

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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2019 ELECTION DATES			
Primary Election Municipal Election			May 21, 2019 November 5, 2019
2018 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT FILING DATES			
TYPE OF REPORT		COMPLETE AS OF	FILING DEADLINE
2018 Annual Report		Monday, December 31, 2018	Thursday, January 31, 2019
2019 PRIMARY CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT DEADLINES			
Sixth Tuesday Pre-Primary	Cycle 1	Monday, April 1, 2019	Tuesday, April 9, 2019
Second Friday Pre-Primary	Cycle 2	Monday, May 6, 2019	Friday, May 10, 2019
24-Hour Reporting	Daily	Tues, May 7, 2019 (begins)	(ends/includes) May 21, 2019
Thirty Day Post-Primary	Cycle 3	Monday, June 10, 2019	Thursday, June 20, 2019
2019 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT DEADLINES			
Sixth Tuesday Pre-Election	Cycle 4	Mon., September 16, 2019	Tuesday, September 24, 2019
Second Friday Pre-Election	Cycle 5	Monday, October 21, 2019	Friday, October 25, 2019
24-Hour Reporting	Daily	Tues, Oct. 22, 2019 (begins)	(ends/includes) Nov. 5, 2019
Thirty Day Post-Election	Cycle 6	Mon., November 25, 2019	Thursday, December 5, 2019
2019 ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE			
2019 Annual Report	Cycle 7	Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019	Friday, January 31, 2020

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 2019, <u>statewide</u> 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 <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, their authorized candidate committees, and all political committees and lobbyists that have made expenditures to influence the election of such candidates. In 2019, 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

JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT (PHILADELPHIA COUNTY)

ALL LOCAL/MUNICIPAL OFFICES (FILED WITH APPROPRIATE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS)

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 (www.dos.pa.gov) 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 must include your filer identification number on the cover page.

24 HOUR REPORTING - Section 1628 of the Campaign Expense Reporting Law, 25 P.S. § 3248, 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, <u>or</u> any person making an independent expenditure of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more after the final pre-election/pre-primary report has been deemed completed shall report such contribution or expenditure 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 same shall apply to persons making independent expenditures. The bureau will accept the filing of 24 Hour Reports by facsimile at 717-705-0721, or via e-mail at:

<u>ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov</u>. The filing of reports by facsimile or e-mail applies <u>only</u> to 24 Hour Reports; it does <u>not</u> apply 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 e-mail at ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov.

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