomas, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to: Stephanie J. Cunningham, Assistant General Counsel Rebecca S. Sharp, 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 17, 2015 at 10:30 AM, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

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Case No.: FEC 15-286

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, and that there is no probable cause to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on July 1, 2015, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On March 17, 2015, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections ("Division"), alleging that Rebecca S Sharp ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes

2 Respondent was a 2014 candidate for State Representative, District 17. (ROI Exhibit 13)¹ Respondent was defeated in the general election held on November 4, 2014

3. By letter dated April 29, 2015, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provisions:

> Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting [date] that no report would be filed on that date because [she] had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting period:

> > • 2015 TR

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when [she] failed to file [a report] on the prescribed reporting date for the following reporting period:

• 2015 TR

4 On May 8, 2014, Respondent filed her Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates form ("DS-DE 9") appointing herself as

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

treasurer for her campaign (ROI Exhibit 1) By letter dated May 9, 2014, Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, sent Respondent a letter acknowledging that the Division had received her DS-DE 9 and that her name was placed on the 2014 active candidate list (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1)

5. The acknowledgment letter advised Respondent that all candidates filing reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system ("EFS"), and provided Respondent with a user identification number and initial password to grant access to the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1) The letter further advised Respondent that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms were available on its website and directed Respondent to print out the 2014 Calendar of Reporting Dates as well as other relevant documents. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 3)

6 On November 21, 2014, the Division mailed a letter to Respondent notifying her of the designated due date for her 2015 Termination Report. (Attachment A) The 2014 Calendar of Reporting Dates also sets forth the deadline to file a 2015 Termination Report for candidates who ran in the 2014 general election

7 Respondent's 2015 Termination Report was due to be filed by February 2, 2015; however, Respondent failed to timely file the report or notify the filing officer that no report would be filed (ROI Exhibit 9) By letters dated February 3, 2015, February 19, 2015, and March 3, 2015, the Division notified Respondent that her 2015 Termination Report had not been received (ROI Exhibits 5-7) The March 3, 2015 letter was confirmed delivered (ROI Exhibit 7, page 2)

8 A subpoena was issued to Respondent's designated campaign depository to ascertain whether any financial activity occurred during the relevant reporting period, i.e., October 31, 2014 – February 2, 2015. The campaign's bank records show two debit transactions totaling \$13 98 that were authorized or occurred during the relevant reporting period but were not disclosed. As it appears that the campaign had financial activity during the relevant reporting period, Respondent deliberately failed to include information in her 2015 Termination Report in violation of Section 106 19(1)(c), Florida Statutes. Therewith, Respondent was not required to notify the filing officer that she would not be filing her 2015 Termination Report because the campaign had reportable financial activity (ROI Exhibit 8)

9. Respondent was given multiple opportunities to respond to Commission staff's investigation, but failed to do so. (ROI Exhibits 10-12) As of July 1, 2015, Respondent has not disclosed the campaign's reportable financial activity that occurred during the relevant reporting period (ROI Exhibit 9)

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 was a 2014 candidate for State Representative, District 17. Respondent failed to timely file her 2015 Termination Report or notify the filing officer that no report would be filed. The campaign's bank records show that the campaign had financial activity during the relevant reporting period, and therefore Respondent deliberately failed to include information in her 2015 Termination Report in violation of Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes Therewith, Respondent was not required to notify the filing officer that she would not be filing her 2015 Termination Report because the campaign had reportable financial activity

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find no probable cause to charge Respondent with violating Section 106 07(7), Florida Statutes, and find probable cause to charge Respondent with violating the following:

Count 1:

On or about February 2, 2015, Rebecca S. Sharp violated Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, when she deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, by failing to disclose the campaign's reportable financial activity attributable to her 2015 Termination Report.

Av 505 + Respectfully submitted on July 13, 2015

Stephanie J. Curningham Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this <u>1314</u> day of July 2015.

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

MEMORANDUM

TO: 2014 General Election Petition Candidates

FROM: Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

DATE: November 21, 2014

SUBJECT: Termination Report Notice

Candidates must dispose of all funds on deposit in the campaign account pursuant to the provisions of Section 106 141, Florida Statutes, within 90 days of the election. Therefore, your termination report (TR) must be filed using the Electronic Filing System (EFS) no later than **February 2, 2015** You are not required to close the campaign prior to the due date; however, you must have written checks disposing of all surplus funds in the account by this date You may file your report at any time prior to the deadline once you have disposed of all funds

Before disposing of surplus funds, if you submitted petitions to a supervisor of elections and did not pay to have signatures verified because you filed an undue burden oath, you must reimburse the county for verifying the signatures pursuant to Section 106 141(7), Florida Statutes Please contact any supervisor of elections that verified signatures for your campaign to determine the amount that must be reimbursed.

If you have any questions, please contact this office at 850-245-6280

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Attachment



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

Governor

KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

MEMORANDUM

TO: 2014 Candidates and Campaign Treasurers

FROM: Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief 42b Bureau of Election Records

DATE: November 21, 2014

SUBJECT: Termination Reports

Please review the following information to assist you in properly filing your termination report.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Once a candidate is elected, eliminated, fails to qualify, becomes unopposed, or withdraws, the funds in the campaign account must be disposed of as set forth in 106 141, F S.
- Candidates must dispose of all funds on deposit in the campaign account within 90 days of the triggering event. The due date of the termination report will be reflected in the Electronic Filing System (EFS).
- You are not required to close the campaign account prior to the due date; however, you must have written checks disposing of all surplus funds by this date.
- You may file your report at any time prior to the deadline once you have disposed of all funds. To do this, the Report End date in the EFS must be changed to the date the report is filed.

Report: 2015 - TR - 26	2014 General Election	Covers: 10/31/2014-2/2/2015	Due: 2/2/2015
Strates	Waiver Complete Status:	Incomplete Detail Records Start Date:	10/31/2014
File Date:	Review Status:	Not Reviewed End Date:	2/2.2015
Status: Date Prto-	Last Review:		



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DISPOSING OF FUNDS

Sections 106 11(5) and 106 141, Florida Statutes

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Required:

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- Pay for items which were obligated before the candidate was elected, eliminated, became unopposed or withdrew.
- Pay for expenditures necessary to close down the campaign office and prepare the final campaign reports
- Reimburse any supervisor of elections for waived signature verification fees for candidate petitions by virtue of having filed an Affidavit of Undue Burden.

Optional

(one or any combination thereof)

- Reimburse the candidate for any reported contributions that he or she made to the campaign (The candidate may be reimbursed for funds he or she deposited prior to reimbursing a supervisor of elections for waived petition fees.)
 - o This includes in-kind contributions and loans.
- Purchase "thank you" advertising for up to 75 days after the candidate was elected, eliminated, became unopposed or withdrew;
- Return pro rata to each contributor.
 - All contributors (except the candidate) must receive a portion of their contribution
- Donate the funds to one or more charitable organizations that meet the qualifications of s. 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code.
- Give not more than \$25,000 (in total) to the affiliated party committee or political party of which the candidate is a member.
 - o A candidate may not give to a county executive committee.
- Give the funds to the State General Revenue Fund
- Transfer money to an office account (only candidates who were elected) See Section 106.141(5), F.S., for amounts

- Roll-over funds (applies only to state candidates who were elected) transfer up to \$20,000 to a future campaign for the <u>same office</u>.
 - "State" candidate includes a candidate for Governor, Cabinet, Supreme Court, District Court of Appeal, legislative offices, state attorney, public defender, and circuit court judge.
 - For legislative, public defender, state attorney and circuit court judge, "same office" means the same district, group, seat, *etc*, as applicable.

EFS REPORTING

Expenditure Codes

Important: You must use the following Expenditure Type Codes-

- **DIS** Repayment of funds to candidates, donation to charitable organization, pro-rata refunds to contributors, funds given to the General Revenue fund
 - Do not report using the expenditure type REM or report in the Other Distribution section.
- DFC (Roll-over funds) transfer to a future campaign for the <u>same office</u>
- **DPP** Funds given to an affiliated party committee or political party
- **DPV** funds used to reimburse a supervisor of elections for petition fees after campaign is over.
- TOA Funds transferred to an office account.
 - **Important:** The amount shown in the termination report as being transferred must match the amount being reported as deposited in the office account report
- MON for all other expenditures.

Contributions Received after the Deadline

- If the contribution is deposited, report the contribution on the date received Create a separate contribution entry for the date of the return and report the amount as a negative using the contribution type **REF**.
- If the contribution is received after the deadline and returned without being deposited, do not report it on the termination report Fill out form DSDE-2 and file with the Division of Elections.

Uncashed Pro-rata Refund Checks

Many times when pro-rata refunds are issued to contributors, the checks are not cashed. If this occurs, contact the person and ask them to please cash the check so that the campaign can be finalized. If the check is never cashed, the money will need to be redistributed.

- Create a new expenditure entry using a **negative** amount with the expenditure type **DIS**. In the purpose field, indicate that it was an uncashed pro-rata refund
- When the funds are redistributed, create a new expenditure (positive amount) with the date the funds are redistributed, using the expenditure type **DIS**

Expense Refunds

Campaigns routinely receive refunds after the election for such things as sign deposits, unused funds for advertising, utility security deposit refunds, etc. If this occurs, create a <u>negative</u> <u>expenditure</u> sequence and use the expenditure code **REF**.

- If the refund is received after the termination report is filed, an amended termination report must be filed showing the refund and subsequent disposition.
- If the refund is received after the termination report is filed and the campaign account is closed, the candidate may endorse the check and distribute as surplus funds. An amended termination report must be filed showing the refund and subsequent disposition

Petty Cash

Unused petty cash that is deposited back into the campaign account so that it may be distributed as surplus funds is recorded as a **negative** expenditure and coded as **PCW**

It is important that the petty cash activity throughout the campaign balances If you need assistance determining that your petty cash activity balances, you may send an email to <u>efs@dos.state.fl.us</u> and request a "Petty Cash" report

Balanced Totals – Monetary Contributions vs. Expenditures

Once you are finished distributing surplus funds, your totals must balance The amount of monetary contributions received must equal the amount of expenditures. If you need assistance with determining whether your totals balance, you may send an email to <u>efs@dos.state.fl.us</u> and request a "Sum of Contributions vs. Expenditure" report.

If you have any questions, please contact this office at 850-245-6280.

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Case No.: FEC 15-286

Respondent: Rebecca S. Sharp

Complainant: Division of Elections

Pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, on March 17, 2015, the Florida Elections Commission received information from the Division of Elections that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes The Division's referral was mandated pursuant to Section 106.07(8)(d), Florida Statutes Commission staff, therefore, investigated whether Respondent violated the following statutes:

> 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; and

> Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes, prohibiting a person or organization from falsely reporting or deliberately failing to report information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent was a 2014 candidate for State Representative, District 17; she was defeated in the general election held on November 4, 2014 Respondent previously ran for this position and was defeated in the 2012 general election

2 Complainant is the Division of Elections.

3. Respondent's filing officer is Kristi Reid-Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records.

4. On May 8, 2014, Respondent filed an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates (DS-DE 9) form appointing herself treasurer of her campaign To view a copy of the DS-DE 9 form, please refer to Exhibit 1.

5. On May 9, 2014, Ms. Bronson sent Respondent a letter acknowledging she had been placed on the active committee list. The letter was mailed to the address provided on Respondent's DS-DE 9 form; however, it was returned by the post office marked "Attempted – Not Known Unable to Forward" The Division received the returned mail on June 5, 2014 To view a copy of the acknowledgement letter and returned envelope, please refer to Exhibit 2.

6 History Notes provided by the Division reflect that on June 5, 2014, Stacy Bagely, a division employee, telephoned and e-mailed Respondent regarding the returned mail and instructed Respondent to complete a credentials request form. Ms. Bagely also advised Respondent she could update her address by sending the Division a signed letter stating the

address change. The notes further reflect that the Division received Respondent's credentials request form on that same date To view a copy of the History Notes, please refer to Exhibit 3

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7 On June 5, 2014, the Division also received a letter from Respondent reflecting that her mailing address was "1663 Blue Heron Lane, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250" To view a copy of Respondent's letter, please refer to Exhibit 4.

8 Although it appears Respondent received her identification number and initial password giving her access to the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS), it does not appear the acknowledgement letter was re-mailed to Respondent at the address provided in her letter dated June 5, 2015 (Exhibit 4) Therefore, I am unable to ascertain whether Respondent was advised that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on their website, including Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*, and the Calendar of Reporting Dates, as per the information provided in the acknowledgement letter (Exhibit 2)

9 The Division sent Respondent a letter dated February 3, 2015, informing her that her report due February 2, 2015 (2015 Termination Report) had not been received The letter was mailed to Respondent at the address provided in her June 5, 2014 letter to the Division (Exhibit 4). To view a copy of the failure-to-file letter, please refer to Exhibit 5.

10. A second failure-to-file letter dated February 19, 2015, was mailed to Respondent informing her that her report due February 2, 2015 (2015 Termination Report) had not been received. The letter was mailed to Respondent at the address provided in her June 5, 2014 letter to the Division (Exhibit 4). To view a copy of the failure-to-file letter, please refer to Exhibit 6.

11. On March 3, 2015, the Division sent Respondent a letter marked "Final Notice" stating her 2015 Termination Report had not been filed. Copies of the failure-to-file letters previously provided as Exhibits 5 and 6 were included with the Final Notice. The Final Notice was mailed to Respondent at the address provided in her June 5, 2015 letter to the Division (Exhibit 4), and was delivered on March 4, 2015. To view copies of the Final Notice, without attachments, and delivery confirmation, please refer to Exhibit 7.

12 On March 17, 2015, the Commission received a referral from the Division alleging that Respondent failed to report campaign activity during the 2015 Termination Report (TR) reporting period, or in the alternative, failed to notify the filing officer that no report would be filed The allegations will be discussed in the paragraphs that follow.

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

13. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of election laws by failing to notify her filing officer, in writing, that no report would be filed for the 2015 TR reporting period

14 On June 9, 2015, I subpoenaed Respondent's campaign account records from VyStar Credit Union, Respondent's campaign depository listed on her DS-DE 9 form (Exhibit 1). Review of those records reflects one debit from the account on November 5, 2015 in the

amount of \$6.99, and one debit from the account on December 5, 2015 in the amount of \$6.99¹ It appears these two transactions occurred during the 2015 TR cover period of October 31, 2014 to February 2, 2015 To view the relevant campaign account records, please refer to Exhibit 8.

15 Based upon Respondent's campaign account records, it appears Respondent was not required to notify her filing officer in writing that no report would be filed for the 2015 TR reporting period; rather, it appears Respondent was required to disclose these transactions by filing a 2015 TR

16. No record of Respondent having previously violated this section of law was found

III. Alleged Violation of Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

17. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of election laws by failing to report campaign activity during the 2015 TR reporting period.

18 To review the circumstances regarding Respondent's campaign activity, please refer to paragraph 14 of this report.

19. Based upon Respondent's campaign account records (Exhibit 8), it appears Respondent was required to file a 2015 TR disclosing at least two expenditures from the campaign account.

20. Respondent's filing history reflects that as of the date of this report, Respondent's 2015 IR remains un-filed To view a copy of Respondent's filing history, please refer to Exhibit 9.

21 No record of Respondent having previously violated this section of law was found.

IV. FEC History:

22 Respondent has not had any prior cases before the Commission

Conclusion:

On March 20, 2015, the Commission sent Respondent a letter via certified mail informing her that a referral was received from the Division alleging violations of Florida's election laws. The letter advised Respondent she had 14 days to respond to the allegations in the referral and was delivered to Respondent's address on March 26, 2015. Respondent did not provide a response to the referral To view a copy of the Commission's March 20, 2015 letter, please refer to Exhibit 10.

24 On April 29, 2015, the Commission sent Respondent a letter informing her that

¹ According to Respondent's campaign account records (Exhibit 8), the two transactions were debits by "Press Plus." An online Google search of "Press Plus" reflects that it is an online subscription service providing access to newspapers, magazines, websites, and other digital news publishers During my review of Respondent's account records, I found no previous debits from Respondent's account by Press Plus

the Division's referral was found to be legally sufficient and Commission staff would be investigating Respondent's alleged failure to file a 2015 TR, or in the alternative, failed to notify the filing officer that no report would be filed. The letter advised Respondent she could file a notarized statement providing any information regarding the facts surrounding the allegation. Respondent did not provide a notarized statement regarding the allegation in the referral To view a copy of the Commission's April 29, 2015 letter, please refer to Exhibit 11

25. On June 10 and June 22, 2015, I left voicemail messages asking Respondent to return my call to discuss the allegations in the Division's referral. As of the date of this report, Respondent has not returned my calls. To view a copy of the Investigative Phone Log, please refer to Exhibit 12

26. Because Respondent has not returned my telephone calls, I am unable to ascertain whether she has read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and/or the *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook*² Respondent signed her Statement of Candidate form on May 6, 2014. To view a copy of the form, please refer to Exhibit 13.

27. During my investigation, I found that Respondent's campaign account remains open as of June 15, 2015, with a balance of \$5 17; it appears Respondent may not have disposed of surplus funds within 90 days of being eliminated as a candidate. However, because this information was not available to Complainant at the time the referral was filed, I did not further investigate this information.

Respectfully submitted on July 1, 2015,

Current address of Complainant

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Division of Elections

Tallahassee, FL 32399

500 South Bronough Street

Tracie Aulet Investigation Specialist

Current address of Respondent

Ms Rebecca S. Sharp 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville, FL 32250

Name and Address of Filing Officer:

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

Copy furnished to: Mr David Flagg, Investigations Manager

 $^{^{2}}$ As previously stated Respondent was not a first-time candidate; she also ran for this position in the 2012 general election

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Rebecca S. Sharp -- FEC 15-286

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Exhibit 13	Statement of Candidate form signed 5/6/14				

APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURE AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES (Section 106.021(1), F.S.) (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE) NOTE: This form must be on file with the qualifyi officer before opening the campaign account. 1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES): Initial Filing of Form Re-filing to Change: X 2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last)	ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying Ying OFFICE USE ONLY X Treasurer/Deputy X J Depository J Office Party J AM JO: 23 J J J J J J J J J
REBECCA S. SHARP 4. Telephone 5. E-mail address	Code) 100 Cat Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
(904) 710-0344 floridafamiliesunite@yah 6. Office sought (include district, circuit, group number) FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES-DISTRICT 17	·····
8 If a candidate for a <u>partisan</u> office, check block and Write-In X No Party Affiliation	Party candidate
10. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer REBECCA S. SHARP	
11 Mailing Address 100 CAT ROAD	12. Telephone ()
13. City14. County15PONTE VEDRA PONTEST. JOHNSFL	5. State 16. Zip Code 17. E-mail address L 32082 floridafamiliesunite@yahoo.com
18. I have designated the following bank as my	Primary Depository Secondary Depository
19 Name of Bank VYSTAR CREDIT UNION	20. Address P.O. 45085
21. City 22. County JACKSONVILLE DUVAL	23 State 24 Zip Code FL 32232-5085
	AD THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND SITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.
25. Date MAY 6, 2014	26. Signature of Candidate
I, <u>Rebecca</u> <u>S.</u> Sharp (Please Print or Type Name	
designated above as: \square Campaign Treas	asurer Deputy Treasurer.
Date	Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer
DS-DE 9 (Rev. 10/10)	Rule 1S-2.0001, F.A.C.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor **KEN DETZNER** Secretary of State

May 9, 2014

Rebecca S. Sharp 100 Cat Road Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Dear Ms. Sharp:

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 May 8, 2014 Your name has been placed on the 2014 active candidate list.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on June 10, 2014. The report will cover the period of May 1-31, 2014. 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: 62068



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Pin Numbers

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

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

Timely Filing

All reports filed must be completed and filed through the EFS no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106 07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable

Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. Solve 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://elections.myflorida.com</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, 2014 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, 2014 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

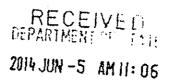
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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

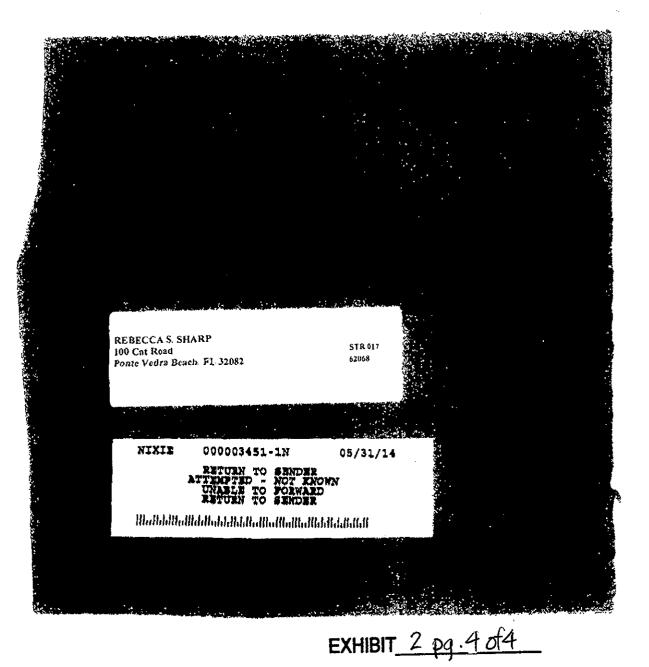
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Rebecca S. Sharp - 62068

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Received Credential reque	st form so we could give them over	the phone since her report is due or	the 10th
Also received letter asking	for a change in the address and pho	one number on file with us.	
Changes have been made			
Slb			
38770	6/5/2014 12:58:00 PM		sibagley
RE: Returned Mail			
but we also discovered her	Rebecca, she verified the address w phone number is incorrect (off by o form and email that back along with	ne number it is actually 904-710-30	47). She said she would fill
The address she asked us	to resend the letter to is:		
1663 Blue Heron Lane, Jacksonville Beach, FL 322	250		
-slb			

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HISTORY NOTES Rebecca S. Sharp - 62068

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Attention Rebecca S. Shar	p Candidate for State Representativ	re (62068)	
This email is a follow up to 0344).	the phone message I left earlier toda	ay at the phone number you have or	n file with us (904-710-
We have received a return	ed mail from your address:		

100 Cat Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Please call me as soon as possible so I can assist you in receiving your credentials for the Electronic Filing System as you have a report due on June 10. 2014. My direct line is 850-245-6214.

Also, please fill out and return the attached PDF, per the instructions on the bottom of the document so that we may start the process of being allowed to release your credentials to you over the phone

To update your address with us, you may do so by sending us a signed letter stating the address change

You may send the signed written letter to:

Bureau of Election Records Florida Department of State R.A. Gray Building, Room 316 500 S. Bronough Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

You may email a copy of the letter to: DivElections@dos state.fl.us

Or by fax to:

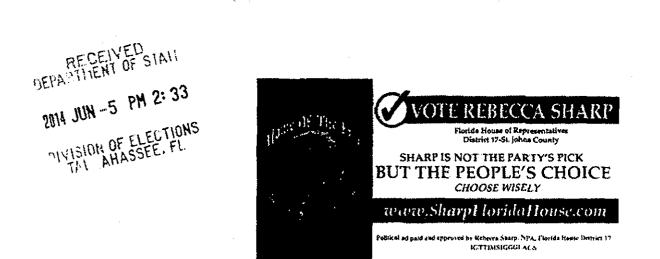
850-245-6259 or 850-245-6260

Once you have received your EFS credentials you also have the option to change the address by logging into EFS and changing it in the Campaign Account section.

Please contact me at 850-245-6214

Stacy Bagley Regulatory Specialist II Bureau of Election Records Florida Department of State R.A Gray Building 500 S Bronough Street Tallahassee, FL 32399 Helpline: 850 245 6280

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June 5, 2014

MS. STACY BAGLEY Regulatory Specialist Bureau of Election Records Florida Department of State R.A. Gray Building 500 S. Bronough Street Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850) 245-6280

Dear Ms Bagley,

Thank you for your astute attention to my campaign documents! I appreciate you!

Please accept this letter as a request for change of contact telephone number. The correct number is 904-710-0347.

Also, mailing address is: 1663 Blue Heron Lane, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

If you need any thing further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank You, and God Bless Rebecca Sharp

Candidate for Florida House of Representatives-District 17 www.Sharpf-loridaHouse.com

sc/RSS cc: Campaign file

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

February 3, 2015

Rebecca S. Sharp Candidate for State Representative, District 17 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250-2250

Re: CAN 62068

Dear Ms. Sharp:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due February 2, 2015, has not been received.

Section 106 07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file said report. The fine for termination reports for candidates, shall be \$50 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

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

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

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

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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

Second Notice

February 19, 2015

Rebecca S Sharp Candidate for State Representative, District 17 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250-2250

Re: CAN 62068

Dear Ms. Sharp:

Your campaign treasurer's report, due February 2, 2015, has not been received.

Section 106.07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file said report. The fine for termination reports for candidates, shall be \$50 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on February 3, 2015. As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report

If the report is not received in our office within 14 days of the date this notice is received, our office will refer this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per count.

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

FINAL NOTICE Delivery Confirmation:

USPS TRACKING # 9 & CUSTOMER RECEIPT

9114 9999 4423 8939 8829 93 For Tracking or inquiries go to USPS.com or call 1-800-222-1811

March 3, 2015

Rebecca S. Sharp Candidate for State Representative (62068) 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250

Dear Ms. Sharp:

According to a review of the Division's records, the following report has not been filed:

<u>Year</u>	Report	Cover Period
2015	TR	10/31/2014 - 02/02/2015

The candidate has previously been notified of the report that is outstanding. Enclosed are copies of letters sent by the Division. If the report is not filed <u>within 7 days of receipt of this letter</u>, 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 have any questions, please call the Help Line at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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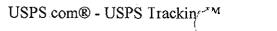
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REBECCA SHARP

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CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT FOR REBECCA SHA

JACKSONVILLE BEACH FL 32250-5519

VyStar Auto Le., rates are the lowest they have been in decades. Apply for a VyStar consumer loan online via Internet Banking at www.vystarcu.org. Low rates, no hidden fees or fine print surprises.

Statement Date: 11/15/14

Member Number:

2404758

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Regular Checking Account		
Statement Period: 10/16/14 to 11/15/14		
Date Description	Amount	Balance
10/15 Balance Forward	>	8 . 15
10/22 Deposit	70.00	78.15
10/24 DBT Recur-Purch CAMPAIGN PARTNER	59.00-	19.15
CAMPAIGN PARTNER 617-299-6095 MA US		
Seg#054538 Date 10/24/14 Time 21:20		
11/05 DBT Purchase PRESS PLUS	6.99-	12 16
PRESS PLUS 866-717-7377 NY US		
Seg#004963 Date 11/04/14 Time 13:47		
Total For	Total	
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	This Period	Year-to-Date
Total Overdraft Fees	\$.00	\$.00
Total Returned Item Fees	\$.00	\$32.00

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Summa	y of Dep	posit 2	Accounts				
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Regular Checking			12.16	100	23		
Checking Total			12 16				
Deposits Grand Total			12.16				

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REBECCA SHARP

Deposits Grand Total

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CAMPAIGN ACCOUNT FOR REBECCA SHA

JACKSONVILLE BEACH FL 32250-5519

VyStar Auto Löam rates are the lowest they have been in decades Apply for a VyStar consumer loan online via Internet Banking at www.vystarcu.org Low rates no hidden fees or fine print surprises.

Statement Date: 12/15/14

Member Number:

2404758

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FEC - Candidate/Committee, Filing History Report

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Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Florida Election System Reports

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Candidate/Committee Lookup Candidate Name: Rebecca S Sharp									
Name:	Account: <u>62068</u>								
	Date Due	Туре	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
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	10/17/2014	G5	10/14/2014						
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	8/22/2014	P7	8/22/2014						
	8/15/2014	P6	8/16/2014	CLO	1	\$0 00		\$0 00	\$0 00
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	8/1/2014	P 4	8/1/2014						
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	6/10/2014	M5	6/9/2014						

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

March 20, 2015

CERTIFIED MAIL 9214 8969 0099 9790 1600 6385 84

Rebecca S Sharp 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville, FL 32250

RE: Case No.: FEC 15-286; Respondent: Rebecca S. Sharp

Dear Ms Sharp:

On March 17, 2015, the Florida Elections Commission received the enclosed complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws Section 106.25(2), Florida Statutes states:

The respondent shall have 14 days *after receipt* of the complaint to file an initial response, and the executive director may not determine the legal sufficiency of the complaint during that time period.

If you choose to file a response to the complaint, please send it to my attention at the address listed above To ensure that I receive your response in a timely manner, you may also want to send it via e-mail to my attention, at $\underline{\text{fec}@myfloridalegal.com}$ You will be notified by letter whether the complaint is determined legally sufficient.

Please note that all documents related to this matter will be mailed to the above address unless you notify us of a new address.

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

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The confidentiality provision does not preclude you from seeking legal counsel. However, if you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the Commission staff can discuss this case with him or her.

Sincerely,

Erin Riley

Deputy Agency Clerk

ip/enr Enclosure: Complaint w/attachments

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Date Produced: 03/30/2015

Florida Elections Commission:

The following is the delivery information for Certified Mail[™]/RRE item number 9214 8969 0099 9790 1600 6385 84. Our records indicate that this item was delivered on 03/26/2015 at 03:32 p.m. in JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FL 32250. The scanned image of the recipient information is provided below.

Signature of Recipient :



Address of Recipient :

1663 Bluetteon

Thank you for selecting the Postal Service for your mailing needs. If you require additional assistance, please contact your local post office or Postal Service representative.

Sincerely, United States Postal Service

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Due: 4/14/15



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

April 29, 2015

Rebecca S Sharp 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville, FL 32250

RE: Case No.: FEC 15-286; Respondent: Rebecca S. Sharp

Dear Ms. Sharp:

On March 17, 2015, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws. I have reviewed the complaint and find that it contains one or more legally sufficient allegations. The Commission staff will investigate the following alleged violations:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates 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 period:

• 2015 TR

Section 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent falsely reported or deliberately failed to include information required by Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, when it failed to file reports on the prescribed reporting date for the following reporting period:

• 2015 TR

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

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



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

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

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

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

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If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tracie Aulet, the investigator assigned to this case

Sincerely,

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

AMI/enr

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 15-286

Respondent: Rebecca S. Sharp

Complainant: Division of Elections

Date and time: June 9, 2015; 2:13 p m.
 Name: VyStar Credit Union
 Phone #: 904-777-6000
 Summary: I inquired as to how to serve a subpoena for bank records; the person I spoke with stated I should send the subpoena by certified mail to 4949 Blanding Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida 32210.
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: ta

2. Date and time: June 10, 2015; 9:31 a.m. Name: Respondent
Phone #: 904-710-0347
Summary: There was no answer; I left a voicemail asking R to return my call. I was calling to discuss referral. It is noted the person on the voicemail instructing callers to leave a message identifies herself as "Rebecca." Memo to File? No Entered by: ta

Date and time: June 22, 2015; 2:21 p.m
 Name: Respondent
 Phone #: 904-710-0347
 Summary: There was no answer; I left a voicemail asking R to return my call I was calling to discuss referral
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: ta

4. Date and time:

Name: Phone #: Summary: Memo to File? No Entered by:

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EXHIBIT 12

STATEMENT OF $I_{\rm eff}$ 2014 MAY -8 AN 10: 23 CANDIDATE DIVISION OF ELECTIONS (Section 106.023, F.S.) (Please print or type) **REBECCA S. SHARP** 1. candidate for the office of FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES District 17 have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. MAY 6. 2014 Signature of Candidate Date Each candidate must file a statement with the qualifying officer within 10 days after the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful failure to file this form is a first degree misdemeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign Financing Act which may result in a fine of up to \$1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida Statutes). DS-DE 84 (05/11) 13 EXHIBIT



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Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC REFERRAL FORM

RECEIVED

To FEC from Division of Elections

2015 MAR 17 P 1: 11

Name:Rebecca S. SharpAccount Number:62068Treasurer:Rebecca S. Sharp

The Division of Elections is referring this issue to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to Sections 106.22, 106.25 and 106.19(1)(c), Florida Statutes.

Section 106.07(8)(d) Florida Statutes, requires the filing officer to notify the FEC of a candidate's alleged failure to file reports as set forth in the notification.

In the alternative, Rebecca S. Sharp failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report was to be filed as required by Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes. Late filing of the required waiver notice(s) may constitute a failure to include information required by Chapter 106 (see Section 106.19(1)(c)).

The following report is outstanding after notification:

2015 TR

Sent By: Kristi Reid Bronson KPB Date: March 13, 2015

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Leon

Kristi Reid Bronson, being duly sworn, says:

- 1. I am the Chief of the Bureau of Election Records of the Division of Elections (Division). In that capacity, I oversee the Division's duties related to the filing of campaign finance reports.
- 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. Rebecca S. Sharp (62068) is a 2014 candidate for the office of Florida House Representative, District 17.
- 5. On May 8, 2014, Rebecca S. Sharp filed the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository with the Division Ms. Sharp appointed herself as treasurer. (See attached documents and acknowledgment letter).
- 6. The 2015 TR campaign treasurer's report was due on February 2, 2015 On February 3, 2015, the Division mailed Ms. Sharp notification that the 2015 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. (See attached letter).
- 7. The 2015 TR campaign treasurer's report was due on February 2, 2015. On February 19, 2015, the Division mailed Ms. Sharp notification that the 2015 TR treasurer's report had not been filed (See attached letter).
- 8. On March 3, 2015, the Division mailed Ms. Sharp final notification with delivery confirmation that the 2015 TR treasurer's report had not been filed. (See attached letter with delivery confirmation).
- 9. As of March 13, 2015, Ms. Sharp has failed to file the 2015 TR report.

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

Signature of Affiant

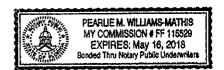
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Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 13th day of March, 2015.

Venelin H. Willin Math Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

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UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT-THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.								
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

May 9, 2014

Rebecca S. Sharp 100 Cat Road Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Dear Ms. Sharp:

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 May 8, 2014. Your name has been placed on the 2014 active candidate list.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **June 10, 2014**. The report will cover the period of May 1-31, 2014. 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: 62068



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Rebecca S. Sharp May 9, 2014 Page Two

Pin Numbers

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

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

Timely Filing

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

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

Electronic Receipts

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

Rebecca S. Sharp May 9, 2014 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://elections.myflorida.com</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, 2014 Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook, 2014 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

KRB/slb

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

February 3, 2015

Rebecca S. Sharp Candidate for State Representative, District 17 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250-2250

Re: CAN 62068

Dear Ms Sharp:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due February 2, 2015, has not been received.

Section 106 07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file said report. The fine for termination reports for candidates, shall be \$50 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

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

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

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

Sincerely,

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records



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

Second Notice

February 19, 2015

Rebecca S. Sharp Candidate for State Representative, District 17 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250-2250

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The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on February 3, 2015. As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report.

If the report is not received in our office within 14 days of the date this notice is received, our office will refer this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per count.

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

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records



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FINAL NOTICE **Delivery Confirmation:**

& CUSTOMER RECEIPT

USPS TRACKING # 9114 9999 4423 8939 8829 93 For Tracking or inquiries go to USPS.com or call 1-800-222-1811.

March 3, 2015

Rebecca S. Sharp Candidate for State Representative (62068) 1663 Blue Heron Lane Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250

Dear Ms. Sharp:

According to a review of the Division's records, the following report has not been filed:

<u>Year</u>	Report	Cover Period
2015	TR	10/31/2014 - 02/02/2015

The candidate has previously been notified of the report that is outstanding. Enclosed are copies of letters sent by the Division. If the report is not filed within 7 days of receipt of this letter, 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.

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Rebecca S. Sharp - 62068

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Rebecca S. Sharp - 62068

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We have received a returned mail from your address:

100 Cat Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Please call me as soon as possible so I can assist you in receiving your credentials for the Electronic Filing System, as you have a report due on June 10, 2014 My direct line is 850-245-6214.

Also, please fill out and return the attached PDF, per the instructions on the bottom of the document so that we may start the process of being allowed to release your credentials to you over the phone.

To update your address with us you may do so by sending us a signed letter stating the address change

You may send the signed written letter to:

Bureau of Election Records Florida Department of State R.A Gray Building, Room 316 500 S. Bronough Street Tallahassee FL 32399

You may email a copy of the letter to: DivElections@dos state fl.us

Or by fax to:

850-245-6259 or 850-245-6260

Once you have received your EFS credentials, you also have the option to change the address by logging into EFS and changing it in the Campaign Account section

Please contact me at 850-245-6214

Stacy Bagley Regulatory Specialist II Bureau of Election Records Florida Department of State R.A. Gray Building 500 S. Bronough Street Tallahassee, FL 32399 Helpline: 850.245 6280