

## COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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2010 ELECTION DATES			
Primary Election. May 18, 2010 General Election. November 2, 2010			
2009 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT FILING DATES			
TYPE OF REPORT		COMPLETE AS OF	FILING DEADLINE
2009 Annual Report		Thurs., December 31, 2009	Monday, February 1, 2010
2010 PRIMARY CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT DEADLINES			
Sixth Tuesday Pre-Primary	Cycle 1	Monday, March 29, 2010	Tuesday, April 6, 2010
Second Friday Pre-Primary	Cycle 2	Monday, May 3, 2010	Friday, May 7, 2010
Thirty Day Post-Primary	Cycle 3	Monday, June 7, 2010	Thursday, June 17, 2010
2010 GENERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT DEADLINES			
Sixth Tuesday Pre-Election	Cycle 4	Monday, September 13, 2010	Tuesday, September 21, 2010
Second Friday Pre-Election	Cycle 5	Monday, October 18, 2010	Friday, October 22, 2010
Thirty Day Post-Election	Cycle 6	Monday, November 22, 2010	Thursday, December 2, 2010
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2010 ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE			
2010 Annual Report	Cycle 7	Fri., December 31, 2010	Monday, January 31, 2011

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

<u>SIXTH TUESDAY PRE-PRIMARY or PRE-ELECTION REPORTS</u> are required to be filed *only* by candidates for <u>statewide</u> office, their authorized candidate committees, and any political committee or lobbyist that has made an expenditure to influence the election of a <u>statewide</u> candidate. In 2010, <u>statewide</u> offices appearing on the ballot include the following:

## GOVERNOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Political committees/lobbyists that have <u>not</u> made an expenditure to influence the election of a candidate for the <u>statewide offices</u> listed above do <u>not</u> need to file the Sixth Tuesday Pre Primary/Election report

<u>SECOND FRIDAY PRE</u>- and <u>THIRTY DAY POST-PRIMARY or ELECTION REPORTS</u> 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 2010, offices appearing on the ballot include:

## GOVERNOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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

PENALTIES - In accordance with the Campaign Finance 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 print one from the Department's web site (<a href="www.dos.state.pa.us">www.dos.state.pa.us</a>) or request one from the bureau. You may also file your report online. From the web site, select the link to Campaign Finance and then to Online Filing for more information. Please remember that all reports <a href="mailto:must include your fileridentification number">must include your fileridentification number</a> on the cover page.

REPORTING OF LATE CONTRIBUTIONS - Section 1628 of the Campaign Expense Reporting Law requires any candidate or political committee, authorized by a candidate and created solely for the purpose of influencing an election on behalf of that candidate, which receives any contribution or pledge of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more after the final pre-election/pre-primary report has been deemed completed shall report such contribution to the appropriate supervisor. The candidate, chairperson or treasurer of the political committee shall send the report of late contributions within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the contribution. The bureau will accept the filing of *late contribution reports* by facsimile at 717-705-0721, or via e-mail at: <a href="mailto:ra-stcampaignfinance@state.pa.us">ra-stcampaignfinance@state.pa.us</a>. The filing of reports by facsimile or e-mail applies <a href="mailto:only">only</a> to late contribution reports; it does <a href="mailto:not reports">not apply</a> to the filing of campaign finance reports. The filing of late contribution reports does not remove the obligation to also report those contributions on the appropriate post-election/post-primary expense report filing. Please contact our office for specific reporting dates for late contribution reports.

QUESTIONS - If you have any questions about Pennsylvania's Campaign Finance 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-stcampaignfinance@state.pa.us.

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