

2003 Campaign Finance Reporting Dates

2002 Annual Report Deadline		
Type of Report	Complete As Of	Filing Deadline
2002 Annual Report	Tuesday, December 31, 2002	Friday, January 31, 2003

2003 Primary Election Campaign Finance Report Deadlines			
Type of Report	Cycle	Complete As Of	Filing Deadline
Sixth Tuesday Pre-Primary	1	Monday, March 31, 2003	Tuesday, April 8, 2003
Second Friday Pre-Primary	2	Monday, May 5, 2003	Friday, May 9, 2003
Thirty Day Post-Primary	3	Monday, June 9, 2003	Thursday, June 19, 2003

2003 Municipal Election Campaign Finance Report Deadlines			
Type of Report	Cycle	Complete As Of	Filing Deadline
Sixth Tuesday Pre-Election	4	Monday, September 15, 2003	Tuesday, September 23, 2003
Second Friday Pre-Election	5	Monday, October 20, 2003	Friday, October 24, 2003
Thirty Day Post-Election	6	Monday, November 24, 2003	Thursday, December 4, 2003

2003 Annual Report Deadline			
Type of Report	Cycle	Complete As Of	Filing Deadline
Annual Report	7	Wednesday, December 31, 2003	Monday, February 2, 2004

POSTMARKS are acceptable as proof of timely filing when the report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the *day prior* to the filing deadline.

<p>SIXTH TUESDAY PRE-PRIMARY / ELECTION REPORTS are required to be filed <i>only</i> by candidates for <i>statewide</i> office, their authorized candidate committees, and any political committee or lobbyist that has</p>
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made an expenditure to influence the election of a statewide candidate. In 2003, *statewide* offices appearing on the ballot include the following:

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT**

Political committees/lobbyists that have not made an expenditure to influence the election of a candidate for statewide office need not file the Sixth Tuesday Pre Primary/ Election report.

SECOND FRIDAY PRE- and THIRTY DAY POST-PRIMARY/ ELECTION REPORTS are required to be filed by all candidates appearing on the ballot and all political committees and lobbyists that have made expenditures to influence the election of such candidates. In 2003, offices appearing on the ballot include:

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT
JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
ALL LOCAL/MUNICIPAL OFFICES**

ANNUAL REPORTS must be filed by *all* candidates, political committees and contributing lobbyists who have not filed a termination report.

PENALTIES

In accordance with the Campaign Expense Reporting Law, those who file required reports after the filing deadline are assessed a late filing fee of \$20 per day for the first six days that a report is late, and \$10 per day thereafter, up to a maximum penalty of \$250.

SPECIAL ELECTION

In the event of any special election, candidates and committees should contact this bureau regarding reporting requirements and filing deadlines.

POLITICAL COMMITTEE TREASURERS

It is the treasurer's responsibility to file required committee reports. Keep this schedule available for reference prior to each reporting deadline. If you need a reporting form, you may request one from this bureau or print one from the Department's web site. Please note that all reports **must include your filer identification number** on the cover page.

QUESTIONS? If you have any questions about Pennsylvania's Campaign Expense Reporting Law or reporting requirements, please direct them to the Campaign Finance Division of this bureau at 717-787-5280 or via email at ra-bcel@state.pa.us .

NOTE: All dates are subject to change without notice in the event of passage of any amendatory legislation.
