

**NOTICE OF CLARIFICATION**  
**CAMPAIGN EXPENSE REPORTING FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**  
**for JUDICIAL CANDIDATES**

As we come to the close of this municipal election year, we wanted to clarify and correct some information which you may have recently received in a document prepared by the Department of State entitled “Campaign Expense Reporting Frequently Asked Questions for Judicial Candidates” (January 2017).

Unfortunately, the answer to the question “When must I terminate my authorized committee?” is inaccurate as originally published. The Code of Judicial Conduct does not require termination of a committee; rather, it only addresses fundraising activities of judicial candidates and campaigns.

Here is the **corrected** question and answer:

- When must I terminate my authorized committee?
  - There is no set date by which the judicial candidate’s authorized committee must be terminated, but all fundraising activities in connection with a campaign must end no later than the last calendar day of the year in which the judicial election is held. See Rule 4.4(B)(2) of the Code of Judicial Conduct. Please keep in mind committees, which do not terminate, must continue to file reports as prescribed by the campaign finance reporting law.