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2022 FILING SCHEDULE

For Traditionally Financed Legislative and County Candidates

PRIMARY ELECTION: June 14, 2022

GENERAL ELECTION: November 8, 2022

Type of Report	FILING DEADLINE (BY 11:59 P.M.)	REPORT PERIOD	
2022 January Semiannual	January 18, 2022	If filing first report: Beginning of campaign – Dec 31, 2021 or If filed 2021 July Semiannual: July 1, 2021 – Dec 31, 2021	
* Candidates raising or spending more than \$500 in 2021 must file campaign finance report showing all contributions received and all expenditures made during the applicable reporting periods. Please see information on back to determine your semiannual filing requirement.			
11-Day Pre-Primary	June 3, 2022	If semiannual report(s) filed, report period is: January 1, 2022 – May 31, 2022 If 2022 January Semiannual report(s) NOT filed, report period is: Beginning of campaign – May 31, 2022	
42-Day Post-Primary	July 26, 2022	June 1 – July 19, 2022	
42-Day Pre-General	September 27, 2022	July 20 – September 20, 2022	
11-Day Pre-General	October 28, 2022	September 21 – October 25, 2022	
42-Day Post-General	December 20, 2022	October 26 – December 13, 2022	

24-HOUR REPORTS FOR CONTESTED CANDIDATES

24-Hour Reporting Periods (13 days before the election)	WHEN TO FILE THE REPORT		
Primary: June 1 – June 13, 2022 General: October 26 – November 7, 2022	<u>Within 24 hours</u> , including weekends and holidays, of receiving the contribution, making the expenditure, incurring the obligation, or placing the order.		
WHAT TO REPORT:			
Expenditures:	Contributions:		
Any single expenditure of \$1,000 or more. Orders placed with or obligations made to vendors for goods or services are considered expenditures at the time the obligations are made. Please refer to the Commission's Rules, Chapter 1, Section 7(3) for more information concerning events which constitute making an expenditure and the timing and reporting of these expenditures.	Any single contribution aggregating \$1,000 or more. This includes contributions from the candidate, candidate spouse/domestic partner and a single loan of \$1,000 or more. County candidates please note: For the purposes of filing a 24-Hour Report, a contribution for the <u>general</u> election received in the 13-day period <i>before the primary election</i> is not reported in a 24-Hour Report. For example: On June 3, 2022, you receive a \$1,700 contribution - \$850 for the primary and \$850 for the general. The \$850 primary contribution is less than \$1,000 threshold.		

2022 PRE-ELECTION SEMIANNUAL REPORTS FOR LEGISLATIVE AND COUNTY CANDIDATES IN THE 2022 ELECTIONS

What events determine when pre-election semiannual reports are required? The campaign's fundraising and spending. If the campaign has raised or spent more than \$500 in 2021, a semiannual report is required.

What determines if both the 2021 July and 2022 January reports are required? The date on which the campaign raises or spends more than the threshold amount (\$500). If more than \$500 has been raised or spent on or before July1, 2021, both reports are required. If the campaign's fundraising and spending goes over the threshold amount after July 1 and before December 31, 2021, only the 2022 January report is required.

If a campaign does not go over the threshold amount in calendar year 2021, what is the first report filed for the 2022 elections? The 11-Day Pre-Primary Report is the first report filed by the campaign and covers the period from the beginning of the campaign through May 31, 2022.

FILING PROCEDURES

Electronically Filed Campaign Finance Reports. Candidates who receive or expect to receive at least \$1,500 for their campaigns must file reports electronically on the Commission's website. Candidates or treasurers must enter the required information and click "File Report" by 11:59 p.m. on the filing deadline. The deadline for filing a 24-Hour Report is <u>no later than 24 hours</u> after receiving the contribution or making the expenditure (as described on the previous page).

Candidates who do not have access to technology, or the technological ability to file reports electronically, may file their reports using paper forms, after requesting a waiver of the electronic filing requirement. The Commission will grant all reasonable requests. The deadline for filing a waiver request is <u>April 15, 2022</u>.

Commission staff will be available until 5:00 p.m. on filing deadlines to offer assistance to candidates, treasurers and campaign staff.