

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**In Re: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political
Advocacy Committee**

Case No.: FEC 25-180

TO: Amy Seeks, Chair
4590 Ulmerton Road
Clearwater, FL 33762

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

NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE (AF))

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **April 22, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, at the following location: via Webinar at: **Registration URL** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/17181422935246175>, **Webinar ID 325-697-827.**

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
March 27, 2026

Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

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

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

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

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

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

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

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
CASE REPORT
Case Number: FEC 25-180

NAME: **PINELLAS REALTOR ORGANIZATION POLITICAL ADVOCACY COMMITTEE**

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 05/29/2025

DATE REPORT DUE: 04/10/2025 (2025 Q1)

DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT: 04/16/2025

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 6

AMOUNT OF FINE: \$1,362.50

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

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$0

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$5,450.00

DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION: 05/05/2025 (Fine Ltr)

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

SUMMARY: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee is a political committee (PC) registered with the State of Florida. The PC's chair is Amy Seeks, and its treasurer is David B. Bennett.

The PC is appealing the fine. According to the treasurer, Mr. Bennett, on April 8, 2025, he submitted a waiver of the report based on his "good-faith belief that no expenses had been incurred during the reporting period." On April 16, 2025, he discovered the expenditure and promptly disclosed the activity. He states, "This oversight was unintentional and not an attempt to avoid reporting obligations. I acted promptly upon discovering the error, demonstrating a good-faith effort to comply with the law." Mr. Bennett respectfully requests that the Commission waive the fine based on the circumstances and his corrective actions.

- The 2025 Q1 Original Report covers the period from 01/01/25-03/31/25; it was due on 04/10/25.
- The 2025 Q1 Queued Transaction Report shows that it was created and filed on 04/08/25.¹
- Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee reported receiving zero contributions while making 1 expenditure.
- FEC staff was advised, "The committee filed a notice of no activity (waiver) on 04/08/25. A waiver is not a report. On 04/16/25, the committee filed a report showing \$5,450.00 of activity. The fine is based on 25% of the activity."
- The Division of Elections does not have any notes that pertain to Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee's 2025 Q1 Report.

PRIOR CASES: 18-178 (AF-NUC)

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

STAFF MEMORANDUM

This matter is scheduled as an appeal of an automatic fine imposed by the Division of Elections (“Division” or “Filing Officer”) against Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee (“Appellant”) following the late filing of the 2025 Q1 Report pursuant to Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes.

Appellant is a political committee registered with the Division. Appellant’s 2025 Q1 Report was due on April 10, 2025, and covered the three-month period from January 1, 2025, to March 31, 2025. Appellant submitted a notice of no report (“waiver”) for the 2025 Q1 reporting period pursuant to Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, on April 8, 2025, which was two days early. On April 16, 2025, Appellant filed the 2025 Q1 Report under Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes. The report reflected one expenditure totaling \$5,450.00, which was labeled as an independent expenditure benefiting Sean Swauger, a candidate for Oldsmar City Council, Seat 4. Pursuant to Section 106.07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, the Division assessed a fine of \$1,362.50 based on twenty-five (25) percent of the committee’s expenses.

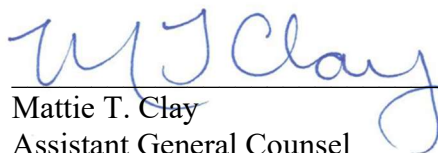
The Commission’s objective for automatic fine appeals is to determine whether the aggrieved party’s report was timely filed and, if not, whether the party demonstrated unusual circumstances, or other circumstances, that caused the report to be late. Fla. Admin. Code R. 2B-1.005(3); § 106.07(8)(c), Fla. Stat.; *Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook* (2024), page 77. Section 106.07(8)(c), Florida Statutes, states that an aggrieved party may appeal the fine “based upon, but not limited to, unusual circumstances” while Rule 2B-1.005(3) of the Florida Administrative Code narrows the Commission’s lens to circumstances beyond the party’s control. The Commission must consider any mitigating or aggravating circumstances under Section 106.265(3), Florida Statutes.

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 committee alleged that, due to a "good-faith belief that no expenses had been incurred during the reporting period[.]" a waiver was submitted. Upon discovering the expenditure, the committee took corrective action to disclose the activity. The committee stated that the omission occurred because of an unintentional oversight.

The timely submission of a waiver filed under Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, does not qualify as a timely report filed under Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes; however, the committee alleged circumstances that the Commission may weigh as "other circumstances" or via mitigating and aggravating circumstances.

Respectfully submitted by,



Mattie T. Clay
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Elections Commission

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Amy Seeks, Chair Person
4590 Ulmerton Road
Clearwater FL 33762
PAC: 69681
Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Date: June 11, 2025

To:
Florida Elections Commission
107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050

Subject: Appeal of Fine for Late Filing – Request for Waiver Under Good Cause Provisions

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to formally appeal the fine assessed for the late filing of a campaign finance report, referenced in your recent notice. This appeal is submitted in accordance with Rule 2B-1.005(3) of the Florida Administrative Code, which provides for the waiver of fines upon a showing of good cause.

On April 8, 2025, I submitted the campaign finance report as a waiver, based on my good-faith belief that no expenses had been incurred during the reporting period. However, on April 16, 2025, I discovered that expenses had been incurred and immediately took corrective action by filing an amended report reflecting the accurate financial activity.

This oversight was unintentional and not an attempt to avoid reporting obligations. I acted promptly upon discovering the error, demonstrating a good-faith effort to comply with the law. Under Rule 2B-1.005(3), good cause includes circumstances where the violation occurred despite the exercise of ordinary care, and I believe this situation meets that standard.

I respectfully request that the Commission waive the assessed fine based on these circumstances and the corrective actions taken. Should additional documentation be needed to support this request, I would be happy to provide it.

Sincerely,

Suncoast Tampa Association of REALTORS®

Signed by:

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Amy Seeks, Chairperson

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Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Date: May 19, 2025

To:
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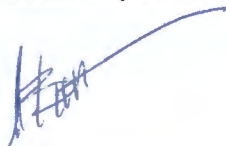
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David B. Bennett, CEO CMLX1, QAS, RCE, CAE

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

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Final Notice
Delivery Confirmation:

June 16, 2025

Amy Seeks, Chairperson
Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee
4590 Ulmerton Road
Clearwater, FL 33762

PAC 69681

Dear Ms. Seeks:

The campaign treasurer's report that was due on April 10, 2025, was filed on April 16, 2025. By law, you are automatically assessed a late fine of \$1,362.50.

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*

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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,

Ikay L. Reeve, Chief
Bureau of Election Records



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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

May 5, 2025

Amy Seeks, Chairperson
Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee
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PAC 69681

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Sincerely,

Amber Marconnet, Assistant Director
Division of Elections/Bureau of Election Records

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

(1) Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee (2) 69681
Candidate, Committee or Party Name I.D. Number

(3) 390 North Tessier Drive Saint Petersburg FL 33706
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 01/01/2025 To 03/31/2025 Report Type: Q1
 Original Amendment Special Election Report

(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT

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

(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT

Monetary Expenditures	\$5,450.00
Transfers to Office Account	\$0.00
<i>Total Monetary</i>	\$5,450.00

(8) Other Distributions

Certification

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

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

Name of Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

X
Signature

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

Name of Candidate Chairman (PC/PTY Only)

X
Signature

ID:

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT - ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

Name: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Report: 2025 Q1

Period: 01/01/2025 to 03/31/2025

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

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

Name: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Report: 2025 Q1

Period: 01/01/2025 to 03/31/2025

** Records in Filed Report **

Seq # Date	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip	Type	Purpose	Amount Amend
1 03/07/2025	SGS, INC. 6211 NW 132ND STREET GAINSVILLE, FL 32653	IEC	MARKETING: SEAN SWAUGER, CANDIDATE FOR OLDSMAR CITY COUNCIL SEAT 4	\$5,450.00 ADD

ID:

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED FUND TRANSFERS

Name: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Report: 2025 Q1

Period: 01/01/2025

to 03/31/2025

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

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

ID:

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED DISTRIBUTIONS

Name: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Report: 2025 Q1

Period: 01/01/2025

to 03/31/2025

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

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

Filed Campaign Treasurer's Report

Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Comm Elect ID: **20261103-GEN** Report: **2025 Q1 (176)**

From: **1/1/2025** Filed: **FIL** Wvr: **O** Amd: **Y** 4/8/2025 8:22:36 AM
To: **3/31/2025** Reviewed: **UPD** Cmpl: **NOD** 4/16/2025 10:52:11 A

Original Report

Submitted: 4/8/2025 8:22:36 AM

Amended Report

Submitted: 4/16/2025 10:59:25 A

EXPENDITURES

<i>Seq Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Office Purpose</i>	<i>Errors Amd</i>	<i>Amount</i>
3/7/2025	1 SGS, INC.	6211 NW 132ND STREET GAINSVILLE FL 32653	IEC	MARKETTING: SEAN SWAUGER, CANDIDATE FOR OLDSMAR CITY COUNCIL SEAT 4	0	\$5,450.00

Queued Items for 2025-Q1

Account: 69681

Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Rpt Seq: 176

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File Pending Report	Processing Complete	69681	4/16/2025 10:59:25 AM	4/16/2025 10:59:25 AM



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Florida Election System Reports

Candidate/Committee Lookup

Committee Name: Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Name:

Account: 69681

Election:

Acct:

Type:

Date Due	Type	Date Filed	Status	Days Late	Fine Assessed	Appealed	Amount Fined	Amount Paid
5/9/2025	SG1	5/6/2025						
5/9/2025	SG1	5/6/2025						
5/9/2025	SG1	5/6/2025						
4/10/2025	Q1	4/8/2025	SNT	0	\$1,362.50		\$1,362.50	\$0.00
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2/28/2025	SP1	2/28/2025						
2/28/2025	SP1	3/26/2025	PEN	26	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
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11/1/2024	G6	10/31/2024						
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9/27/2024	G3	9/30/2024	CLO	3	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
9/20/2024	G2A	9/16/2024						
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HISTORY NOTES

Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee - 69681

Unique ID	Date Recorded	Last Edited Date	Originally Recorded By
80248	12/4/2023 9:52:00 AM		cnuhudson
<p>Audit</p> <p>David Bennett asked was the changes to the audit correct. I placed the caller on hold. I spoke to Shenna she advise that the changes were not correct</p>			
70643	8/10/2020 1:55:00 PM		dsbrown
<p>RE: Audits 2020 P1A and P5</p> <p>8/10/20 - Treasurer called for assistance in amending and correcting the 2020 P1A and P5 reports. Both were corrected and the amendments filed. Dsb</p>			
70295	7/28/2020 12:10:00 PM	7/28/2020 12:16:11 PM	ejrowlette
<p>Re: Returned mail for chair</p> <p>Returned mail for chair received July 9, 2020. This mail was a receipt of a fine payment for the late filing of a report. The letter was sent to the PAC address and not the chair's address. The letter has been resent to the chair's address: 4590 Ulmerton Road, Clearwater, FL 33762.</p>			
62867	1/23/2019 4:10:00 PM		Ejrowlette
<p>Re: Returned mail chair</p> <p>Chairperson has a different address than pac. Letter was addressed to pac. Will resend letter to chair address in cancom. Ejr</p>			
57142	2/12/2018 9:42:00 AM		sibagley
<p>RE: 2018 M1</p> <p>Received call from Treasurer. He asked if they needed to add anything to the report they just filed on the expenditure side since they had no expenses to show they had no expenses. I told explained he should leave it blank if they had no expenditures, he said that was what they did. I checked the report and there were no expenditures listed.</p> <p>Sib</p>			
55413	9/13/2017 4:26:00 PM		Ejrowlette
<p>Re: Email from Amy Seeks, Chair, concerning returned mail</p> <p>Amy Seeks <aseeks@smithandassociates.com></p> <p>Thanks Robert. Unfortunate when the postal worker takes the liberty to return mail that should be delivered. Appreciate your help in getting it resolved. Erika, I received your voicemail. If we need to speak by phone to confirm, please let me know.</p> <p>Amy</p> <p>Amy Seeks Vice President of Real Estate Services Smith & Associates Real Estate Tampa St. Petersburg Clearwater Office 727.342.3800 Fax 727.895.6145 Web www.smithandassociates.com</p>			



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Secretary of State

February 27, 2017

Amy Seeks, Chairperson
Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee
4590 Ulmerton Road
Clearwater, Florida 33762

Dear Ms. Seeks:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee**, which were placed on file in our office on February 23, 2017. 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 **March 10, 2017**. The report will cover the period of February 1-28, 2017 (M2). 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).

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. The chairperson, campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting this password from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

EFS Website Address: <https://efs.dos.state.fl.us>
Identification Number: 69681

Division of Elections
R.A. Gray Building, Suite 316 • 500 South Bronough Street • Tallahassee, Florida 32399
850.245.6240 • 850.245.6260 (Fax) dos.myflorida.com/elections/



Amy Seeks, Chairperson
February 27, 2017
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Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update information. The enclosed sealed envelope provides a confidential pin number for the chairperson. By copy of this letter, a confidential pin number to access the EFS was sent to the treasurer.

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

Timely Filing

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

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

Electronic Receipts

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

Amy Seeks, Chairperson
February 27, 2017
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Instructions and Assistance

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

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

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

KRB/ljr

Enclosures

pc: David B. Bennett, Treasurer
Robert Olmstead, Deputy Treasurer

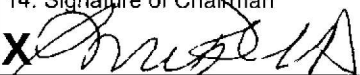
**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR
POLITICAL COMMITTEES**
(Sections 106.011(1) and 106.021(1), F.S.)

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CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

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Original Appointment of Treasurer Reappointment of Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

1. Committee or Organization Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee		2. Telephone (727) 216-3002	
3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer David B. Bennett		4. Email (optional) dbennett@tampabayrealtor.com	
5. Telephone (optional) (727) 216-3002			
6. Mailing Address Post Office Box 17465 Clearwater, FL 33762			
7. Street Address 4590 Ulmerton Road Clearwater, FL 33762			
8. The following bank has been designated as the <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary Depository <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary Depository			
9. Name of Bank IberiaBank		10. Street Address 777 Pasadena Avenue S	
11. City St. Petersburg		12. State FL	13. Zip Code 33707
14. Signature of Chairman 		15. Name of Chairman (Print or Type) Amy Seeks	

Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment

I, David B. Bennett, do hereby accept the appointment as
(Please Print or Type)
treasurer or deputy treasurer for Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee
(Committee or Organization)

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.

02/20/2017

Date

X

Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

**STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION
OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE**

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1. Full Name of Committee

Pinellas Realtor Organization Political Advocacy Committee

Telephone

727-216-3002

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code)

Post Office Box 17465
Clearwater, FL 33762

Street Address (include city, state and zip code)

4590 Ulmerton Road
Clearwater, FL 33762

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

Name of Affiliated or Connected Organization	Mailing Address	Relationship
Pinellas Suncoast Association of Realtors, Inc. d/b/a Pinellas Realtor Organization	4590 Ulmerton Road Clearwater, FL 33762	Affiliated

3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee

Local political committee to support or oppose candidates for county and municipal elected office and to support or oppose issues at the county and municipal level and other activities not prohibited by Chapter 106, F.S.

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

Political

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
David B. Bennett	4590 Ulmerton Road Clearwater, FL 33762	Treasurer
Robert Olmstead	4590 Ulmerton Road Clearwater, FL 33762	Deputy 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
Amy Seeks	4590 Ulmerton Road Clearwater, FL 33762	Chair
Paul Wikle		Vice Chair

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
To be determined			

8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: To be determined

List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing: To be determined

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?

Contributions to candidates, political parties, political committees, or other activities not prohibited by law

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

Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number	Mailing Address
Ibera Bank, NA	500 4th Street North Saint Petersburg, FL 33701

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
Form 8871 Form 1120POL Form 990, as may be required	Upon formation March 15, annually May 15, annually	Internal Revenue Service	Ogden, UT 84201

STATE OF Florida COUNTY Pinellas

I, Amy Seeks, certify that the information in this Statement of

Organization is complete, true and correct.

X 
Signature of Chairman of Political Committee

February 8, 2017
Date