

LEE COUNTY'S
ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM
FOR CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORTS

Political committees are required to file campaign treasurer's reports electronically. The electronically filed report **must be filed before 12:00 A.M. (Midnight) Eastern Standard Time of the due date.**

The committee's User ID and password, will be required in order to file your report electronically.

If a committee experiences technical difficulty with the Electronic Filing System and must submit an original, signed report, the original, signed report, if hand delivered, is due by 5:00 p.m. on the due date. If the original, signed report is mailed, the report must bear a United States Postal Service post mark reflecting the report's due date or an earlier date. See section on FILING CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORTS in this brochure for more information. (FS 106.07)

If necessary, a committee can obtain the necessary blank campaign treasurer's reporting forms by visiting the Florida Division of Elections website at:
<http://election.dos.state.fl.us>.

FILING AUTHORITY

Campaign reports are filed with the agency or officer before whom such party or committee registers. Municipal political committees file with the City Clerk or Town Clerk. (FS 106.07)

INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE REPORTS

Reports are filed with the same officer as a political committee supporting or opposing such candidate or issue. (FS 106.04, 106.07, and 106.071)

MAIL A ORIGINAL/SIGNED REPORT:
LEE COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

P O BOX 2545, FORT MYERS FL 33902-2545

HAND DELIVER A ORIGINAL/SIGNED REPORT:

LEE COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS
LEE COUNTY CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLEX
2480 THOMPSON ST—3RD FLOOR
FORT MYERS FL 33901

POLITICAL COMMITTEE
REGISTRATION

Each political committee that anticipates receiving contributions or making expenditures during a calendar year in an aggregate amount exceeding \$500 or that is seeking the signatures of registered electors in support of an initiative shall file a Statement of Organization within 10 days after its organization or, if later, within 10 days after the date on which it has information that causes the committee to anticipate that it will receive contributions or make expenditures in excess of \$500. If a political committee is organized within 10 days of any election, it shall immediately file a Statement of Organization. (FS 106.03)

APPOINTING A
CAMPAIGN TREASURER

Each political committee will also be required appoint a campaign treasurer and designate a campaign depository by filing Form DS-DE 6 Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository. (FS 106.021)

APPOINTING A REGISTERED AGENT

Each political committee must have and continuously maintain in this state a registered office and a registered agent and must file with the Division of Elections a Registered Agent Statement of Appointment Form DS-DE 41 for the registered office and registered agent. An entity without a registered agent may not make expenditures or accept contributions. (FS 106.022)

2010

LEE COUNTY
CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S
REPORTING DATES FOR
POLITICAL COMMITTEES
AND
INDEPENDENT
EXPENDITURE REPORTS

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239-LEE VOTE OR 239-533-8683
www.leeelections.com

2010 ELECTION DATES

Primary Election	August 24, 2010
General Election	November 2, 2010

CANDIDATE QUALIFYING DATES

Federal, Judicial, State Attorney, and Public Defender
Noon, April 26, 2010 through Noon, April 30, 2010

Statewide, Multi-county, County,
District and Special District
Noon, June 14, 2010 through Noon, June 18, 2010

FILING CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORTS (FS 106.07)

If it becomes necessary for a committee to file an original, signed campaign treasurer's report, the report must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on or by the 10th day following the end of each calendar quarter from the time the campaign treasurer is appointed. United States postmark bearing the due date or an earlier date is acceptable.

Following the last day of qualifying for candidates, candidates AND political committee reports are filed on the 32nd, 18th and 4th days preceding the primary election and on the 46th, 32nd, 18th and 4th days preceding the general election.

If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the report is due on the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

WAIVER OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT (FS 106.07)

When there has been no activity in the committee's campaign account during a reporting period (no funds expended or received) the filing of the report may be waived by notifying the filing officer, in writing, that no activity has occurred. This notification must be made on the prescribed reporting date by electronic transmission or, when necessary, by filing an original notice with the Lee County Supervisor of Elections.

PENALTIES FOR FILING A LATE REPORT (FS 106.07)

Late reports are subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 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 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

DISBANDMENT OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE (FS 106.03)

Any political committee, which after having filed one or more statements of organization, disbands or determines it will no longer receive contributions or make expenditures during the calendar year in an aggregate amount exceeding \$500 shall notify the filing officer. The committee shall dispose of surplus funds in accordance with the committee's filed Statement of Organization. (FS 106.03)

REPORT SCHEDULE

Cover Period	Report Code	Due Date
10/01/09—12/31/09	2009 Q4	01/11/10
01/01/10—03/31/10	2010 Q1	04/12/10
04/01/10—07/16/10	2010 F1	07/23/10
07/17/10—07/30/10	2010 F2	08/06/10
07/31/10—08/19/10	2010 F3	08/20/10
08/20/10—09/10/10	2010 G1	09/17/10
09/11/10—09/24/10	2010 G2	10/01/10
09/25/10—10/08/10	2010 G3	10/15/10
10/09/10—10/28/10	2010 G4	10/29/10
10/29/10—12/31/10	2010 Q4	01/10/11

INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES AND INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE REPORTING (FS 106.071)

Each person who makes an independent expenditure which, in the aggregate, is in the amount of \$100 or more, shall file reports of such expenditures in the same manner, at the same time, and are subject to the same penalties as a political committee supporting such candidate or issue. Independent expenditure reports are not required to be filed electronically with the Lee County Supervisor of Elections. (FS 106.071)

Independent expenditure reports that are required to be filed with the Lee County Supervisor of Elections do not need to be filed electronically. Please contact the Lee County Supervisor of Elections about filing requirements, if you need to file an Independent Expenditure Report at 239-533-8683.

3-PACK ENDORSEMENTS BY POLITICAL PARTIES AND POLITICAL COMMITTEES

Any political advertisement made pursuant to FS. 106.021(3)(d), (3-pack endorsements), must be marked "paid political advertisement" or with the abbreviation "pd. pol. adv." and must prominently state, "Paid for and sponsored by ...(name of person paying for political advertisement).... Approved by ...(names of persons, party affiliation, and offices sought in the political advertisement)." This does not apply to campaign messages used by a candidate and the candidate's supporters if those messages are designed to be worn by a person. (FS 106.143)

REPORTING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN CONTRIBUTIONS-EFFECTIVE 01-01-2008

Contributions to a political committee or committee of continuous existence may be received by an affiliated organization and transferred to the bank account of the political committee or committee of continuous existence via check written from the affiliated organization if such contributions are specifically identified as intended to be contributed to the political committee or committee of continuous existence. All contributions received in this manner shall be reported pursuant to s. 106.07 by the political committee or committee of continuous existence as having been made by the original contributor. (FS 106.08)

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS AND CONTRIBUTION BY CASHIER'S CHECKS-EFFECTIVE 01-01-2008

A person may not make or accept a cash contribution or contribution by means of a cashier's check in excess of \$50. (FS 106.09)

CONTRIBUTION LIMITS TO THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE

- Political committee supporting or opposing issues only—no limit.
- Political committee supporting or opposing one or more candidates—\$500 per election
- Political committee supporting or opposing both issues and candidates—\$500 per election.