

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Conservatives for a Better Miami-Dade

Case No.: FEC 24-456

TO: Juan-Carlos Porras, Chair
2100 Salzedo Street, Suite 200
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Division of Elections
500 S. Bronough Street
RA Gray Building, Room 316
Tallahassee, FL 32399

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINES (AF))

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **August 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, at the following location: **Virtual Meeting via Webinar link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3863768971242962781> and Webinar ID 748-293-987.**

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.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
August 5, 2025

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.

STAFF MEMORANDUM

This matter is scheduled as an appeal of an automatic fine imposed by the Division of Elections (“Division” or “Filing Officer”) against Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade (“Appellant”) following the late filing of the 2024 G6 Report pursuant to Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes.

Appellant is a political committee currently registered with the Division. Appellant’s 2024 G6 Report was due on November 1, 2024. On November 1, 2024, Appellant submitted a waiver of the 2024 G6 Report pursuant to Section 106.07(7), Fla. Stat. Three (3) days later, on November 4, 2024, Appellant filed the 2024 G6 Report under Section 106.07(1), Fla. Stat. The report reflected one (1) contribution from another political committee totaling \$1,000.00. Pursuant to Section 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat., the Division assessed a fine of \$150.00 based on the number of days late.

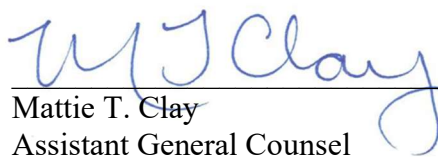
The Commission’s objective for automatic fine appeals is to determine whether the aggrieved party’s report was timely filed and, if not, whether the party demonstrated unusual circumstances—or other circumstances beyond the party’s control—that directly caused the report to be late. Florida Administrative Code Rule 2B-1.005(3); § 106.07(8)(c), Fla. Stat.; *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook* (2022), page 74. Unusual circumstances are rare or sudden events that directly prevented the party from timely filing. Fla. Admin. Code R. 2B-1.0055(1). Examples of unusual circumstances include natural disasters and emergencies; death, illness, disability, or necessary surgery of the candidate, treasurer, or immediate family thereof; and unanticipated technological failures. Most of the subsections enumerate corroborative evidence that the aggrieved party needs to provide for the claim, such as a newspaper article, death certificate, or a physician’s certification on professional letterhead. Fla. Admin. Code R. 2B-1.0055(1)(a)-(d). The Division’s Advisory Opinion, DE 91-02 (1991), specifies that, “before the

FEC may label these occurrences as ‘unusual circumstances,’ the FEC must determine that the persons involved took all steps necessary to ensure that a timely report was filed.”

The submission at issue before the Commission is the 2024 G6 Report filed on November 4, 2024, which discloses one (1) contribution, rather than the notice of no report filed on November 1, 2024. Campaign reports contain all contributions received and all expenditures made during a reporting period. § 106.07(1) and (4), Fla. Stat. A committee with no activity may waive the required report for a specified period under Section 106.07(7), Fla. Stat., but must notify the filing officer in writing that “no report is being filed.” *Handbook*, page 54. Committees registered with the Division do so by selecting the “waiver” option in the Division’s Electronic Filing System (“EFS”). § 106.0705(2)(a); *Candidate EFS User’s Guide*, page 13; *Handbook*, page 54. A waiver filed pursuant to Section 106.07(7), Fla. Stat., is not a report but a notice stating that no report has been filed due to no reportable activity; however, the Commission may choose to consider a party’s reasons for filing a waiver under mitigating and aggravating circumstances as outlined in Section 106.265(3), Fla. Stat.

Rule 2B-1.005(2), Fla. Admin. Code, specifies that the appealing party has twenty (20) days from acceptance of the appeal to submit any documents supporting the appeal. Appellant timely submitted an initial statement. While the Commission may consider subsequent supplemental documents no later than five (5) business days before the hearing, i.e., August 12, 2025, the record currently reflects that the 2024 G6 Report was not timely filed.

Respectfully submitted by,


Mattie T. Clay
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Elections Commission

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
CASE REPORT
Case Number: FEC 24-456

NAME: **CONSERVATIVES FOR A BETTER MIAMI-DADE**

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 12/02/2024

DATE REPORT DUE: 11/01/2024 (2024 G6)

DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT: 11/04/2024

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 3

AMOUNT OF FINE: **\$150.00**

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

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$1,000.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$0

DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION: 11/13/2024 (Fine Ltr)

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|---------------------|--------------|
| CANDIDATE [] | STATE [X] |
| PC [X] | DISTRICT [] |
| CCE [] | COUNTY [] |
| POLITICAL PARTY [] | CITY [] |
| ECO [] | |

SUMMARY: Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade is a political committee (PC) registered with the State of Florida. The PC's chair is Representative Juan Porras, and its treasurer is Brian A. Quintana.

The PC is appealing the fine. According to the treasurer, Mr. Quintana, a waiver was initially submitted for the 2024 G6 period. However, due to administrative oversight, they amended the submission, which resulted in the fine. He states that a \$1,000 contribution was reported on the 2024 G6 Report for the campaign of Juan Porras instead of the committee. They amended the report to reflect that activity and request a waiver of the fine due to the circumstances.

- The 2024 G6 Original Report covers the period from 10/19/24-10/31/24; it was due on 11/01/24.
- The 2024 G6 Queued Transaction Report shows that it was created and filed on 11/01/24.¹
- Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade reported receiving 1 contribution while making zero expenditures.
- FEC staff was advised, "The committee filed a notice of no activity (waiver) on 11/01/24. A waiver is not a report. On 11/04/24, the committee filed a report showing \$1,000.00 of activity. The fine is based on the number of days late."
- The Division of Elections does not have any notes that pertain to Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade's 2024 G6 Report.

PRIOR CASES: NONE.

¹ The filing discussed in this bullet refers to the waiver that reflected zero activity.



The Florida House of Representatives

Representative Juan Carlos Porras

District 119

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Miami, FL 33186

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Tallahassee Office:

1102 House Office Building

402 South Monroe Street

Tallahassee, FL, 32399

(850) 717-5119

JuanCarlos.Porras@myfloridahouse.gov

December 11, 2024

Florida Elections Commission
107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6596

RE: Case No.: FEC 24-456; Campaign Treasurer's Report Personal Representative Assignment Later

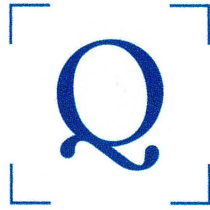
To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing affirm that Brian Quintana was representing me when he submitted the initial intent to appeal the fine associated with my case. It is my intent to appeal the fine assessed against my committee and Brain Quintana is my personal representative on this matter. In addition, I endorse the letter of appeal he sent previously. Thank you and please let me know if you have any other inquiries.

Respectfully,

Juan Carlos Porras

Juan Carlos Porras
Florida House of Representatives, Dist. 119



QUINTANA TAX, PLLC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
TAX, ACCOUNTING, & ADVISORY SERVICES

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COM
EC 24 PM 4:00

November 22, 2024

Florida Election Commission
107 West Gaines Street, ste 224
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0150

To whom it may concern,

Conservatives for a Better Miami-Dade is in receipt of a notice from the Florida Department of State and is being assessed a penalty of \$150 for filing Report G6 late. The letter is claiming that the due date was Friday, 11/1/2024, and our report was filed on Monday, 11/4/2024.

We understand that the original G6 Report that was filed was a waiver report, and as a result, because we added a contribution after the fact, that is what is triggering the penalty.

This was an administrative oversight, as the \$1,000 contribution that was added to the Amended G6 Report for Conservatives for a Better Miami Dade, was originally reported on the G6 Report for the Campaign of Juan Porras (83689), which was also filed on Friday, 11/1/2024.

When we returned to the office on Monday, 11/4/2024, it was noticed that even though the contribution was deposited into the correct bank account of Conservatives for a Better Miami-Dade, the actual contribution was reported in the Campaign report, and not the PAC report.

We immediately amended both G6 reports to reflect this.

We are asking the Commission to please forgive the \$150 penalty, as it was done purely as an administrative error.

Any questions or concerns, please reach out to my office.

Thank you,


Brian A. Quintana, CPA.
Treasurer

Quintana Tax, PLLC.

(305) 454-4026

2100 Salzedo Street, Suite 200

Coral Gables, FL 33134



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Cord Byrd
Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

November 13, 2024

Juan Porras, Chairperson
Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade
15703 Southwest 43 Lane
Miami, FL 33185

PAC 8J066

Dear Mr. Porras:

The campaign treasurer's report that was due on November 1, 2024, was filed on November 4, 2024. By law, you are automatically assessed a late fine of \$150.00.

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 dark ink, appearing to read "Donna S. Brown".

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records



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Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

USPS TRACKING # **9488 8178 9820 3256 4104 03**

FOR TRACKING GO TO [USPS.COM](https://usps.com)

Final Notice
Delivery Confirmation:

January 6, 2025

Juan Porras, Chairperson
Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade
15703 Southwest 43 Lane
Miami, FL 33185

PAC 81066

Dear Mr. Porras:

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Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

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

- (1) Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade (2) 81066
Candidate, Committee or Party Name I.D. Number
- (3) 2100 Salzedo Street, Suite 200 Coral Gables FL 33134
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 10/19/2024 To 10/31/2024 Report Type: G6
☐ Original ☒ Amendment ☐ Special Election Report

(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Cash & Checks | \$1,000.00 |
| Loans | \$0.00 |
| <i>Total Monetary</i> | \$1,000.00 |
| 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: Conservatives For A Better Miami-DadeReport: 2024 G6Period: 10/19/2024 to 10/31/2024**** Records in Filed Report ****

| Seq # Date | Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip | Contributor | Occupation | Amount Amend |
|-----------------|--|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | Type | In-Kind Description | |
| 1 10/31/2024 | NAIOP FLORIDA PAC 301 E PINE ST STE 1400 ORLANDO, FL 32801 | F CHE | PAC | \$1,000.00 ADD |

ID:

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

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Name: Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade

Report: 2024 G6

Period: 10/19/2024 to 10/31/2024

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

| Seq # Date | Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip | Type | Purpose | Amount |
|---------------|--|------|---------|--------|
| | | | | Amend |
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ID:

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED FUND TRANSFERS

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Name: Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade

Report: 2024 G6

Period: 10/19/2024 to 10/31/2024

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

| Seq # Date | Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip | Type | Nature of Account | Amount |
|---------------|--|------|-------------------|--------|
| | | | | Amend |
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CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED DISTRIBUTIONS

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Name: Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade

Report: 2024 G6

Period: 10/19/2024 to 10/31/2024

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

| Seq # Date | Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip | Recipient | Purpose | Amount |
|---------------|--|-----------|---------------------|--------|
| | | Type | Related Expenditure | Amend |
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Queued Items for 2024-G6

Account: 81066 Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade
Rpt Seq: 67

| <i>ProcessDescription</i> | <i>Status</i> | <i>Submitter</i> | <i>Created</i> | <i>LastUpdate</i> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Create Pending Report | Processing Complete | 81066 | 11/1/2024 12:48:35 PM | 11/1/2024 12:48:35 PM |
| File Pending Report | Processing Complete | 81066 | 11/1/2024 12:49:44 PM | 11/1/2024 12:49:44 PM |
| Amend Filed Report | Processing Complete | 81066 | 11/4/2024 2:53:39 PM | 11/4/2024 2:53:39 PM |
| Recalc Pending Report Total | Processing Complete | 81066 | 11/4/2024 3:04:45 PM | 11/4/2024 3:04:45 PM |
| Review Pending Report | Processing Complete | 81066 | 11/4/2024 3:04:47 PM | 11/4/2024 3:04:47 PM |
| File Pending Report | Processing Complete | 81066 | 11/4/2024 3:05:43 PM | 11/4/2024 3:05:43 PM |


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Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Committee Name: Conservatives For A Better Miami-DadeName: **Account:** 81066

Election:

Acct: Type:

| Date Due | Type | Date Filed | Status | Days Late | Fine Assessed | Appealed | Amount Fined | Amount Paid |
|------------|------|------------|--------|-----------|---------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| 11/1/2024 | G6 | 11/1/2024 | SNT | 0 | \$150.00 | | \$150.00 | \$0.00 |
| 10/31/2024 | D6 | 10/31/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/30/2024 | D5 | 10/30/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/29/2024 | D4 | 10/29/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/28/2024 | D3 | 10/28/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/27/2024 | D2 | 10/28/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/26/2024 | D1 | 10/26/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/25/2024 | G5 | 10/22/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/18/2024 | G4A | 10/16/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/11/2024 | G4 | 10/9/2024 | | | | | | |
| 10/4/2024 | G3A | 10/3/2024 | | | | | | |
| 9/27/2024 | G3 | 9/26/2024 | | | | | | |
| 9/20/2024 | G2A | 9/19/2024 | | | | | | |
| 9/13/2024 | G2 | 9/11/2024 | | | | | | |
| 9/6/2024 | G1A | 9/6/2024 | | | | | | |
| 8/30/2024 | G1 | 8/30/2024 | | | | | | |
| 8/23/2024 | P7A | 8/22/2024 | | | | | | |
| 8/16/2024 | P7 | 8/16/2024 | | | | | | |
| 8/9/2024 | P6 | 8/7/2024 | | | | | | |
| 8/2/2024 | P5 | 8/2/2024 | | | | | | |
| 7/26/2024 | P4 | 7/24/2024 | | | | | | |
| 7/19/2024 | P3 | 7/16/2024 | | | | | | |
| 7/12/2024 | P2A | 7/11/2024 | | | | | | |
| 7/5/2024 | P2 | 7/3/2024 | | | | | | |
| 6/28/2024 | P1A | 6/27/2024 | | | | | | |
| 6/21/2024 | P1 | 6/19/2024 | | | | | | |
| 6/10/2024 | Q2 | 6/10/2024 | | | | | | |
| 4/10/2024 | Q1 | 4/10/2024 | | | | | | |
| 1/12/2024 | SG2 | 1/11/2024 | | | | | | |
| 1/10/2024 | Q4 | 1/9/2024 | | | | | | |
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| 10/10/2023 | Q3 | 10/9/2023 | | | | | | |
| 9/1/2023 | SP1 | | CLO | 0 | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| 7/10/2023 | M6 | 7/7/2023 | | | | | | |
| 6/12/2023 | M5 | 6/7/2023 | | | | | | |
| 5/10/2023 | M4 | 5/4/2023 | | | | | | |
| 4/10/2023 | M3 | 4/6/2023 | | | | | | |
| 3/10/2023 | M2 | 3/8/2023 | | | | | | |
| 2/10/2023 | M1 | 2/3/2023 | | | | | | |
| 1/10/2023 | M12 | 1/9/2023 | | | | | | |
| 12/12/2022 | M11 | 12/5/2022 | | | | | | |
| 11/4/2022 | G6 | 11/4/2022 | | | | | | |
| 11/3/2022 | D6 | 11/3/2022 | | | | | | |
| 11/2/2022 | D5 | 11/2/2022 | | | | | | |

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| 11/1/2022 | D4 | 11/1/2022 |
| 10/31/2022 | D3 | 10/31/2022 |
| 10/30/2022 | D2 | 10/30/2022 |
| 10/29/2022 | D1 | 10/29/2022 |
| 10/28/2022 | G5 | 10/27/2022 |
| 10/21/2022 | G4A | 10/17/2022 |
| 10/14/2022 | G4 | 10/13/2022 |
| 10/7/2022 | G3A | 10/3/2022 |
| 10/7/2022 | G3 | 9/27/2022 |
| 9/23/2022 | G2A | 9/21/2022 |
| 9/16/2022 | G2 | 9/13/2022 |
| 9/9/2022 | G1A | 9/7/2022 |
| 9/2/2022 | G1 | 8/30/2022 |
| 8/26/2022 | P7A | 8/22/2022 |
| 8/19/2022 | P7 | 8/19/2022 |
| 8/12/2022 | P6 | 8/9/2022 |
| 8/5/2022 | P5 | 8/2/2022 |
| 7/29/2022 | P4 | 7/26/2022 |
| 7/22/2022 | P3 | 7/19/2022 |
| 7/15/2022 | P2A | 7/12/2022 |
| 7/8/2022 | P2 | 7/7/2022 |
| 7/1/2022 | P1A | 6/29/2022 |
| 6/24/2022 | P1 | 6/22/2022 |
| 6/10/2022 | M5 | 6/8/2022 |

HISTORY NOTES
Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade - 81066

| Unique ID | Date Recorded | Last Edited Date | Originally Recorded By |
|---|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 77102 | 6/6/2022 2:35:00 PM | | bnnorton |
| called T @ 2:30p to remind m5 due date 6.10.22 and gave pin # | | | |



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT of STATE

RON DESANTIS
Governor

CORD BYRD
Secretary of State

June 2, 2022

Juan Porras, Chairperson
Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade
15703 Southwest 43 Lane
Miami, Florida 33185

Dear Mr. Porras:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Conservatives For A Better Miami-Dade**, which were placed on file in our office on May 27, 2022. 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 **June 10, 2022**. The report will cover the period of May 1-31, 2022 (2022 M5). 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: 81066

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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Juan Porras, Chairperson
June 2, 2022
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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.

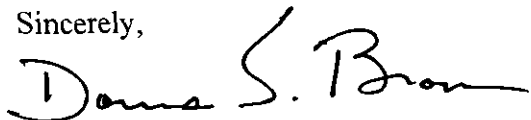
Instructions and Assistance

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/kaf

Enclosures

pc: Brian Quintana, Treasurer

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

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CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

Initial Filing for: ☒ Primary Treasurer ☐ Deputy Treasurer

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

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1. Committee

CONSERVATIVES FOR A BETTER MIAMI-DADE

2. Telephone

(786) 475-4276

3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer 4. Email (optional)

BRIAN A. QUINTANA, CPA BAQ@QUINTANATAX.COM

5. Telephone (optional)

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6. Mailing Address

2100 SALZEDO STREET, SUITE 200 CORAL GABLES FL 33134

7. Street Address

SAME AS MAILING

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

9. Name of Bank

CITY NATIONAL BANK OF FLORIDA

10. Street Address

8311 BIRD ROAD

11. City

MIAMI

12. State

FL

13. Zip Code

33155

14. Signature of Chairman

X

15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type)

JUAN PORRAS

Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

I, **BRIAN A. QUINTANA**

, do hereby accept the appointment as

(Please Print or Type)

treasurer or deputy treasurer for

CONSERVATIVES FOR A BETTER MIAMI DADE

(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.**

5/25/22

Date

X

Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION
OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE**

(PLEASE TYPE)

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TALLAHASSEE, FL

1. Full Name of Committee

CONSERVATIVES FOR A BETTER MIAMI-DADE

Telephone

786-475-4276

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code)

2100 SALZEDO STREET, SUITE 200

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Street Address (include city, state and zip code)

CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

2. Affiliated or Connected Organizations (includes other committees of continuous existence and political committees)

Name of Affiliated or
Connected Organization

Mailing Address

Relationship

N/A

N/A

N/A

3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee

POLITICAL COMMITTEE SUPPORTING OR OPPOSING STATEWIDE LEGISLATIVE, MULTI-COUNTY CANDIDATES AND/OR ISSUES

4. Nature of Organization or Organization's Special Interest (e.g., medical, legal, education, etc.)

GOOD GOVERNANCE

5. Identify by Name, Address and Position, the Custodian of Books and Accounts (include treasurer's name)

Full Name

Mailing Address

Committee Title or Position

BRIAN QUINTANA,
CPA

2011 SALZEDO STREET, SUITE 200
CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

TREASURER

6. List by Name, Address and Position, Other Principal Officers, Including Officers and Members of the Finance Committee, If Any (include chairman's name)

| Full Name | Mailing Address | Committee Title or Position |
|------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| JUAN PORRAS | 15703 SW 43 LANE MIAMI, FL 33185 | CHAIRMAN |
| BRIAN QUINTANA, CPA | 2100 SALZEDO ST, STE 200 CORAL GABLES, FL 33134 | TREASURER |

7. List by Name, Address, Office Sought and Party Affiliation Each Candidate or Other Individual that this Committee is Supporting (if none, please indicate)

| Full Name | Mailing Address | Office Sought | Party |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| TBD | | | |

8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: TBD

List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing: TBD

9. If this Committee is Supporting the Entire Ticket of a Party, Give Name of Party

N/A

10. In the Event of Dissolution, What Disposition will be Made of Residual Funds?

ANY DISPOSITION ALLOWED UNDER FLORIDA LAW FOR RESIDUAL FUNDS INCLUDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

11. List all Banks, Safety Deposit Boxes, or Other Depositories Used for Committee Funds

| Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number | Mailing Address |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| CITY NATIONAL BANK OF FLORIDA ACCT #: TBD | 8311 BIRD ROAD MIAMI, FL 33155 |

12. List all Reports Required to be Filed by this Committee with Federal Officials and the Names, Addresses and Positions of Such Officials, If Any

| Report Title | Dates Required to be Filed | Name & Position of Official | Mailing Address |
|--|--|-----------------------------|--|
| SS4 FORM 8871 FORM 1120POL FORM 990 | UPON FORMATION UPON FORMATION MARCH 15TH, ANNUAL MAY 15TH, ANNUAL | IRS IRS IRS IRS | OGDEN, UT 84201 OGDEN, UT 84201 OGDEN, UT 84201 OGDEN, UT 84201 |

STATE OF FLORIDA

MIAMI DADE

COUNTY

I, JUAN PORRAS, certify that the information in this Statement of

Organization is complete, true and correct.

X


Signature of Chairman of Political Committee

05/25/22
Date