

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Linda Rowe

Case No.: FEC 21-484

TO: Juan-Carlos Planas, Esquire
Law Offices of Juan-Carlos Planas, P.A.
2332 Galiano Street, 2nd Floor
Coral Gables, FL 33134

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

NOTICE OF HEARING (INFORMAL HEARING)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **August 15, 2023 at 8:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **Virtual Meeting via GoTo Webinar:**

WEB PARTICIPATION: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4391393799096818270>

AUDIO PARTICIPATION: 1 877 309 2074 **ATTENDEE ACCESS CODE:** 424-284-031

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See further instructions on the reverse side.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
August 1, 2023

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STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Florida Elections Commission,
Petitioner,

Case No.: FEC 21-484

v.

Linda Rowe,
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 May 16, 2023, in Tallahassee, Florida.

On October 7, 2022, Staff recommended to the Commission that there was probable cause to believe that the Florida Election Code was violated. The facts articulated in Staff's Recommendation are adopted by reference and incorporated herein. Based on the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff's Recommendation, and oral statements (if any) made at the probable cause hearing, the Commission finds that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with the following violation(s):

Count 1:

On or around October 20, 2021, Linda Rowe violated **Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes**, when she failed to timely file an addendum to Friends of Reggie Gaffney's 2021 M7 report within seven days after receiving notice from the Department of State, Division of Elections, that the report required amendment.

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Count 2:

On or around October 20, 2021, Linda Rowe violated **Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes**, when she failed to timely file an addendum to Friends of Reggie Gaffney's 2021 M8 report within seven days after receiving notice from the Department of State, Division of Elections, that the report required amendment.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on May 16, 2023.



Tim Vaccaro, J.D., Executive Director
For Joni Alexis Poitier, Vice Chair
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Stephanie J. Cunningham, General Counsel
Juan-Carlos Planas, Esq., Attorney for Respondent
Division of Elections, Complainant

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

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

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

Third, you may request a formal hearing held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-

hand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you.

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

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

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

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[https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMpduuuqTsqGt1MNuvpQBO15XPapAI_9zfC](https://us06web.zoom.us/join/https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMpduuuqTsqGt1MNuvpQBO15XPapAI_9zfC)

Audio Participation:
Dial: 1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID:
874 1067 0009

Passcode:
772737

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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
May 2, 2023

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STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: **Linda Rowe**

Case No.: **FEC 21-484**

ORDER CONTINUING CASE

THIS MATTER was heard by the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 24, 2023, in Tallahassee, Florida.

Respondent requested that the matter be continued.

The Commission reviewed Respondent's request and considered Staff's response. Respondent's request was **GRANTED**.

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

DONE AND ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on January 24, 2023.



Tim Vaccaro, J.D., Executive Director
For Nicholas Primrose, Chairman
Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:
Stephanie Cunningham, General Counsel
Juan-Carlos Planas, Esq., Attorney for Respondent
Division of Elections, Complainant

Donna Malphurs

From: Juan-Carlos Planas <jcplanas@planaslawfirm.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 11:24 AM
To: Donna Malphurs; Florida Elections Commission
Subject: Case No FEC 21-484
Attachments: NOA Rowe - Elections Commission.pdf

Good Morning:

Please see the attached Notice of Appearance and request for continuance for Linda Rowe. I was just retained on this matter and need additional time. Additionally, I would like to speak to the advocate on this matter to negotiate a settlement.

Thank you.



Juan-Carlos Planas, Esq.

Managing Partner, Law Office of Juan-Carlos Planas, P.A.

T: 850.980.6542 | E: jcplanas@planaslawfirm.com

2332 Galiano Street, 2nd Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

CASE NO.: FEC 21-484

IN RE,
LINDA ROWE
Respondent,

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**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE, DESIGNATION OF E-MAIL ADDRESS
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE**

COMES NOW, Juan-Carlos Planas, Esq., and hereby enters this Notice of Appearance on behalf of Respondent, LINDA ROWE, in the above-styled complaint, and as the attorney for said party, requests that all future pleadings, correspondence, notices, and other papers concerning this case be forwarded to his attention to the e-mails provided below. Undersigned also request an emergency continuance of the upcoming hearing in the above titled matter. Undersigned has only recently been retained and needs additional time to prepare for the matter.

Respectfully Submitted this 18th day of January 2023 by:

Law Firm of Juan-Carlos Planas, P.A.
2332 Galiano Street, 2nd Floor
Coral Gables, FL 33134
(850) 980-6542

By: s./ J.C. Planas
Juan-Carlos Planas, Esq.
Fla. Bar No.: 156167
Email: jcplanas@planaslawfirm.com

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Linda Rowe, in her capacity as Treasurer

Case No.: FEC 21-484

TO: Linda Rowe, in her capacity as Treasurer
8983 Lithia Court
Jacksonville, FL 32216

Division of Elections
500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316
Tallahassee, FL 32399-6596

NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **January 24, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86542842462?pwd=VjdKeGRjcFAvZko2Y1pTZmo1cU5pdz09>

Meeting ID: 865 4284 2462
Passcode: 5UuWmT

AUDIO PARTICIPATION:

1-301-715-8592
Meeting ID: 865 4284 2462

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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
January 9, 2023

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
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**In Re: Linda Rowe, in her capacity as
Treasurer**

Case No.: FEC 21-484

**TO: Linda Rowe, in her capacity as
Treasurer
1563 Capital Circle SE, Ste. 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301**

Division of Elections
500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316
Tallahassee, FL 32399-6596

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF HEARING
(PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)**

You are hereby notified that **the previously scheduled hearing for December 14, 2022, is cancelled.** It is anticipated that your case will be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting, which will be scheduled for a date to be determined in either January 2023 or February 2023.

A Notice of Hearing will be mailed to you approximately 14 days prior to the new hearing date.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
December 13, 2022

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Linda Rowe, in her capacity as Treasurer

Case No.: FEC 21-484

TO: Linda Rowe
1563 Capital Circle SE, Ste. 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Division of Elections
500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316
Tallahassee, FL 32399-6596

NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

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Florida Elections Commission
November 30, 2022

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Case No.: FEC 21-484

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes**. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on September 6, 2022, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On November 5, 2021, the Florida Elections Commission (“Commission”) received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections (“Division”), alleging that Linda Rowe (“Respondent”) violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent is a campaign treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney, a political committee registered with the Division. (ROI, page 1, ¶2)¹

3. By letter dated December 20, 2021, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provision:

Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes: Respondent, treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to timely make necessary amendments to the 2021 M7 and 2021 M8 reports, as alleged in the complaint.

4. By letter dated July 29, 2021, Donna S. Brown, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, sent Respondent a letter acknowledging that the Division had received its Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees forms. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1)

5. The acknowledgement letter advised Respondent that all committees that file reports with the Division are required to use the electronic filing system (“EFS”) and provided Respondent with a user identification number and initial password to grant access to the EFS. (ROI Exhibit 2, page 1)

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

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

7. Pursuant to Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes, any report that is deemed to be incomplete by the filing officer must be accepted on a conditional basis. Once the campaign treasurer is notified by certified mail or common carrier as to why the report is incomplete, the treasurer must file an addendum providing all information necessary to complete the report. Failure to do so within 7 days of receipt constitutes a violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

8. The committee's 2021 M7 and M8 reports were incomplete when filed. *See* Compl.

9. The Division sent multiple letters notifying Respondent that the reports were incomplete, and that Respondent was required to amend the reports within 7 days of receipt of the notification. (ROI Exhibits 3 & 4) Each notification contained an "Error Report," which explained why the reports were incomplete. *Id.* The final notification was certified as delivered. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 5)

10. Commission staff successfully contacted Respondent by phone on February 25, 2022. (ROI Exhibit 7, page 1) Respondent asked for and was emailed a copy of the referral and Letter of Legal Sufficiency. *Id.*

11. Respondent stated she had not seen any error report but that she was aware of her reporting errors. (ROI Exhibit 7, page 2) Respondent further stated she asked for clarification from a Division representative who said no amendments were necessary. *Id.*

12. The Division's Report Detail notes that Respondent made phone contact with the Division on September 29, 2021. (ROI Exhibit 6, page 1) A Division representative told Respondent to disregard one error but correct all remaining others. *Id.*

13. On January 10, 2022, the Division emailed FEC staff, writing that Respondent has not corrected the reports' errors. (ROI Exhibit 5, page 1)

14. "Probable Cause" is defined as reasonable grounds of suspicion supported by circumstances sufficiently strong to warrant a cautious person in the belief that the person has committed the offense charged. *Schmitt v. State*, 590 So. 2d 404, 409 (Fla. 1991). Probable cause exists where the facts and circumstances, of which an [investigator] has reasonably trustworthy information, are sufficient in themselves for a reasonable man to reach the conclusion that an offense has been committed. *Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles v. Favino*, 667 So. 2d 305, 309 (Fla. 1st DCA 1995).

15. The facts set forth above show that Respondent was a campaign treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney. Respondent failed to timely file the required amendments to the political committee's 2021 M7 and M8 reports within 7 days of receiving notification from the Division that the reports were incomplete and required amendment.

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

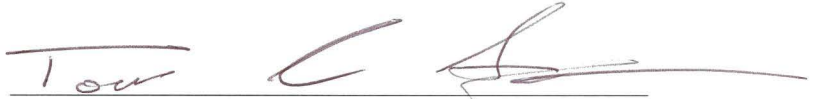
Count 1:

On or around October 20, 2021, Linda Rowe violated **Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes**, when she failed to timely file an addendum to Friends of Reggie Gaffney's 2021 M7 report within seven days after receiving notice from the Department of State, Division of Elections, that the report required amendment.

Count 2:

On or around October 20, 2021, Linda Rowe violated **Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes**, when she failed to timely file an addendum to Friends of Reggie Gaffney's 2021 M8 report within seven days after receiving notice from the Department of State, Division of Elections, that the report required amendment.

Respectfully submitted on October 7, 2022.



Todd Smith-Schoenwalder, J.D.

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 7th day of October 2022.



Stephanie J. Cunningham
General Counsel

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Failure to Timely Amend

Case Number: FEC 21-484

Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes, failure of the treasurer for a candidate or political committee to file an addendum to an incomplete report after receiving notice from the filing officer.

Respondent: Linda Rowe

Respondent's Atty: N/A

Division of Elections (Division)

Referral Filed: November 5, 2021

Respondent Type: Treasurer for Political Committee

I. Preliminary Information:

1. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by failing to file amended reports for the following campaign treasurer reports after receiving notice from the filing officer: 2021 M7 and 2021 M8.

2. An Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 6) was filed on July 28, 2021. Respondent was appointed as campaign treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney, a political committee registered with the Division. To review the DS-DE 6, refer to Exhibit 1.

3. On July 29, 2021, the Division sent Respondent a letter acknowledging Respondent's appointment as the campaign treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney. The letter advised Respondent that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on their website, including Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the *Political Committee Handbook*, and the *Calendar of Reporting Dates*. The letter further advised that it was Respondent's responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. To review the acknowledgement letter, refer to Exhibit 2.

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

4. The Division sent correspondence to the address provided on the DS-DE 6 notifying Respondent that one or more campaign treasurer reports were incomplete. The correspondence included error reports referencing the following reports: 2021 M7 and 2021 M8. To review the correspondence and error reports, refer to Exhibit 3.

5. On October 11, 2021, the Division sent a letter marked "Final Notice" with delivery confirmation to the address provided on the DS-DE 6 notifying Respondent that one or more campaign treasurer reports were incomplete. The letter included an error report referencing the following reports: 2021 M7 and 2021 M8. It was confirmed delivered on October 13, 2021. To review the "Final Notice," error report and delivery confirmation, refer to Exhibit 4.

6. In an email dated January 10, 2022, Division staff confirmed that Respondent had not correctly amended any of the reports at issue. To review the email from Division staff, refer to Exhibit 5.

7. Respondent did not respond to the referral.

8. As noted below, Respondent claimed she asked the Division for clarification and was told no amendment was necessary. Division records show that on September 29, 2021, which was after the first correspondence regarding this issue was sent to Respondent, she was told by Division staff to disregard the written letter requirement for one error but was also told that there were other errors that needed correcting. Division records also show that Division staff made two further attempts to contact Respondent by phone after the "Final Notice" was sent to her. To review the Division Report Detail, refer to Exhibit 6.

9. On February 25, 2022, I called Respondent for the purpose of providing an opportunity to discuss the allegations made in the referral. Respondent stated she was not notified of any errors but was aware of errors. Respondent further stated that she asked the Division for clarification and was told no amendment was necessary. Respondent indicated that she possessed copies of and had read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the *Political Committee Handbook*, though she stated this was the first time she had been treasurer for a political committee. To review the phone log and email, refer to Exhibit 7.

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR: 

Date: September 6, 2022

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
Linda Rowe -- FEC 21-484

LIST OF EXHIBITS	
Exhibits #s	Description of Exhibits
Exhibit 1	DS-DE 6
Exhibit 2	Acknowledgement Letter
Exhibit 3	Division Correspondence
Exhibit 4	Final Notice
Exhibit 5	Division Email
Exhibit 6	Division Report Details
Exhibit 7	Phone Log

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR
POLITICAL COMMITTEES**
(Sections 106.011(2) and 106.021(1), F.S.)

CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

Initial Filing for: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

Re-filing to Change: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer Primary/Secondary Depository

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. Committee
Friends of Reggie Gaffney

2. Telephone
(904) 349-7534

3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer
Linda Rowe

4. Email (optional)
5. Telephone (optional)
()

6. Mailing Address
1563 Capital Circle SE #125, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

7. Street Address
1563 Capital Circle, SE #125
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

8. The following bank has been designated as the Primary Depository Secondary Depository

9. Name of Bank
Ameris Bank

10. Street Address
1301 Riverplace Blvd

11. City
Jacksonville

12. State
FL

13. Zip Code
32207

14. Signature of Chairman
[Signature]

15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type)
Reggie Gaffney

Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

I, Linda Rowe, do hereby accept the appointment as
(Please Print or Type)

treasurer or deputy treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney
(Committee)

**UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S
ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AND THAT THE FACTS STATED ARE TRUE.**

July 27, 2021
Date

Linda W. Rowe
Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

RON DESANTIS
Governor

LAUREL M. LEE
Secretary of State

July 29, 2021

Reggie Gaffney, Chairperson
Friends of Reggie Gaffney
1563 Capital Circle Southeast, Suite 125
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Gaffney:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Friends of Reggie Gaffney**, which were placed on file in our office on July 28, 2021. 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 **August 10, 2021**. The report will cover the period of July 1-31, 2021 (2021 M7). 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. Enclosed are the committee's confidential, filing credentials.

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

Identification Number: 79606

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 the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the

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850.245.6240 • 850.245.6260 (Fax) • [DOS.MyFlorida.com/elections](https://dos.mylouisiana.com/elections)



Reggie Gaffney, Chairperson
July 29, 2021
Page Two

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 three 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 the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

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.

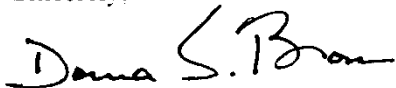
Instructions and Assistance

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 <https://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,



Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

DSB/zjs

Enclosures

pc: Linda Rowe, Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Laurel M. Lee
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

September 14, 2021

Linda Rowe, Treasurer for
Friends of Reggie Gaffney
1563 Capital Circle Southeast
Suite 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: PAC 79606

Dear Ms. Rowe:

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

Attachment

cc: Reggie Gaffney, Chairperson

Error Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Contributions

Seq	Date	Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Type	Occupation	Contribution Type	Amount	InKind	Descrip	Amend
14	08/31/02	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE	320 1ST STREET NORTH	JACKSONVILLE BEACH FL 32250	B	IT CONSULTING	CHE	\$5,000.00			

*The Transaction Date Is Either Before Or After The Report Coverage Period

*Contribution Amounts Are Limited To \$500 For This Contributor Type - Written Explanation Required

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Laurel M. Lee
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

September 29, 2021

Linda Rowe, Treasurer for
Friends of Reggie Gaffney
1563 Capital Circle Southeast
Suite 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: PAC 79606

Dear Ms. Rowe:

On September 14, 2021, you were advised that one or more of your campaign treasurer's reports were incomplete and that you had 7 days to provide the requested information.

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

Attachment

cc: Reggie Gaffney, Chairperson

Error Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Contributions

Seq	Date	Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Type	Occupation	Type	Amount	InKind	Describ	Amend
14	08/31/02	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE	320 1ST STREET NORTH	JACKSONVILLE BEACH FL 3-2250	B	IT CONSULTING	CHE	\$5,000.00			

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Compliance Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M7 (1) Covering Period: 7/18/21 - 7/31/21

Account: 79606

Overall

Contributions

Statute	FAC	Description	Seq	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	11	7/29/2021	JUSTICE PAC SOCIAL		CHE	\$4,750.00
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	12	7/30/2021	DEVELOPMENT TVC		CHE	\$15,000.00
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	13	7/30/2021	COXWELL JB		CHE	\$25,000.00

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Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Overall

Contributions

Statute	FAC	Description	Seq	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	1	8/19/2021	KEYSTONE PROPERTIES LLC		CHE	\$15,000.00
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1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	3	8/26/2021	DRIVER MCAFFEE HAWTHORNE & HIRSHNOW PLLC		CHE	\$1,000.00
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	4	8/6/2021	NESMITH CONSTRUCTION LLC		CHE	\$500.00
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	5	8/31/2021	DREAM FINDERS HOMME LLC		CHE	\$25,000.00
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Florida Department of State - Division of Elections

Compliance Report

Type: PAC - BOT

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Account: 79606

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Expenditures

Statute	FAC	Description	Seq	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount
106.07(2)		Missing or Erroneous Data	1	8/11/2021	HARLAND CLARKE CK		MON	\$206.02

Fund Transfers

Other Distributions



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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

FINAL NOTICE

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October 11, 2021

Linda Rowe, Treasurer for
Friends of Reggie Gaffney
1563 Capital Circle Southeast
Suite 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: PAC 79606

Dear Ms. Rowe:

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

Attachment

cc: Reggie Gaffney, Chairperson

Error Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Contributions		Contributor		City/State/Zip		Type		Occupation		Contribution		Amount		InKind Descrip		Amend	
14	08/31/02	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE	320 1ST STREET NORTH	JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FL	3-2260	B		IT CONSULTING	CHE		\$5,000.00						

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*Contribution Amounts Are Limited To \$500 For This Contributor Type - Written Explanation Required

Expenditures *The year reported for this transaction is 2002. This must be corrected. This error is creating the "Contribution Amounts Are Limited to \$500.00..." error due to different statues during that year.

Fund Transfers

Other Distributions - A letter of explanation is not required due to the above mentioned reason.

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney Type: PAC - BOT
Report: 2021 M7 (1) Covering Period: 7/18/21 - 7/31/21 Account: 79606

Contributions

Statute	FAC	Description	Seg	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount
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1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	13	7/30/2021	COXWELL JB		CHE	\$25,000.00

Expenditures

and Transfers

Other Disbursements

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21 Account: 79606

Contributions

Statute	FAC	Description	Seg	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	1	8/19/2021	KEYSTONE PROPERTIES LLC		CHE	\$15,000.00
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1S-2.017 F		Financial activity not reported properly - Zip code missing	10	8/31/2021	BREEZE HOMES LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	11	8/31/2021	CORNER LOT LIVING LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00
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1S-2.017 F		Financial activity not reported properly - Zip code missing	12	8/31/2021	CLDG MANAGEMENT INC		CHE	\$1,000.00
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	14	8/31/2022	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE		CHE	\$5,000.00

-Business/Entity can only be reported in the "last name" field.

Florida Department of State - Division of Elections
Compliance Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney Type: PAC - BOT
Report: 2021 MB (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21 Account: 79606

Expenditures		Expenditure						
Statute	FAC	Description	Seg	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount
106.07(2)		Missing or Erroneous Data	1	8/1/2021	HARLAND CLARKE CK		MON	\$206.02

*The complete address is not listed, zip code is missing.

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Mail - Charles Mellow - Outlook

FW: Request on Failure to Amend Report(s) - Account # 79606 - Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Brown, Donna S. <Donna.Brown@dos.myflorida.com>

Mon 1/10/2022 12:00 PM

To: Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com>

Charles – See the auditor’s comments below.

From: Baker, Sheena T. <Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com>

Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 11:52 AM

To: Brown, Donna S. <Donna.Brown@dos.myflorida.com>

Subject: Re: Request on Failure to Amend Report(s) - Account # 79606 - Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Good Morning,

No changes have been made to correct the errors listed on the 2021 M7 nor 2021 M8 reports that were listed on the below mentioned FEC referral.

From: Brown, Donna S. <Donna.Brown@dos.myflorida.com>

Sent: Friday, January 7, 2022 12:04 PM

To: Baker, Sheena T. <Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com>; Howard, Daryl L. <Daryl.Howard@dos.myflorida.com>

Subject: FW: Request on Failure to Amend Report(s) - Account # 79606 - Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Can one of you check the reports and let me know.

From: Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com>

Sent: Thursday, January 06, 2022 10:40 AM

To: Brown, Donna S. <Donna.Brown@dos.myflorida.com>

Subject: Request on Failure to Amend Report(s) - Account # 79606 - Friends of Reggie Gaffney

EMAIL RECEIVED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCE

The attachments/links in this message have been scanned by Proofpoint.

Have the following report(s) been amended to correct all error(s) identified by the Division in the attached Final Notice letter(s)? If so, on what date was each report amended to correct all such errors?

2021 M7 -

2021 M8 -

Account/Seq	79606	1	Election/Type
Friends of Reggie Gaffney			20221108-GEN
			PAC

Status/Reviewer	Mailed	Type/Reed	R E S P O N S E
SN stbaker	1st: 9/14/2021	AUT	
11/2/21 9:08 am	2nd: 9/29/2021	10/13/2021	
	3rd: 10/11/2021		

NOTES: 11/2/21 - Referring to FEC due to no changes made. -stb

10/29/21 - Due to no response to notices and no return calls, requesting to refer to FEC, if changes are not made by 11/2/21, will send FEC Ref. -stb

10/26/2021 - I attempted to make phone contact with Ms. Linda Rowe in reference to compliance and completion errors that needs her immediate attention. Since I did not get an answer, I had to leave a voice message requesting a return call. Dlh

10/13/21 - I attempted to make phone contact with Ms. Linda Rowe in reference to compliance and completion errors that needs her immediate attention. Since I did not get an answer, I had to leave a voice message requesting a return call. dlh

10/8/21 - Upon discussing the below mentioned error regarding the \$500 limit with Chief Brown, it was discovered that it was not a computer glitch. The error is showing due to the year (2002) that the transaction was posted as transpiring. In the year 2002, there was a \$500 limit on this type of transaction and the system is basing it on the transaction date listed. The date for this transaction needs to be corrected and that will clear the limit error. There are still a number of compliance errors regarding the Business/Intity Name being listed in the First and Last name fields. Will send final notice on 10/11/21, if these errors are not corrected. -stb

9/29/21 -Received call regarding sequence #14 errors, I advised caller that the error that references the limit being \$500 for the contribution type of business is not correct and that the caller could disregard the written letter requirment for that error and explained that there were other errors that needed correcting. No other changes made, sending second notice. -DLH

9/23/21 - Upon reviewing audit for possible updates/corrections, I noticed a number of compliance errors on this report and added them. I also notice that there are complice errors on the 2021 M7 report and added those to this audit as well. There appears to be a systems error in the 2021 M8 report regarding the contribution amount in reference to the contributor type. I will brings this to Chief Donna Brown's attention so corrective measures can be made to the system. Placing audit in Hold status until this matter has been corrected. -stb

**FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
PHONE LOG
Case No.: FEC 21-484**

Respondent: Linda Rowe

Complainant: Division of Elections

1. **Date and time:** 02/25/2022; 10:39 a.m.
Name: Linda Rowe - Respondent
Phone #: (904) 349-7534
Summary: Called Respondent. Phone was answered by Reginald. Respondent was put on the phone. I identified who I was and who I was with. Explained I was calling about FEC 21-484 and said she would call me back on her phone.
Entered by: CM

2. **Date and time:** 02/25/2022; 10:41 a.m.
Name: Linda Rowe - Respondent
Phone #: (904) 673-1699 – Respondent’s Cell
Summary: Spoke with Respondent. Asked that I send her copies of the referral from the Division and LS letter. Had to take another call and would call back. Emailed copies of the referral and LS to lrowe@communityrehabcenter.org .
Entered by: CM

3. **Date and time:** 02/25/2022; 10:56 a.m.
Name: Linda Rowe - Respondent
Phone #: (904) 673-1699 – Respondent’s Cell
Summary: Spoke with Respondent. Explained case number FEC 21-484. Ms. Rowe was cooperative and willing to answer questions about the case, which can be reviewed in the “**RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO**” below.

I informed Ms. Rowe when I conclude my investigation, a copy of the Report of Investigation (ROI) will be mailed to her. Based on the results of the investigation, a staff attorney will prepare and present a written Staff Recommendation (SR) to the Commission. She will have an opportunity to respond to both the ROI and the SR.
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4. **Date and time:** 02/28/2022; 02:27 p.m.
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Phone #: (904) 660-2600/(904) 673-1699 – Respondent’s Cell
Summary: Returned Respondent’s call and left message for Respondent to call me back.
Entered by: CM

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Name:
Phone #:
Summary:
Entered by:

6. **Date and time:**

Name:

Phone #:

Summary:

Entered by:

RESPONDENT INTERVIEW MEMO – Call details at #3


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- Have you ever run for public office? **No, and never will.** If so, please name each office you ran for and state what year each election occurred.
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- What action have you taken to determine your responsibilities under Florida's election laws?
- Do you possess a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes? **Yes.** If so, when did you first obtain it? **Got it online on my own before I was appointed treasurer, to see what it was all about.** Have you read it? **Yes.**
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- Did you receive any other materials from your filing officer? **No.** If so, please describe them.
- Do you have anything else to add for the Commission's consideration regarding the charges specified in the letter of legal sufficiency in this case? **Haven't taken anything for granted. Took this position seriously.**

FED 21-484

Charles Mellow <Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com>

Fri 2/25/2022 10:55 AM

To: Irowe@communityrehabcenter.org <Irowe@communityrehabcenter.org>

 2 attachments (1 MB)

21-484_Referral_11-05-21.pdf; 21-484_LS Ltr_12-20-21.pdf;

Attached are the referral from the Division of Elections with error reports and legal sufficient letter from the Florida Elections Commission for FEC 21-484.

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Florida Elections Commission

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December 20, 2021

Linda Rowe, Treasurer
Friends of Reggie Gaffney
1563 Capital Circle, SE, Suite 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301

RE: Case No.: FEC 21-484; Respondent: Linda Rowe

Dear Ms. Rowe:

On November 5, 2021, 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 violation:

Section 106.07(2)(b)1., Florida Statutes: Respondent, treasurer for Friends of Reggie Gaffney, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to timely make necessary amendments to the 2021 M7 and 2021 M8 reports, as alleged in the complaint.

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

Pursuant to Section 106.25(4)(i)3., Florida Statutes, the Commission may enter into a consent agreement with a Respondent to settle a complaint prior to a finding of probable cause. If you are interested in entering negotiations directed towards reaching a consent agreement to resolve this matter, please contact the Commission and request to speak with the attorney assigned to this case.

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

Linda Rowe
December 20, 2021
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FEC 21-484

Pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 or 106, Florida Statutes, are confidential until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause, unless the Respondent files a written waiver of confidentiality with the Commission. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the Complainant or the Respondent.

Should 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.

For additional information, please refer to the "Frequently Asked Questions" section of the Commission's website.

If you have additional questions, please contact **Chuck Mellow**, the investigator assigned to this case, by phone at (850) 922-4539 or by email at Charles.Mellow@myfloridalegal.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tim Vaccaro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Tim Vaccaro
Executive Director

TV/mw

**DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
FEC NOTICE FORM**

To FEC from Division of Elections

REC'D: FL ELECTIONS COM
5 NOV '21 PM 4:01

Name: Friends of Reggie Gaffney
Account Number: 79606
Chairperson: Reggie Gaffney
Treasurer: Linda Rowe
Registered Agent: Linda Rowe

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

2021 M7

2021 M8

- On July 28, 2021, **Friends of Reggie Gaffney** (79606) registered as a political committee with the Division and has remained in an active status since that date. Reggie Gaffney is the chairperson. Linda Rowe is the treasurer and the registered agent.
- On September 14, 2021, the Division mailed **Friends of Reggie Gaffney** notification that one or more campaign treasurer's reports were incomplete.
- On September 29, 2021, the Division mailed **Friends of Reggie Gaffney** notification that one or more campaign treasurer's reports were incomplete.
- On October 11, 2021, the Division mailed **Friends of Reggie Gaffney** final notification with delivery confirmation that one or more campaign treasurer's reports were incomplete. (See attached letter and delivery confirmation.)
- As of November 2, 2021, one or more campaign treasurer's reports remain incomplete.

Sent By: Donna S. Brown *DSB*
Date: November 2, 2021
stb



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Laurel M. Lee
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

FINAL NOTICE

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October 11, 2021

Linda Rowe, Treasurer for
Friends of Reggie Gaffney
1563 Capital Circle Southeast
Suite 125
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: PAC 79606

Dear Ms. Rowe:

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

Attachment

cc: Reggie Gaffney, Chairperson

Error Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Contributions

Contributor

Contribution

<u>Seq</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City/State/Zip</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>InKind</u>	<u>Descrip</u>	<u>Amend</u>
14	08/31/02	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE	320 1ST STREET NORTH	JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FL 3-2250	B	IT CONSULTING	CHE	\$5,000.00			

*The Transaction Date Is Either Before Or After The Report Coverage Period

*Contribution Amounts Are Limited To \$500 For This Contributor Type - Written Explanation Required

Expenditures

Fund Transfers

Other Distributions

* The year reported for this transaction is 2002. This must be corrected. This error is creating the "Contribution Amounts Are Limited to \$500.00..." error due to different statues during that year.
 - A letter of explanation is not required due to the above mentioned reason.

Compliance Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M7 (1) Covering Period: 7/18/21 - 7/31/21

Account: 79606

Overall

Contributions

			Contribution						
Statute	FAC	Description	Seq	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	11	7/29/2021	JUSTICE PAC SOCIAL		CHE	\$4,750.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	12	7/30/2021	DEVELOPMENT TVC		CHE	\$15,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	13	7/30/2021	COXWELL JB		CHE	\$25,000.00	

Expenditures

and Transfers

Other Distributions

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Overall

Contributions

			Contribution						
Statute	FAC	Description	Seq	Date	Name	City	Type	Amount	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	1	8/19/2021	KEYSTONE PROPERTIES LLC		CHE	\$15,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	2	8/26/2021	VENTURES LLC COLUMBIA		CHE	\$5,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	3	8/26/2021	DRIVER MCAFFEE HAWTHORNE & NIFRNOW P L L C		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	4	8/6/2021	NESMITH CONSTRUCTION LLC		CHE	\$500.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	5	8/31/2021	DREAM FINDERS HOMME LLC		CHE	\$25,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	7	8/31/2021	LIVE BAR		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	8	8/31/2021	CL BREEZE LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	9	8/31/2021	CHRISTIAN ALLEN LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	10	8/31/2021	BREEZE HOMES LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Financial activity not reported properly - Zip code missing -	10	8/31/2021	BREEZE HOMES LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	11	8/31/2021	CORNER LOT LIVING LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Financial activity not reported property - Zip code missing -	11	8/31/2021	CORNER LOT LIVING LLC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	12	8/31/2021	CLDG MANAGEMENT INC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Financial activity not reported property - Zip code missing -	12	8/31/2021	CLDG MANAGEMENT INC		CHE	\$1,000.00	
1S-2.017 F		Business/entity name reported in first name field	14	8/31/2002	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE		CHE	\$5,000.00	

-Business/Entity can only be reported in the "last name" field.

Compliance Report

Committee: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Type: PAC - BOT

Report: 2021 M8 (2) Covering Period: 8/1/21 - 8/31/21

Account: 79606

Expenditures

Expenditure

<u>Statute</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Seq</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>
106.07(2)		Missing or Erroneous Data	1	8/11/2021	HARLAND CLARKE CK		MON	\$206.02

Fund Transfers
Other Distributions

* The complete address is not listed, zip code is missing.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301

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Queued Items for 2021-M7

Account: 79606

Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Rpt Seq: 1

<i>ProcessDescription</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Created</i>	<i>LastUpdate</i>
Create Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/9/2021 3:46:59 PM	8/9/2021 3:46:59 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/10/2021 4:19:43 PM	8/10/2021 4:19:43 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/10/2021 4:26:01 PM	8/10/2021 4:26:01 PM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/10/2021 5:43:34 PM	8/10/2021 5:43:35 PM
Review Filed Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/10/2021 8:01:01 PM	8/10/2021 8:01:01 PM
Amend Filed Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/11/2021 12:46:08 PM	8/11/2021 12:46:08 PM
Recalc Pending Report Total	Processing Complete	79606	8/11/2021 12:49:13 PM	8/11/2021 12:49:13 PM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/11/2021 1:24:14 PM	8/11/2021 1:24:14 PM
Amend Filed Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/24/2021 9:52:25 AM	8/24/2021 9:52:25 AM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/24/2021 9:59:53 AM	8/24/2021 9:59:53 AM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/24/2021 10:01:06 AM	8/24/2021 10:01:06 AM
Review Filed Report	Processing Complete	stbaker	10/29/2021 11:35:33 AM	10/29/2021 11:35:55 AM
Review Filed Report	Processing Complete	stbaker	11/2/2021 8:35:19 AM	11/2/2021 8:35:54 AM

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

(1) Friends of Reggie Gaffney (2) 79606
 Candidate, Committe or Party Name I.D. Number

(3) 1563 Capital Circle Southeast Tallahassee FL 32301
 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 Existance Check If CCE has DISBANDED
 Party Executive Committee

(5) REPORT IDENTIFIERS

Cover Period: From 07/18/2021 To 07/31/2021 Report Type: M7

Original Amendment Special Election Report

(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT

Cash & Checks	\$151,750.00
Loans	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$151,750.00
In-Kind	\$0.00

(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT

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

(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

Name: Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Report: 2021 MZ

Period: 07/18/2021 to 07/31/2021

** 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
1 07/28/2021	OPPORTUNITY ZONES AMERICA, LLC 10150 N. AMBASSADOR DR. KANSAS CITY, MO 64153	B CHE	CONSULTING	\$5,000.00
2 07/28/2021	JOHN D WEBB P.A. OPERATING ACCOUNT 12380 ALADDIN RD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32223-3208	B CHE	ATTORNEY	\$1,000.00
3 07/28/2021	HART RESOURCES LLC 8051 TARA LANE JACKSONVILLE, FL 32216	B CHE	DEVELOPMENT	\$5,000.00
4 07/30/2021	JACKSONVILLE KENNEL CLUB, INC P.O. BOX 959 ORANGE PARK, FL 32067-0959	B CHE	SPECTATOR SPORTS	\$10,000.00
5 07/29/2021	OUTDOOR DEPOT, INC. 5340 W BEAVER ST JACKSONVILLE, FL 32254	B CHE	OUTDOOR SUPPLIES	\$2,000.00
6 07/29/2021	CRC TRANSPORTATION LLC 5320 N. PEARL ST. JACKSONVILLE FL, FL 32208	B CHE	TRANSPORTATION	\$5,000.00
7 07/22/2021	SIGNATURE LAND, INC P.O. BOX 939 YULEE, FL 32041	B CHE	DEVELOPMENT	\$4,000.00
8 07/29/2021	LA FIESTA OCEAN INN & SUITES 810 A1A BEACH BLVD ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32080-6711	B CHE	HOSPITALITY	\$25,000.00
9 07/29/2021	JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS, LLC ONE TIAA BANK FIELD DRIVE JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202	B CHE	SPECTATOR SPORTS	\$25,000.00
10 07/27/2021	BAKER, JOHN, D 200 W FORSYTH ST JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202-4349	I CHE	REAL ESTATE	\$25,000.00
11 07/29/2021	JUSTICE PAC SOCIAL 1563 CAPITAL CIRCLE SE NUM 395 TALLAHASSEE, FL 32311	F CHE	PAC	\$4,750.00 UPD
* 11 07/29/2021	SOCIAL JUSTICE PAC 1563 CAPITAL CIRCLE SE NUM 395 TALLAHASSEE, FL 32311	F CHE	PAC	\$4,750.00 ADD History 08/24/21
12 07/30/2021	DEVELOPMENT TVC 3030 HARTLEY ROAD SUITE 310 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32257	B CHE	DEVELOPER	\$15,000.00 UPD
* 12 07/30/2021	TVC DEVELOPMENT 3030 HARTLEY ROAD SUITE 310 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32257	B CHE	DEVELOPER	\$15,000.00 ADD History 08/24/21
13 07/30/2021	COXWELL JB 6741 LLOYD ROAD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32254	B CHE	CONSTRUCTION	\$25,000.00 UPD
* 13 07/30/2021	JB COXWELL 6741 LLOYD ROAD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32254	B CHE	CONSTRUCTION	\$25,000.00 ADD History 08/24/21

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Queued Items for 2021-M8

Account: 79606

Friends of Reggie Gaffney

Rpt Seq: 2

<i>ProcessDescription</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Submitter</i>	<i>Created</i>	<i>LastUpdate</i>
Create Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	8/31/2021 1:01:05 PM	8/31/2021 1:01:05 PM
Recalc Pending Report Total	Processing Complete	79606	9/1/2021 10:08:16 AM	9/1/2021 10:08:16 AM
Recalc Pending Report Total	Processing Complete	79606	9/2/2021 1:49:53 PM	9/2/2021 1:49:53 PM
Recalc Pending Report Total	Processing Complete	79606	9/7/2021 1:42:42 PM	9/7/2021 1:42:42 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	9/9/2021 1:09:36 PM	9/9/2021 1:09:36 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	9/9/2021 1:10:27 PM	9/9/2021 1:10:27 PM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	79606	9/9/2021 1:13:48 PM	9/9/2021 1:13:48 PM
Review Filed Report	Processing Complete	stbaker	9/13/2021 10:52:54 AM	9/13/2021 10:52:54 AM
Review Filed Report	Processing Complete	stbaker	10/29/2021 11:36:06 AM	10/29/2021 11:36:06 AM
Review Filed Report	Processing Complete	stbaker	11/2/2021 8:35:47 AM	11/2/2021 8:35:55 AM

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

(1) Friends of Reggie Gaffney (2) 79606
Candidate, Committee or Party Name I.D. Number

(3) 1563 Capital Circle Southeast Tallahassee FL 32301
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 08/01/2021 To 08/31/2021 Report Type: M8
 Original Amendment Special Election Report

(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT

Cash & Checks	\$67,500.00
Loans	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$67,500.00
In-Kind	\$1,339.00

(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT

Monetary Expenditures	\$206.02
Transfers to Office Account	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$206.02

(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

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		Type	In-Kind Description	
1	KEYSTONE PROPERTIES LLC 1915 WIGMORE STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL 32206	B	REAL ESTATE	\$15,000.00
08/19/2021		CHE		
2	VENTURES LLC COLUMBIA 1454 LA FRANCE STREET, STE 200 ATLANTA, GA 30307	B	REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT	\$5,000.00
08/26/2021		CHE		
3	DRIVER MCAFEE HAWTHORNE & DIEBENOW PLLC ONE INDEPENDENT DRIVE STE 1200 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202	B	ATTORNEYS	\$1,000.00
08/26/2021		CHE		
4	NESMITH CONSTRUCTION LLC 3041 DOLLY DRIVE STE 2 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32218	B	CONSTRUCTION	\$500.00
08/06/2021		CHE		
5	DREAM FINDERS HOMME LLC 14701 PHILLIPS HIGHWAY JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256	B	DEVELOPER	\$25,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
6	POWELL, FITZHUGH 219 N NEWNAN STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202	I	BUSINESS OWNER	\$10,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
7	LIVE BAR 331 EAST BAY STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202	B	RESTAURANT	\$1,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
8	CL BREEZE LLC 1819 GOODWIN STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL 32204	B	REAL ESTATE	\$1,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
9	CHRISTIAN ALLEN LLC 1611 ATLANTIC AVENUE JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207	B	REAL ESTATE	\$1,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
10	BREEZE HOMES LLC 1819 GOODWIN STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL	B	REAL ESTATE	\$1,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
11	CORNER LOT LIVING LLC 1611 ATLANTIC AVENUE JACKSONVILLE, FL	B	REAL ESTATE	\$1,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
12	CLDG MANAGEMENT INC 1819 GOODWIN STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL	B	REAL ESTATE	\$1,000.00
08/31/2021		CHE		
13	POWELL, FITZHUGH 219 N NEWNAN STREET JACKSONVILLE, FL	I	INSURANCE AGENT	\$1,339.00
08/31/2021		INK	RECEPTION	
* 14	SOLUTIONS CONSULTING SAGE 320 1ST STREET NORTH JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FL 32250	B	IT CONSULTING	\$5,000.00
08/31/2002		CHE		

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1 08/11/2021	HARLAND CLARKE CK 15955 LA CANTERA PARKWAY SAN ANTONIO, TX	MON	CHECK ORDER	\$206.02

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Account/Seq	79606	1	Election/Type
Friends of Reggie Gaffney			20221108-GEN
			PAC

Status/Reviewer	Mailed	Type/Recd	R E S P O N S E
SN stbaker	1st: 9/14/2021	AUT	
11/2/21 9:08 am	2nd: 9/29/2021	10/13/2021	
	3rd: 10/11/2021		

NOTES: 11/2/21 - Referring to FEC due to no changes made. -stb

10/29/21 - Due to no response to notices and no return calls, requesting to refer to FEC, if changes are not made by 11/2/21, will send FEC Ref. -stb

10/26/2021 - I attempted to make phone contact with Ms. Linda Rowe in reference to compliance and completion errors that needs her immediate attention. Since I did not get an answer, I had to leave a voice message requesting a return call. DLh

10/13/21 - I attempted to make phone contact with Ms. Linda Rowe in reference to compliance and completion errors that needs her immediate attention. Since I did not get an answer, I had to leave a voice message requesting a return call. dlh

10/8/21 - Upon discussing the below mentioned error regarding the \$500 limit with Chief Brown, it was discovered that it was not a computer glitch. The error is showing due to the year (2002) that the transaction was posted as transpiring. In the year 2002, there was a \$500 limit on this type of transaction and the system is basing it on the transaction date listed. The date for this transaction needs to be corrected and that will clear the limit error. There are still a number of compliance errors regarding the Business/Intity Name being listed in the First and Last name fields. Will send final notice on 10/11/21, if these errors are not corrected. -stb

9/29/21 -Received call regarding sequence #14 errors, I advised caller that the error that references the limit being \$500 for the contribution type of business is not correct and that the caller could disregard the written letter requirment for that error and explained that there were other errors that needed correcting. No other changes made, sending second notice. -DLH

9/23/21 - Upon reviewing audit for possible updates/corrections, I noticed a number of compliance errors on this report and added them. I also notice that there are complice errors on the 2021 M7 report and added those to this audit as well. There appears to be a systems error in the 2021 M8 report regarding the contribution amount in reference to the contributor type. I will brings this to Chief Donna Brown's attention so corrective measures can be made to the system. Placing audit in Hold status until this matter has been corrected. -stb

HISTORY NOTES
Friends of Reggie Gaffney - 79606

Unique ID	Date Recorded	Last Edited Date	Originally Recorded By
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75381	8/9/2021 2:00:00 PM		zjsantos
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RE: Credentials

I spoke to the officers and released the credentials to them over the phone.
