STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Florida Women In Action

TO: Patricia Williams, Chair PO Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302 Case No.: FEC 22-297

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

NOTICE OF HEARING (INFORMAL HEARINGS (IH))

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, **November 14, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.**, *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: **402 South Monroe Street**, **12 HOB**, **Tallahassee**, **Florida 32399.** Due to heightened security access requirements, please bring only essential items into the building and plan to arrive early to allow for delays coming through security.

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.

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Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission October 31, 2023 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

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Florida Elections Commission

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September 6, 2023

Florida Women In Action Patricia Williams, Chair PO Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302

RE: Case No.: FEC 22-297; Respondent: Florida Women In Action

Dear Ms. Williams:

The Florida Elections Commission at its August 15, 2023, virtual meeting was unable to hear this case. Therefore, this case has been rescheduled for its next meeting, which is scheduled for November 14-15, 2023, in Tallahassee. A notice of hearing indicating the exact date and time will be mailed approximately 14 days before the hearing.

If you have any questions, please contact us at the number listed above or at <u>fec@myfloridalegal.com</u>.

Sincerely, *Tim Vaccaro*

Executive Director

TV/dm cc: Division of Elections, Complainant

STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Florida Women In Action

Case No.: FEC 22-297

TO: Patricia Williams, Chair PO Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302

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: <u>https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4391393799096818270</u>

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

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STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

v.

Case No.: FEC 22-297

Florida Women In Action, Respondent.

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 February 22, 2023, 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 about June 24, 2022, Florida Women In Action violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2022 P1 Report.

Count 2:

On or about July 1, 2022, Florida Women In Action violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2022 P1A Report.

Order of Probable Cause FEC # 22-297

Count 3:

On or about July 22, 2022, Florida Women In Action violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2022 P3 Report.

Count 4:

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Count 5:

On or about August 5, 2022, Florida Women In Action violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2022 P5 Report.

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 Florida Women In Action, Respondent Division of Elections, Complainant

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

As the Respondent, you may elect to resolve this case in several ways. First, you may elect to resolve this case by <u>consent order</u> where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violation(s) 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.

Order of Probable Cause FEC # 22-297 Second, you may request an <u>informal hearing</u> held before the Commission, if you <u>do not</u> dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper right-hand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to make written or oral arguments to the Commission concerning the legal issues related to the violation(s) and the potential fine. At the request of Respondent, the Commission will consider and determine willfulness at an informal hearing. Otherwise, live witness testimony is unnecessary.

Third, you may request a <u>formal hearing</u> held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date the Order of Probable Cause is filed with the Commission to request such a hearing. The date this order was filed appears in the upper righthand corner of the first page of the order. At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you.

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

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STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

TO: Patricia Williams, Chair PO Box 11012

In Re: Florida Women In Action

Tallahassee, FL 32302

Case No.: FEC 22-297

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

NOTICE OF HEARING (PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION)

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https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMpdumuqTsqGt1MNuvpQBOI5XPapAI_9zfC Audio Participation: Meeting ID: Pass

Audio Participation:	Meeting ID:	Passcode:
Dial: 1 301 715 8592	874 1067 0009	772737

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Florida Women In Action

Case No.: FEC 22-297

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(7)**, Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Report of Investigation submitted on January 19, 2023, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1. On September 7, 2022, the Florida Elections Commission ("Commission") received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections ("Division"), alleging that Florida Women In Action ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent is a political committee registered with the Division. (ROI Exhibit 2)¹

3. By letter dated November 8, 2022, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provision:

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because it had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting periods:

- 2022 P1
- 2022 P1A
- 2022 P3
- 2022 P4
- 2022 P5

4. By letter dated August 29, 2017, Kristi Reid Willis, 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 3, page 1)

5. The acknowledgment letter advised Respondent that all 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 3, page 2)

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

6. Pursuant to Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, in any reporting period during which a political committee has not received funds, made any contributions, or expended any reportable funds, the filing of the required report for that period is waived. However, the political committee is required to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that no report is being filed on that date.

7. The *Political Committee Handbook* references the statutory requirement regarding written notification and directs political committees to notify the Division by way of the Division's electronic filing system. (ROI Exhibit 4, page 2) The *Political Committee EFS User's Guide* shows the process through which to notify the Division. The user's guide instructs political committees to select the relevant reporting period and place a checkmark in a box titled "Waiver" to indicate the lack of reportable financial activity. (ROI Exhibit 5, page 2)

8. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed for the following reporting periods, as set forth in the table below. (ROI Exhibit 6, page 1)

Report	Report Cover Period	Date Notification Due	Date Notification Filed	No. of Days Late
2022 P1	6/1/22-6/17/22	6/24/22	7/8/22	14
2022 P1A	6/18/22-6/24/22	7/1/22	7/8/22	7
2022 P3	7/9/22- 7/15/22	7/22/22	8/10/22	19
2022 P4	7/16/22-7/22/22	7/29/22	8/10/22	12
2022 P5	7/23/22- 7/29/22	8/5/22	8/10/22	5

9. Dana Dudley, treasurer for Respondent, stated that the notices of no activity were not timely submitted due to "sheer oversight." Ms. Dudley also stated that the committee had a change in personnel which led to the untimely filings. (ROI Exhibit 7)

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

11. The facts set forth above show that Respondent is a political committee registered with the Division. Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting dates that no reports would be filed for the following reporting periods: 2022 P1, 2022 P1A, 2022 P3, 2022 P4, and 2022 P5.

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 about June 24, 2022, Florida Women In Action violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when it failed to notify the filing officer in writing on the prescribed reporting date that it would not be filing its 2022 P1 Report.

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Respectfully submitted on February 22, 2023.

Stephanie J. Cunningham General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 2^{2} day of February 2023.

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Tim Vaccaro Executive Director

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report of Investigation for Failure to Notify Filing Officer

Case Number: FEC 22-297

Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, failure of a candidate or political committee that did not receive any contributions or make any expenditures during a reporting period to timely notify the filing officer, in writing, that no report is being filed.

Respondent: Florida Women in Action **Respondent's Atty:** N/A

Division of Elections (Division) Referral Filed: September 7, 2022

Respondent Type: Political Committee

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent is a political committee registered with the Division.

2. An Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 6) was filed on August 28, 2017. Dana Dudley was appointed as campaign treasurer. To review the DS-DE 6, refer to Exhibit 1.

3. A Statement of Organization (DS-DE 5) for the political committee was filed with the Division on August 28, 2017. To review the Statement of Organization, refer to Exhibit 2.

4. An acknowledgement letter was mailed to the address provided on the DS-DE 6 on August 29, 2017, advising Respondent that all political committees filing reports with the Division are required to file by means of the Division's electronic filing system (EFS). Respondent was provided with a user identification number and initial password allowing access to the EFS.

5. The acknowledgement letter also 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 3.

6. The *Political Committee Handbook* discusses filing a waiver when there is no activity to disclose. To review the relevant page of the *Handbook*, refer to Exhibit 4.

7. The *Political Committee EFS User's Guide* discusses how to notify the Division on the prescribed reporting date that no report will be filed using the EFS. Specifically, the *Handbook* instructs the user to click the box next to "waiver" if there is no activity to disclose. To review the relevant pages from the *EFS User's Guide*, refer to Exhibit 5.

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

8. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of the election laws by not timely notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no report(s) would be filed due to not receiving any contributions or making expenditures during the following reporting period(s). To review Respondent's filing history reflecting the untimely filed notifications summarized below, refer to Exhibit 6.

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2022 P5	7/23/22-7/29/22	8/5/22	8/10/22	5
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9. Respondent did not respond to the referral.

10. On January 4, 2023, I called Respondent's Treasurer, Dana Dudley, for the purpose of providing an opportunity to discuss the allegations made in the referral. Ms. Dudley acknowledged that she had received Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the *Political Committee Handbook*. She stated that she was not a first-time treasurer. She also stated that the waivers were untimely filed due to a "sheer oversight" and a change in personnel that caused a change in the report alert system that she used to file reports timely. She further stated that the due dates for reports were becoming due almost weekly which also caused the untimely filings. To review the phone log, refer to Exhibit 7.

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Date: January 19, 2023_

SIGNATURE OF INVESTIGATOR:

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Florida Women in Action -- FEC 22-297

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APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY FOR POLITICAL COMMITTEES (Sections 106.011(1) and 106.021(1), F.S.)	RECEIVED DEPARTMENT OF STATE 17 AUG 28 AM 9: 41 DIVISION OF ELECTIONS TALLAHASSEE, FL					
CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:			OFFICE USE ONLY			
Original Appointment of Treasurer	ntment of Treasurer		Deputy Treasurer			
1. Committee or Organization FLORIDA WOMEN IN ACTION		2. Telephone				
3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer 4. Email (optional DANA DUDLEY dana@pittman-l		5. Telephone (c	optional)			
6. Mailing Address PO BOX 11012, TALLAHASS	SEE, FL	32302				
7. Street Address 1028 E PARK AVENUE, TAL 8. The following bank has been designated as the X Pri	LAHASS		32301			
9. Name of Bank	10. Street Address					
HANCOCK BANK	2453 M/	AHAN D	RIVE			
11. City TALLAHASSEE	12. State		13. Zip Code 32308			
14. Signatule of Chairman	15. Name of Chair Patricia		e)			
Campaign Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment , Dana Dudley , do hereby accept the appointment as (Please Print or Type) treasurer or deputy treasurer for Florida Women In Action (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,						
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	70050	DIVISION OF ELE TALLAHASSEE	CTIONS	
1. Full Name of Committee FLORIDA WOMEN IN AC	TION	-	Telephone 850-216-1002	
Mailing Address (include city PO BOX 11012 TALLAHASSEE, FL 3230				
Street Address (include city, 1028 E PARK AVENUE TALLAHASSEE, FL 3230				
2. Affiliated or Connected Or committees)	ganizations (includes other committe	ees of continuous exi	stence and political	
Name of Affiliated or Connected Organization	Mailing Addre	ss	Relationship	
NONE				
3. Area, Scope and Jurisdict supporting or opposing statewing	on of the Committee de, legislative and multicounty issues			
	Organization's Special Interest (e.g., tion and resources to	_		
	and Position, the Custodian of Boo		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Full Name Dana Dudley	Mailing Address PO Box 11012	Treasure	nittee Title or Position	
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	and Position, Other Principal (fficers and Me	mbers of the
	(include chairman's name)			
Fuli Name	Mailing Addr			e Title or Position
Patricia Williams	P.O. Box 11012, Tallah	asse, r 5230 2	Cruc	
Dana Dudley	P.J. Box 11012, Talla	hassee, F2 32302	Treasurer	
	Office Sought and Party Affili g (if none, please indicate)	ation Each Candidat	te or Other Ind	ividual that this
Full Name	Mailing Address	Office	Sought	Party
none				
8. List Any Issues this Co	mmittee is Supporting: for (It this time		
	mmittee is Opposing: None ()	• •		
9. If this Committee is Sup	oporting the Entire Ticket of a	Party, Give Name of	Party	
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	ition, What Disposition will be		unds?	
give to charitabl	e organization 501((c)(3)		
11. List all Banks, Safety I	Deposit Boxes, or Other Depos	sitories Used for Co	mmittee Funds	
Name of Bank or Depo	ository & Account Number		Mailing Addres	
Hancock Bank	Hancock Bank			hussee F2 32308
12. List all Reports Requir and Positions of Such	ed to be Filed by this Commit Officials, If Any	tee with Federal Offi	cials and the N	lames, Addresses
Report Title	Dates Required to be Filed	Name & Position of	Official	Mailing Address
NONE				
STATE OF FLOR	DA	-Br	uward	COUNTY
I, PATRICIA HA	WKINS WILLIAMS	, certify that the in	formation in this	s Statement of
Organization is complete, tr	ue and correct.			
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Signature of C	hairman of Political Committee		1	Date

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

August 29, 2017

Patricia Williams, Chairperson Florida Women In Action Post Office Box 11012 Tallahassee, Florida 32302

Dear Ms. Williams:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Florida Women In Action, which were placed on file in our office on August 28, 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 <u>September 11, 2017</u>. The report will cover the period of August 1-31, 2017 (M8). All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

EFS Access

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

EFS Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 70050

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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Patrica Williams, Chairperson August 29, 2017 Page Two

due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern StandardTime, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

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

Electronic Receipts

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

Instructions and Assistance

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

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

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Willis, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

pc: Dana Dudley, Treasurer

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2016 Political Committee Handbook

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Unless the electronic filing requirements of Section 106.0705, Florida Statutes, apply, reports shall be filed no later than 5 p.m. of the day designated. A report postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than midnight of the day designated is deemed timely filed. A report received by the filing officer within 5 days after the designated due date that was delivered by the U.S. Postal Service is deemed timely filed unless it has a postmark indicating the report was mailed after the designated due date. A certificate of mailing obtained from and dated by the U.S. Postal Service at the time of mailing or a receipt from an established courier company, which bears a date on or before the date on which the report is due, is proof of mailing in a timely manner. Reports filed with the Division through the Electronic Filing System (EFS) are due no later than midnight, Eastern Time, of the due date. (See Chapter 12, Electronic Filing of Campaign Reports.) (Sections 106.07, 106.0705 and 106.141, F.S.)

Penalty for Late Filing

Any political committee failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be 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 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports due immediately prior to the primary and general elections, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

(Section 106.07(8), F.S.)

Notice of No Activity

When there has been no reportable activity in the campaign account during a reporting period (no funds expended or received) the filing of the report is waived. The political committee shall notify the filing officer in writing on or before the prescribed reporting date that no report is being filed on that date. The next report filed must specify that the report covers the entire period between the last submitted report and the report being filed.

. (Section <u>106.07</u>, F.S.)

A notice of no activity filed with the Division must be filed electronically using the Division's electronic filing system.

(Section 106.0705, F.S.)

Special Election Reports

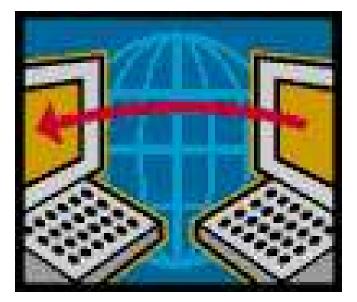
When a special election is called to fill a vacancy in office, all political committees making contributions or expenditures to influence the results of the special election shall file campaign treasurers' reports with the filing officer on the dates set by the Department of State pursuant to Section 100.111, F.S.

When an election is called for an issue to appear on the ballot at a time when no candidates are scheduled to appear on the ballot, all political committees making contributions or expenditures in support of or in opposition to such issue shall file reports on the 18th and 4th days prior to such election.

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Political Committee EFS User's Guide



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EFS HELP LINE: 850-245-6280

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The **Due Date** will automatically fill in based on the **Calendar of Election and Reporting Dates**.

If this report is for a special election, click the box next to **Special Election Report**. (If no special elections are scheduled this option will not be available.)

*******NOTE*******

If this report is a waiver of report (no activity), click the 🗾 box next to Waiver.

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Report Type:	F2 2010		~		
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Click **Open Report** at the bottom of the screen. A **Report Detail** screen (view only) will appear. This screen will not indicate any activity until individual detail data is entered, saved and a review is performed.

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	Total Monetary:		0.00	To	otal Monetary:		0.00	
	In-Kind:		0.00	Other	Distributions:		0.00	



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Florida Election System Reports

Name:				Acc	ount: 70050)					
lection:			Date Due		Date Filed		Days	Fine	Appealed	Amount	Amount
		~			1/9/2023		Late	Assessed		Fined	Paid
Acct	70050		1/10/2023		1/9/2023						
			12/12/2022		12/12/2022						
Type:	Committee	~	11/3/2022		11/4/2022	PEN	1	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.0
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			9/23/2022	G2A	9/16/2022						
			9/16/2022	G2	9/16/2022						
			9/9/2022	G1A	9/16/2022	CLO	7	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.0
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12/10/2020	M11	12/10/2020					
11/10/2020	M10	11/9/2020					
10/30/2020	G6	10/29/2020					
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10/28/2020	D5	10/29/2020	FOI	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10/27/2020	D4	10/29/2020	FOI	2	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10/26/2020	D3	10/29/2020	FOI	3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10/25/2020	D2	10/29/2020	FOI	4	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10/24/2020	D1	10/29/2020	FOI	5	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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10/16/2020	G4A	10/15/2020					
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9/25/2020	G3	9/25/2020					
9/18/2020	G2A	9/18/2020					
9/11/2020	G2	9/11/2020					
9/4/2020	G1A	9/3/2020					
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Florida Women In Action

Campaign Finance Activity

Note: The information presented below was obtained from the Committee's/Candidate's Campaign Treasurer's Report filed with the Division of Elections. <u>About the Campaign Finance Data Base</u>. If all contributions for a reporting period are less than 1 dollar Then they may not be displayed.

		Contributions					
	Filing Period	Monetary	Loans	InKind	Expend	Other	Transfers
W	08/18/2017 - 08/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/01/2017 - 09/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	10/01/2017 - 10/31/2017	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	11/01/2017 - 11/30/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	12/01/2017 - 12/31/2017	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	01/01/2018 - 01/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0	02/01/2018 - 02/28/2018	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	03/01/2018 - 03/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	04/01/2018 - 04/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	05/01/2018 - 05/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/01/2018 - 06/22/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/23/2018 - 06/29/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	06/30/2018 - 07/06/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/07/2018 - 07/13/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/14/2018 - 07/20/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/21/2018 - 07/27/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	07/28/2018 - 08/03/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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W	08/11/2018 - 08/23/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/24/2018 - 08/24/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	08/25/2018 - 08/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/01/2018 - 09/07/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/08/2018 - 09/14/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/15/2018 - 09/21/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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9/23, 3:3		Campaign	Finance Activity -	Division of Elections	s - Fioriua Departin		
W	09/22/2018 - 09/28/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	09/29/2018 - 10/05/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/06/2018 - 10/12/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/13/2018 - 10/19/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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W	10/27/2018 - 10/27/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/28/2018 - 10/28/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/29/2018 - 10/29/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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W	10/31/2018 - 10/31/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	10/20/2018 - 11/01/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
W	11/02/2018 - 11/30/2018	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Query the Campaign Finance Data Base

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 22-297

Respondent: Florida Women in Action

Complainant: DOE

 Date and time: December 14, 2022 @ 3:00 pm Name: Patricia Williams—Chairperson Phone #: (850) 216-1002 Summary: I attempted telephone contact to inquire about complaint allegations. I was advised that there is no Patricia Williams at this number. I inquired about Dana Dudley. I was advised that she was out of the office at the moment. I left a message to return my call with the secretary, Sheila. Entered by: CKO

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Summary: I had telephone contact to discuss complaint allegations. Ms. Dudley advised that she was not a first-time treasurer. She stated that she did receive assistance from DOE during the time that she has served as treasurer. She admitted that she received Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, and the Political Committee Handbook. She advised FEC staff that the reports were untimely filed due to a "sheer oversight". She stated that the committee had a change in personnel that caused a change in her report alert system that she used to file the reports timely. She also stated that the reports were becoming due almost weekly which is another reason why they were untimely filed. Ms. Dudley stated that she wanted to think about resolving this matter via settlement negotiations. She stated that she would call me back with her decision.

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Florida Elections Commission

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November 8, 2022

Patricia Williams, Chair Florida Women in Action P.O. Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302

RE: Case No.: FEC 22-297; Respondent: Florida Women in Action

Dear Ms. Williams:

On September 9, 2022, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that your committee 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(7), Florida Statutes: As alleged in the complaint, Respondent, a political committee registered with the Division of Elections, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed on that date because it had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the following reporting periods:

- 2022 P1
- 2022 P1A
- 2022 P3
- 2022 P4
- 2022 P5

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, 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 your committee. 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

Patricia Williams November 8, 2022 Page 2 FEC 22-297

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.

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 <u>confidential</u> 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 **Cedric Oliver**, the investigator assigned to this case, by phone at (850) 922-4539 or by email at Cedric.Oliver@myfloridalegal.com.

Sincerely Thereau Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS FEC NOTICE FORM

To FEC from Division of Elections

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Name:	Florida Women In Action
Account Number:	70050
Chairperson:	Patricia Williams
Treasurer:	Dana Dudley
Registered Agent:	Dana Dudley

The Division of Elections hereby provides this notice to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to sections 106.07(8)(d), 106.22(7), and 106.25(2), Florida Statutes. An apparent violation of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, has occurred based upon repeated late filings or failure to notify the filing officer in writing that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date as required by section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, for the following reports:

2022 P1	2022 P1A
2022 P3	2022 P4
2022 P5	

- Florida Women In Action (70050) is a political committee registered with the Division of Elections. On August 28, 2017, the committee filed the DSDE 5 and DSDE 6 with the Division appointing Patricia Williams as the chairperson and Dana Dudley as treasurer for the committee.
- The 2022 P1 campaign treasurer's report was due on June 24, 2022. Florida Women In Action failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On July 8, 2022, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2022 P1A campaign treasurer's report was due on July 1, 2022. Florida Women In Action failed to notify the Division that

no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On July 8, 2022, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt.)

- The 2022 P3 campaign treasurer's report was due on July 22, 2022. Florida Women In Action failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On August 10, 2022, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2022 P4 campaign treasurer's report was due on July 29, 2022. Florida Women In Action failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On August 10, 2022, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)
- The 2022 P5 campaign treasurer's report was due on August 5, 2022. Florida Women In Action failed to notify the Division that no report was being filed on the prescribed reporting date. On August 10, 2022, the committee filed a notification of no activity. (See attached file receipt and letter.)

Sent By: Donna S. Brown Date: September 2, 2022

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Florida Division of Elections - Electronic Filing System

Treasurer Report Status ID: 70050 Name: Florida Women In Action Report: 2022 - P1 - 101 Print Date: 8/18/2022 11:21:15 AM Election: 2022 General Election Covers: 6/1/2022-6/17/2022 Amended 🗹 Waiver Due: 6/24/2022 File Status: Filed Report Filed: 7/8/2022 4:05:03 PM Review Status: Reviewed Reviewed: 7/8/2022 Detail Complete: No Detail Records Found **Number of Detail Records** File Method: Web Filed Contributions: 0 Entry Method: Web Data Entry Expenditures: 0 Fund Transfers: 0 Pending Queued Items: 0

Distributions:

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To Print Report: Right Click Mouse and Select 'Print'

http://efsbatch/PrintReportSubmitted.aspx?AcctNum=70050&SeqNum=101

8/18/2022



June 28, 2022

Patricia Williams, Chairperson Florida Women In Action Post Office Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302-2302

PAC 70050

Dear Ms. Williams:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was June 24, 2022.

The law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) requires the filing officer to immediately notify you about the missed filing date and the automatic fines that will be assessed for late filing of a report, if a report was due.

 If reportable activity occurred and you have not filed a report, statutory fines are automatically assessed as follows until you file your report:

\$50 per day for the first 3 days late

\$500 per day for each day after the 3rd day late

If the required report immediately precedes a primary and general election, the automatic fine is \$500 for each late day.

The total fine for the untimely report cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the cover period. Even if you end up filing your report late, we cannot waive the statutory fines. We will notify you of the specific amount of fines owed once you file your report. You have 20 days from the day you receive the notice to pay the fine or to appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission.

• If no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to notify us in writing, via the Division's Electronic Filing System, that no reportable activity occurred. No automatic fines are statutorily assessed.

However, in all cases, failure to file and/or untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief **Bureau of Election Records**

cc: Dana Dudley, Treasurer

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Florida Division of Elections - Electronic Filing System

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Report: 2022 - P1A - 102	Print Date: 8/18/2022 11:20:28 AM
Election: 2022 General Election	
Covers: 6/18/2022-6/24/2022 Due: 7/1/2022	Amended Waiver
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Treasurer Report Status

Report: 2022 - P3 - 105	Print Date: 8/18/2022 11:21:00 AM
ection: 2022 General Election	
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July 26, 2022

Patricia Williams, Chairperson Florida Women In Action Post Office Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302-2302 PAC 70050

Dear Ms. Williams:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was July 22, 2022.

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Sincerely, mo S. B.

Donna S. Brown, Chief Bureau of Election Records

cc: Dana Dudley, Treasurer

Treasurer Report Status

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Report: 2022 - P		Print Date: 8/18/2022 11:20:46 A	
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		Expenditures: 0	
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August 1, 2022

Patricia Williams, Chairperson Florida Women In Action Post Office Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302-2302 PAC 70050

Dear Ms. Williams:

Our records indicate that you have not filed either your campaign treasurer's report or notification that no reportable activity occurred, whichever is applicable. The filing date was July 29, 2022.

The law (s. 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat.) requires the filing officer to immediately notify you about the missed filing date and the automatic fines that will be assessed for late filing of a report, if a report was due.

• If reportable activity occurred and you have not filed a report, statutory fines are automatically assessed as follows until you file your report:

\$50 per day for the first 3 days late \$500 per day for each day after the 3rd day late If the required report immediately precedes a primary and general election, the automatic fine is \$500 for each late day.

The total fine for the untimely report cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the cover period. Even if you end up filing your report late, we cannot waive the statutory fines. We will notify you of the specific amount of fines owed once you file your report. You have 20 days from the day you receive the notice to pay the fine or to appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission.

• If no reportable activity occurred for the report date(s), you are still required to notify us in writing, via the Division's Electronic Filing System, that no reportable activity occurred. No automatic fines are statutorily assessed.

However, in all cases, failure to file and/or untimely filing of a report of reportable activity, or if applicable, a notice that no reportable activity occurred, may constitute an apparent violation of chapter 106, Fla. Stat. If we refer such matter to the Florida Elections Commission, the Commission may subsequently impose a civil penalty for each violation under chapter 106.265(1), Fla. Stat.

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

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief

Bureau of Election Records

cc: Dana Dudley, Treasurer

Treasurer Report Status

D: 70050 Name: Florida We	omen In Action
Report: 2022 - P5 - 107 ilection: 2022 General Election	Print Date: 8/18/2022 11:20:17 AM
Covers: 7/23/2022-7/29/2022 Due: 8/5/2022	Amended Waiver
Filed: 8/10/2022 5:35:17 PM	File Status: Filed Report
eviewed: 8/10/2022	Review Status: Reviewed
	Detail Complete: No Detail Records Found
File Method: Web Filed	Number of Detail Records
try Method: Web Data Entry	Contributions: 0
-,,	Expenditures: 0
Pending Queued Items: 0	Fund Transfers: 0
	Distributions: 0
To Print Report: Right Click	Mouse and Select 'Print'



August 9, 2022

Patricia Williams, Chairperson Florida Women In Action Post Office Box 11012 Tallahassee, FL 32302-2302 PAC 70050

Dear Ms. Williams:

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