

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**In Re: Truth & Transparency, Inc.**

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**Case No.: FEC 18-165**

**TO:** Truth & Transparency, Inc.  
Andrew Jones, Chair  
PO Box 652  
Tallahassee, FL 32302

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

**NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE)**

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **November 14, 2018 at 1:30 pm, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room 110-S, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.**

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.

Please be advised that both confidential and public cases are scheduled to be heard by the Florida Elections Commission on this date. As an Appellant, Respondent or Complainant in one case, you will *not* be permitted to attend the hearings on other confidential cases.

The Commission will electronically record the meeting. Although the Commission's recording is considered the official record of the hearing, the Respondent may provide, at his own expense, a certified court reporter to also record the hearing.

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.**

**Eric M. Lipman**  
General Counsel for Executive Director  
Florida Elections Commission  
October 29, 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 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.

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.

If this is an **informal hearing**, it will be conducted pursuant Sections 120.569 and 120.57(2), Florida Statutes; Chapter 28 and Commission Rule 2B-1.004, Florida Administrative Code. At the hearing, the Commission will decide whether the Respondent committed the violation(s) charged in the Order of Probable Cause. The Respondent will be permitted to testify. However, the Respondent may not call witnesses to testify.

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.

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**  
**CASE REPORT**  
**Case Number: FEC-18-165**

**NAME:** TRUTH & TRANSPARENCY, INC.

**DATE APPEAL RECEIVED:** 07/23/18

**DATE REPORT DUE:** 06/11/18 (2018 M5)

**DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT:** 06/12/18

**NUMBER OF DAYS LATE:** 1

**AMOUNT OF FINE:** \$50.00

**FINE BASED ON:**     NUMBER OF DAYS    ( ) 25% OF RECEIPTS    ( ) 25% OF EXPENDITURES

**TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD:** \$0

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD:** \$4,000.00

**DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION:** 06/18/18

CANDIDATE [ ]	STATE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DISTRICT [ ]
CCE [ ]	COUNTY [ ]
POLITICAL PARTY [ ]	CITY [ ]
ECO [ ]	

**SUMMARY:** Truth & Transparency, Inc. is a political committee (PC) registered with the State of Florida. The PC's chair is Andrew Jones and its treasurer is Vanessa Butwell.

The PC is appealing the fine claiming that they filed the 2018 M5 report under the new account number (70735) they received for the EFS login system. According to Andrew Jones, they changed their PAC name from the Committee for Legislative Integrity & Truthfulness, Inc (69617). Upon the name change the PAC filed reports under both account numbers up until the 2018 M5 report. Mr. Jones states that after receiving an email regarding the late report, the treasurer called the Division of Elections and was told to file the report under the 69617 number. He also states that they were told they would not be penalized for the error.

- The 2018 M5 Original Report covers the period from 05/01/18-05/31/18; it was due on 06/11/18.
- The 2018 M5 Queued Transaction Report shows that it was created and filed on 06/12/18 at approximately 9:28am.
- Truth & Transparency, Inc. reported receiving 0 contributions, while making 1 expenditure.
- The Division of Elections has 3 notes that pertain to Truth & Transparency, Inc.'s 2018 M5 report.

**PRIOR CASES:** None.

Truth & Transparency, Inc.  
PO Box 652  
Tallahassee, FL 32302

July 17, 2018

Re: PAC 69617

To whom it may concern,

On April 10, 2018, I, Andrew Jones, Chairperson of PAC 69617, received a new account number and EFS log in information from the Florida Department of State (see attached copy for reference). This was in response to a name change filed for what was previously known as Committee for Legislative Integrity & Truthfulness, Inc, now known as Truth & Transparency, Inc.

Upon receipt of this letter, I filed M2 reports under both account numbers out of caution, and then under only 70735 beginning with the M5 report. The day after the report was due, I got an email saying it had not been filed, at which point Vanessa Butwell, PAC Treasurer, called the Division of Elections and worked out the issue with Carlos. He advised us to file the report under 69617 but that we would not be penalized due to the error.

The Division has notes on these exchanges that they should be able to provide.

In light of the above, please waive the \$50 late fee incurred for the "late" filed report.

With any questions, please call Vanessa Butwell at 941-875-5241.

Thank you

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Andrew Jones

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## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

**RICK SCOTT**  
Governor

**KEN DETZNER**  
Secretary of State

April 10, 2018

Andrew Jones, Chairperson  
Truth & Transparency, Inc.  
Post Office Box 652  
Tallahassee, Florida 32302

Dear Mr. Jones:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Truth & Transparency, Inc.**, which were placed on file in our office on April 6, 2018. This information appears to comply with the requirements of Section 106.03, Florida Statutes, and the name of this organization has been placed on our active committee list as a political committee.

### Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **May 10, 2018**. The report will cover the period of April 1-30, 2018 (M4). All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

### EFS Access

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's filing credentials.

**EFS Website Address:** <https://efs.dos.state.fl.us>  
**Identification Number:** 70735

### Timely Filing

All reports must be completed and filed through the EFS no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight of the due date are late filed and subject to

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Andrew Jones, Chairperson  
April 10, 2018  
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the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

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

#### Electronic Receipts

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

#### Instructions and Assistance


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

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

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



 Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/ljr

Enclosures

pc: Vanessa Butwell, Treasurer

# CONFIDENTIAL

## Chairperson Credentials

Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. You and your campaign treasurer are responsible for protecting this password from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

Each candidate is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event the password is forgotten or lost. In EFS, access the Campaign Account tab, select a question from the drop down box (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.

## Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update personal information. Below is a confidential pin number for you. By copy of this letter, a confidential pin number was sent to your treasurer.

## EFS User's Guide

Once you have logged into your account, an EFS User's Guide can be accessed by clicking on the **Help** option in the menu items across the top of the page. This is a resource for which you should familiarize yourself.

<b>ANDREW JONES, Chairperson</b>	<b>PAC 70735</b>
<b>PIN: 1619</b>	
<b>ANDREW JONES, Chairperson</b>	<b>PAC 70735</b>
<b>ID number: 70735</b> <b>Password: qQ6D10PP</b>	



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**Ken Detzner**  
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

June 18, 2018

Andrew Jones, Chairperson  
Truth & Transparency, Inc.  
Post Office Box 652  
Tallahassee, FL 32302-2302

PAC 69617

Dear Mr. Jones:

The campaign treasurer's report that was due on June 11, 2018, was filed on June 12, 2018. By law, you are automatically assessed a late fine of \$50.00.

**You have 20 days from the receipt of this notice to either:**

1. Pay the fine to the Florida Division of Elections (For a candidate only, a fine is not an allowable campaign expenditure and must be paid from personal funds) at:

*Florida Division of Elections  
R.A. Gray Building, Room. 316  
500 South Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-025011*

2. Appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission (See Rules 2B-1.005 and 2B-1.0055, Florida Administrative Code) at:

*Florida Elections Commission  
107 West Gaines Street, Ste. 224  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0150*

If you appeal, please send a copy also to the Florida Division of Elections so that you will not receive further notices from the Division about this matter.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristi Reid Willis".

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records



**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF ELECTIONS  
CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY**

(1) Truth & Transparency, Inc. (2) 69617  
 Candidate, Committee or Party Name I.D. Number

(3) Post Office Box 652 Tallahassee FL 32302  
 Address (number and street) City State Zip Code

Check box if address has changed since last report

(4) Check appropriate box(es):

Candidate (office sought):  
 Political Committee  Check If PC has DISBANDED  
 Committee of Continuous Existence  Check If CCE has DISBANDED  
 Party Executive Committee

(5) REPORT IDENTIFIERS

Cover Period: From 05/01/2018 To 05/31/2018 Report Type: M5

Original  Amendment  Special Election Report

(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT

Cash & Checks	\$0.00
Loans	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$0.00
In-Kind	\$0.00

(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT

Monetary Expenditures	\$4,000.00
Transfers to Office Account	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$4,000.00

(8) Other Distributions

Certification

It is a first degree misdemeanor for any person to falsify a public record (ss.839.13, F.S.)

I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct and complete

Name of  Treasurer  Deputy Treasurer

X  
Signature

I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct and complete

Name of  Candidate  Chairman (PC/PTY Only)

X  
Signature

ID:

### CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

Name: Truth & Transparency, Inc.

Report: 2018 M5

Period: 05/01/2018 to 05/31/2018

**\*\* Records in Filed Report \*\***

Seq # Date	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip	Contributor	Occupation	Amount
		Type	In-Kind Description	Amend

Name: Truth &amp; Transparency, Inc.

Report: 2018 M5

Period: 05/01/2018 to 05/31/2018

**\*\* Records in Filed Report \*\***

Seq # Date	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip	Type	Purpose	Amount Amend
1 05/15/2018	JANET CRUZ CAMPAIGN PO BOX 4544 TAMPA, FL 33677	MON	CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION	\$1,000.00
2 05/15/2018	AMANDA MURPHY CAMPAIGN PO BOX 1379 NEW PORT RICHEY, FL 33677	MON	CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION	\$1,000.00
3 05/15/2018	KAYSER ENNEKING CAMPAIGN PO BOX 357212 GAINESVILLE, FL 33677	MON	CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION	\$1,000.00
4 05/29/2018	ANNETTE TADDEO CAMPAIGN 5114 SW 72ND AVENUE MIAMI, FL 33155	MON	CAMPAGIN CONTRIBUTION	\$1,000.00

ID:

**CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED FUND TRANSFERS**

Name: Truth & Transparency, Inc.

Report: 2018 M5

Period: 05/01/2018 to 05/31/2018

**\*\* Records in Filed Report \*\***

Seq # Date	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip	Type	Nature of Account	Amount Amend

Name: Truth & Transparency, Inc. Report: 2018 M5 Period: 05/01/2018 to 05/31/2018

**\*\* Records in Filed Report \*\***

Seq # Date	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip	Recipient	Purpose	Amount
		Type	Related Expenditure	Amend

**Queued Items for 2018-M5**Account: **69617****Truth & Transparency, Inc.**

Rpt Seq: 17

<i>ProcessDescription</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Created</i>	<i>LastUpdate</i>
Create Pending Report	Processing Complete	69617	6/12/2018 9:23:39 AM	6/12/2018 9:23:39 AM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	69617	6/12/2018 9:27:36 AM	6/12/2018 9:27:36 AM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	69617	6/12/2018 9:27:56 AM	6/12/2018 9:27:56 AM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	69617	6/12/2018 9:28:14 AM	6/12/2018 9:28:15 AM



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## Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

**Committee Name:** Truth & Transparency, Inc.

Name:

**Account:** 69617

Election:

Acct: 69617

Type:

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
7/20/2018	P2A	7/21/2018						
7/13/2018	P2	7/13/2018						
7/6/2018	P1A	7/6/2018						
6/29/2018	P1	6/25/2018						
6/11/2018	M5	6/12/2018	SNT	1	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00
5/10/2018	M4	5/9/2018						
4/10/2018	M3	4/10/2018						
3/12/2018	M2	3/9/2018						
2/12/2018	M1	2/5/2018						
1/10/2018	M12	1/9/2018						
12/11/2017	M11	12/4/2017						
11/13/2017	M10	11/2/2017						
10/10/2017	M9	10/4/2017						
9/22/2017	M8	9/12/2017						
8/10/2017	M7	8/3/2017						
7/10/2017	M6	7/6/2017						
6/12/2017	M5	6/13/2017	CLO	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5/10/2017	M4	5/5/2017						
4/10/2017	M3	4/10/2017						
3/11/2017	M2	3/10/2017						
2/10/2017	M1	2/10/2017						

Committee for Legislative Integrity & Truthfulness

PO Box 652  
Tallahassee, FL 32302

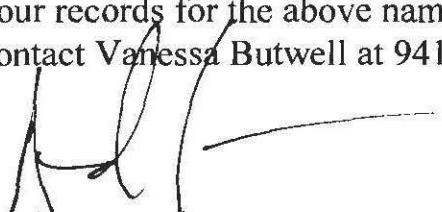
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TALLAHASSEE, FL

April 2, 2018

Florida Department of State  
Division of Elections  
RA Gray Building  
500 S. Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

To whom it may concern:

The political committee named Committee for Legislative Integrity & Truthfulness, Inc. (Document Number N17000000561) has changed its name to Truth & Transparency, Inc. effective April 1, 2018. Please update your records for the above name change. If you have any questions, please contact Vanessa Butwell at 941-875-5241.

  
Andrew Jones  
Chairperson





## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT of STATE

**RICK SCOTT**  
Governor

**KEN DETZNER**  
Secretary of State

May 21, 2018


Andrew Jones, Chairperson  
Truth & Transparency, Inc. (69617)  
Post Office Box 652  
Tallahassee, Florida 32302

Dear Mr. Jones:

This will acknowledge receipt of the letter advising us of the name change for this political committee from Committee for Legislative Integrity & Truthfulness, Inc. to Truth & Transparency, Inc. This information was placed on file in our office on April 5, 2018. The active committee list has been updated to reflect this change.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of assistance to you at any time, please call (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

 Kristi Reid Willis, Chief  
Bureau of Election Records

KRW/jcs

pc: Vanessa Butwell, Treasurer

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**HISTORY NOTES**  
Truth & Transparency, Inc. - 69617

Unique ID	Date Recorded	Last Edited Date	Originally Recorded By
58773	6/12/2018 9:19:00 AM		jcsoria
Re: Duplicate PACs			
I spoke with the treasurer, Ms. Butwell, and reiterated that they were to disregard account 70735 and continue filing under 69617. I advised Ms. Butwell to complete the M5 report under User ID 69617 on 6/12/18.			
58435	5/22/2018 9:41:00 AM		jcsoria
Re: Name Change			
Ms. Butwell returned my call and I was able to explain to her that she should disregard the letter of acknowledgement that went out last month for a new PAC, since what should've gone out was a letter acknowledging just the name change instead.			
58434	5/21/2018 4:56:00 PM		jcsoria
Re: Duplicate PAC			
I called and left messages for both the chairperson and treasurer and requested a call back to inform them of the fact that there were two PAC's created under the same name by error.			
52182	2/10/2017 1:03:00 PM		zjsantos
RE: Credentials			
I left a voicemail reminding the officers that there is a report due by the end of today and if they have not received their credentials to please give us a call back.			