



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
AND POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE
STATE OF ARIZONA
CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

Location: Citizens Clean Elections Commission
1110 W. Washington, Suite 250
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Date: Thursday, March 27, 2025

Time: 10:00 a. m.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the Commissioners of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission and the general public that the Citizens Clean Elections Commission will hold a regular meeting, which is open to the public on March 27, 2025. This meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. **This meeting will be held in person and virtually. The meeting location will be open by 9:45 a.m. at the latest.** Instructions on how the public may participate in this meeting are below. For additional information, please call (602) 364-3477 or contact Commission staff at ccec@azcleelections.gov.

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The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice on any item listed on the agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3). The Commission reserves the right at its discretion to address the agenda matters in an order different than outlined below.

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The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- I. Call to Order.
- II. Discussion and Possible Action on Meeting Minutes for February 27, 2025.
- III. Discussion and Possible Action on Executive Director's Report, Enforcement and Regulatory Updates, and Legislative Update.

Note: The executive director's report includes announcements and information about elections and campaign finance, a report on voter education activities, administrative information, information on candidates running clean, reports on legal proceedings involving Clean Elections and other Arizona election officials, a report on correspondence from other agencies, appointments, enforcement status (including complaints that have been closed), and the regulatory agenda. The legislative update includes bills under consideration by the Arizona legislature. It is included in the Commission packet available on the Commission's website or by request at ccec@azcleelections.gov.

IV. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Repayment Order for Hector Jaramillo, 2024 participating candidate for state legislature.

The Commission may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice on any item listed on the agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3).

V. Discussion and Possible Action on the following 2024 General Election Candidate Audits:

- A. Joshua Ayala – Senate, LD 11
- B. Robert Doyle – Senate, LD 10
- C. Elizabeth Brown – Senate, LD 14
- D. Joseph Daily – House, LD 11
- E. Tanairi Ochoa-Martinez – House, LD 29

VI. Public Comment.

This is the time for consideration of comments and suggestions from the public. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date or responding to criticism

VII. Adjournment.

This agenda is subject to change up to 24 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of the agenda background material provided to the Commission (with the exception of material relating to possible executive sessions) is available for public inspection at the Commission’s office, 1110 W Washington St, #250, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

Dated this 25th day of March, 2025
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director

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THE STATE OF ARIZONA
CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PUBLIC MEETING

Phoenix, Arizona
February 27, 2025
10:00 a.m.

By: Kathryn A. Blackwelder, RPR
Certified Reporter
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<p>1 PUBLIC MEETING BEFORE THE CITIZENS CLEAN 2 ELECTIONS COMMISSION convened at 10:00 a.m. on February 3 27, 2025, at the State of Arizona, Clean Elections 4 Commission, 1110 West Washington, Conference Room, 5 Phoenix, Arizona, in the presence of the following 6 Board Members: 7 8 Mr. Mark Kimble, Chairman 9 Mr. Galen Paton 10 Ms. Amy Chan 11 Mr. Steve Titla 12 Ms. Christina Werther 13 14 OTHERS PRESENT: 15 16 Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director 17 Paula Thomas, Executive Officer 18 Mike Becker, Policy Director 19 Gina Roberts, Voter Education Director 20 Avery Xola, Voter Education Manager 21 Mary O'Grady, Osborn Maledon 22 Eric Fraser, Osborn Maledon 23 Cathy Herring, Meeting Planner, KCA 24 Richard Corles, Member of the Public 25 Bill Oter, Member of the Public</p>	<p>1 motion to approve the minutes? 2 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Motion to approve the 3 minutes for January 30th, 2025. 4 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 5 Werther. 6 Is there a second? 7 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second. 8 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 9 Paton. 10 It's been moved by Commissioner Werther and 11 seconded by Commissioner Paton that we approve the 12 minutes. I will call the roll. 13 Commissioner Werther. 14 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye. 15 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton. 16 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye. 17 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Chan. 18 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye. 19 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Titla. 20 (No response.) 21 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Hearing nothing from 22 Commissioner Titla, the minutes are approved 4-to-0. 23 Item III, discussion and possible action on 24 the Executive Director's Report. Tom. 25 MR. COLLINS: Commissioners, thank you for</p>
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<p>1 P R O C E E D I N G 2 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Good morning. Agenda 3 Item I is the call to order. It's 10:00 a.m. on 4 February 27th, 2025. I'm Mark Kimble. I call this 5 meeting of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission to 6 order. 7 With that, we will take attendance. 8 Commissioners, please identify yourselves for the 9 record. 10 COMMISSIONER PATON: Galen Paton. 11 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Christina Werther. 12 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Amy Chan. 13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: And Commissioner Titla, you 14 are with us? 15 (No response.) 16 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: I believe you're with us, 17 Commissioner Titla, although you may be muted. But we 18 will proceed on the belief that we have all five 19 Commissioners with us this morning. 20 Item II, discussion and possible action on 21 minutes for the January 30th, 2025 meeting. 22 Commissioners, you have the minutes from our January 23 meeting in your packet. Is there any discussion? 24 (No response.) 25 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Hearing none, do I have a</p>	<p>1 being here. Thanks. 2 Really kind of a brief report, but there is a 3 local election in Tucson. It is an all-mail election, 4 so that means that everybody who's eligible to vote 5 gets a ballot by mail. And tomorrow is the last day 6 for folks to request a replacement ballot by mail, and 7 then the -- we recommend that folks mail back no 8 longer -- no later than March 4th. And we've got 9 information about that election on our website. 10 A couple things I really wanted to highlight 11 as far as voter education. Avery has been working to 12 put together a voter outreach work group, including 13 representatives -- ultimately hope that -- he hopes to 14 have all the counties' representatives there. I think 15 this is a really good initiative because it will help 16 to make sure that, you know, the counties and Avery can 17 coordinate on information, issues they're identifying, 18 you know, leverage their resources together, so I'm 19 very excited about that. I think it's a good step to 20 sort of formalize and make, you know, some permanence 21 to the role we've been playing in supporting county 22 election officials. So that's really exciting. 23 And Captain Activate was at the Legislative 24 Conference Youth Day. I stole that picture from Avery 25 and put it in the report, so hopefully everyone is okay</p>

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<p>1 with that. I couldn't resist. So that was cool. 2 And then we are working on starting our 3 research around voter education that we do in the off 4 years to sort of understand where voters are coming 5 from, and that will be ongoing beginning next month. 6 I think the other issues in the -- in the -- 7 in the, you know, the legal report, we have an item on 8 our Agenda later to talk about the case that the 9 Supreme Court will have argument on next -- next week. 10 So really that's -- that's about all I got. 11 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Tom. 12 Are there any questions or comments from 13 Members of the Commission? 14 (No response.) 15 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Thank you. 16 We'll move on to Item IV, discussion and 17 possible action on the 2024 Annual Report. The 18 Commission provides a regular report to the Governor 19 and the Legislature on its activities. The report is 20 in your packet, this colorful report. 21 Do any of the Commissioners have questions 22 for staff about the report? 23 MR. COLLINS: We chose the -- 24 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Tom. 25 MR. COLLINS: Yeah. The design, just for</p>	<p>1 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Chair votes aye. 2 The Annual Report is approved 4-to-nothing. 3 Item V, discussion and possible action on 4 Montenegro, formerly Toma, versus Fontes, Arizona 5 Supreme Court Number CV-24-0166-PR, and litigation 6 arising from the Voters' Right to Know Act. 7 Commissioners, next week the Arizona Supreme 8 Court will hold oral arguments in the case Montenegro 9 versus Fontes. Our attorneys in that matter are 10 available to brief us on that matter. Is there a 11 motion to go into executive session to meet with our 12 attorneys? 13 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I move to go into 14 executive session. 15 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 16 Werther. 17 Is there a second? 18 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second. 19 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: I will call the roll on 20 Commissioner Werther's motion and Commissioner Paton's 21 second to go into executive session. 22 Commissioner Werther. 23 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye. 24 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton. 25 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.</p>
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<p>1 everyone, is to reflect our debate stage at the -- for 2 the broadcast debates that we did last year. 3 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Thank you. 4 Hearing no questions or comments from Members 5 of the Commission, do I have a motion to approve the 6 Annual Report? 7 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I move to approve the 8 2024 Annual Report. 9 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 10 Werther. 11 Is there a second? 12 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second. 13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 14 Paton. 15 It's been moved by Commissioner Werther, 16 seconded by Commissioner Paton that we approve the 17 Annual Report. I will call the roll. 18 Commissioner Werther. 19 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye. 20 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton. 21 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye. 22 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Chan. 23 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye. 24 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Titla. 25 (No response.)</p>	<p>1 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Chan. 2 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye. 3 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Titla. 4 (No response.) 5 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Chair votes aye. 6 We have voted 4-to-nothing to go into 7 executive session. 8 MR. COLLINS: So just to note, for those of 9 you who are in the online audience, the executive 10 session will be closed to you. But if you're here for 11 a later Agenda item, we'll be back out after it. 12 (The following section of the meeting is in 13 executive session and bound under separate cover.) 14 * * * * * 15 (End of executive session. Public meeting 16 resumes at 10:46 a.m.) 17 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: We are back in regular 18 session. Let the record show Commissioner Chan had to 19 leave us for a previous commitment, so we still have 20 four Members of the Commission present. 21 We will now move to Item VI, discussion and 22 possible action on the following 2024 primary and 23 general election candidate audits. Mike and our 24 auditors at Fester and Chapman have been reviewing 25 primary and general election clean candidates'</p>

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<p>1 financial records as part of our compliance process. 2 The rules require these audits to be approved by the 3 Commission. 4 With that, do any Members of the Commission 5 have questions for Tom or the rest of the staff, Mike, 6 or anyone? 7 (No response.) 8 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: No? 9 Mr. Corles, I see you were here. Did you 10 want to make a comment? 11 (No response.) 12 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Mr. Corles, you're on mute. 13 If you wish to make a comment, could you unmute 14 yourself? 15 MR. CORLES: No comment. 16 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Thank you. 17 Any -- no more comments or questions from the 18 Commission. I'll entertain a motion to approve the 19 audits identified in Item VI of the Agenda. 20 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I motion to approve 21 the 2024 primary and general election candidate audits. 22 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 23 Werther. 24 Is there a second? 25 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second.</p>	<p>1 there's anyone. 2 (No response.) 3 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Thank you. The 4 public may also send comments to the Commission by 5 e-mail at ccec@azcleelections.gov. 6 At this time, I would entertain a motion to 7 adjourn. 8 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I move to adjourn. 9 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 10 Werther. 11 Is there a second? 12 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second. 13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 14 Paton. 15 It's been moved by Commissioner Werther, 16 seconded by Commissioner Paton that we adjourn. I will 17 call the roll. 18 Commissioner Werther. 19 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye. 20 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton. 21 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye. 22 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Titla. 23 MS. HERRING: He's in the chat. 24 MS. THOMAS: He's responding via chat. 25 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: He's responded in chat?</p>
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<p>1 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner 2 Paton. 3 It's been moved by Commissioner Werther and 4 seconded by Commissioner Paton that we approve the 5 audits identified in Item VI of the Agenda. I will 6 call the roll. 7 Commissioner Werther. 8 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye. 9 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton. 10 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye. 11 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Titla. 12 (No response.) 13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: I know you're with us, 14 Commissioner Titla, but I can't hear your response. 15 The Chair votes aye, so the audits are 16 approved 3-to-nothing. 17 Item VII, this is the time for consideration 18 of comments and suggestions from the public. Action 19 taken as a result of public comment will be limited to 20 directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the 21 matter for further consideration and decision at a 22 later date or responding to criticism. Please limit 23 your comment to no more than two minutes. 24 Does any member of the public wish to make a 25 comment at this time, anyone on Zoom? Doesn't appear</p>	<p>1 What did he say? 2 MS. HERRING: "I vote aye to adjourn." 3 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Commissioner Titla 4 votes aye, Chair votes aye. 5 By a vote of 4-to-nothing, we are adjourned. 6 Thank you very much. 7 (The meeting concluded at 10:50 a.m.) 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p>

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**CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
March 27, 2025**

Announcements:

Congressional District 7:

On March 13, 2025, longtime Arizona Congressman Raúl M. Grijalva passed away. Congressman Grijalva (DEM) was elected at the 2024 general election to serve Arizona's 7th congressional district for a term of two years.

Arizona Revised Statutes § 16-222 requires a special election be held to fill the vacancy. Governor Hobbs issued a call for special primary election, to be held on July 15, 2025 and a special general election, to be held on September 23, 2025. The candidate that wins the general election will fill the CD7 seat for the remainder of the term (expires January 2027).

CD7 comprises the following counties: Cochise, Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz, and Yuma. **Staff is working to prepare debates for CD7 eligible candidates.** The filing period is underway and debates for the special primary will occur prior to the start of early voting (June 18th).

May 20, 2025 Local Elections:

The next local election date is May 20th. Staff is working to update the website with jurisdictional election information. The voter registration deadline is April 21st.

President's March 25 Executive Order on Elections

Highlights of the order, according to the White House, the Order.

- Requires the Election Assistance Commission to adopt a rule requiring documentary proof of citizenship on the federal voter registration form, enumerating specific forms of such documentary proof:
 - (A) a United States passport;

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- (B) an identification document compliant with the requirements of the REAL ID Act of 2005 (Public Law 109-13, Div. B) that indicates the applicant is a citizen of the United States;
- (C) an official military identification card that indicates the applicant is a citizen of the United States; or
- (D) a valid Federal or State government-issued photo identification if such identification indicates that the applicant is a United States citizen or if such identification is otherwise accompanied by proof of United States citizenship.
[ED- Appears limited from Arizona law and from congressional proposed SAVE Act]
- The Election Assistance Commission shall initiate appropriate action to amend the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines 2.0 and issue other appropriate guidance establishing standards for voting systems to protect election integrity.
 - Within 180 days of the date of this order, the Election Assistance Commission shall take appropriate action to review and, if appropriate, re-certify voting systems under the new standards, and to rescind all previous certifications of voting equipment based on prior standards.
[ED-Appears to change significantly EAC certification and implementation process]
- Requires paper ballot record for elections. [ED- Arizona uses paper ballots]
- Seeks to block ballots returned after election day from being counted. [ED- Arizona does not accept ballots for counting after polls close]
- Requires DOGE review of voter lists in conjunction with the Department of Homeland Security.
- Orders the Attorney General to prioritized election law enforcement. Includes potential financial penalties for states that do not comply with efforts to enforce laws.

The full order is here: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/03/preserving-and-protecting-the-integrity-of-american-elections/>.

A White House fact sheet is here: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/fact-sheets/2025/03/fact-sheet-president-donald-j-trump-protects-the-integrity-of-american-elections/>.

Voter Education and Outreach:

- Gina and Alec toured the Coconino County Elections facility and met with the Coconino County Recorder, Elections Director and staff to discuss voter education and outreach projects and collaborations.
- Gina, Avery, and Tom attended the Tucson Festival of Books and provided voter education and outreach at the League of Women Voters' Tucson Chapter booth. Captain Activate made a special appearance and distributed comic books to the future voters in attendance.
- Avery continues his collaborations with the Arizona African American Legislative Council, the Mesa Community College Civic Action Council and serves on the AZSOS Engagement Advisory Board committees.
- Avery met with Navajo County Voter Outreach coordinator to discuss a collaboration.

Legal:

- Center for Arizona Policy v. Arizona Secretary of State, Arizona Supreme Court No. CV-24-0295-PR.
 - The Respondents, including the Commission filed a brief in response to amicus briefs in favor of Petitioners this month.
 - The Arizona Supreme Court will consider the petition at a future conference.
- Americans for Prosperity v. Meyer, No. 24-2933 (9th Cir.).
 - Oral Argument will be May 15 at 9:30 a.m. at the Sandra Day O'Connor U.S. Courthouse in Phoenix. Please let us know if you would like to attend.
 - This case is a First Amendment challenge to Proposition 211.
- Montenegro v. Fontes, Arizona Supreme Court No. CV-24-0166-PR.
 - This case is submitted to the Arizona Supreme Court after oral argument earlier this month. A decision will issue in due course.
- The Power of Fives, LLC v. Clean Elections, CV2021-015826, Superior Court for Maricopa County & Clean Elections v. The Power of Fives, LLC et al. CV2022-053917, Superior Court for Arizona. No new developments.
- Branch et al. v. Collins, et al., CV2024-004136 in Superior Court for Maricopa County. A motion to dismiss the Plaintiffs' amended complaint was filed this week.

Appointments:

- No additional information.

Complaints

- MUR 24-01, Barnett
- MUR 24-05, Roberts
- MUR 24-07, Arizona Solutions PAC
- MUR 25-01, Jaramillo
- MUR 25-02, Abeytia
- MUR 25-03, Timberlake

2025 Regulatory Agenda:

The Commission may conduct a rulemaking even if the rulemaking is not included on the annual regulatory agenda. Staff will be taking a look at Proposition 211 implementation rules for improvement.

The following information is provided under A.R.S. § 41-1021.02:

- Notice of Docket Opening: **None.**
- Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: **None.**
- Federal funds for proposed rulemaking: **None**
- Review of existing rules: **None pending**
- Notice of Final Rulemaking: **None.**
- Rulemakings terminated: **None.**
- Privatization option or nontraditional regulatory approach considered: **None Applicable.**

2025 Legislative Update

HB2004 - Voter registration cards; mailing limitation

Sponsor

Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary

Prohibits the county recorders from providing an initial or updated voter registration card to a person whose mailing address is outside the state of Arizona, except for absent uniformed services voters or overseas voters as defined in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, and persons who are residents of Arizona and who are not served by a United States Post Office.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 5-2

Passed the House 32-27 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2005 - Voter registrations; recorder; inactive status

Sponsor

Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary

Permits the county recorders to place a person's voter registration information in inactive status and provide the person with notice of the action, if the County Recorder believes the person provided fraudulent or incorrect voter registration information

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the Senate

HB2006 - Election mailings; third-party disclosures

Sponsor

Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary

Requires a nongovernmental person or entity that mails or delivers by hand an official election-related document or a document that resembles an official election-related document from the county recorder, county officer in charge of elections, or the Secretary of State, including a voter registration

application or an early ballot request to include the words “not from a government agency” in boldfaced, clearly legible print on the outside of the envelope.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 5-2

Passed the House 37-19 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2007 - Voter registrations; payment prohibited

Sponsor

Rep. John Gillette (R)

Summary

Prohibits a person from paying or receiving money or any other thing of value based on the number of voter registrations or voter registration forms collected, completed or submitted.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 5-2

Passed the House 34-23 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 5-2

HB2017 - Voting centers ban; precinct size

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Jones (R)

Summary

Prohibits a designated election precinct from containing more than 1,000 registered voters at the time County Board of Supervisors designate precincts. Prohibits the Board from authorizing the use of voting centers in place of or in addition to specifically designated polling places and repeals all other associated mandates and prohibitions.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2021 - Early ballots; early voting; identification

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Prohibits early ballot distribution from beginning more than 30 days before an election and stipulates that if an early ballot request is received on or before the 34th day before the election, the early ballot may not be distributed earlier than the 30th day before the election. Requires the county recorder to mail an early ballot within 48 hours of the receipt of an early ballot request, if the request is complete and correct, and made within 30 days of an election. Modifies the required wording that must be printed on the backside of an official early ballot return envelope, and the official instructions included with the early ballot. Defines the criteria an early ballot submission must meet, beginning in 2026, to be counted as an official vote. Requires that a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections provide to a qualified elector who appears at the electors designated polling location, an on-site early voting location, or any other voting location after 7:00 PM on the Friday before Election Day proof that their ballot has been tabulated, provided that elector provide identification pursuant to state law.

HB2045 - Ballot order; names; parties; rotation

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Removes the exclusion for alternating the names of candidates on ballots in listed elections and during listed election related activities. Requires that beginning in 2027, the parties are to be alternated on the ballots used in each election precinct so that each party appears substantially in equal number of times at the top, bottom, and in each intermediate place of the list or group of parties in which they belong.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 7-0

Passed the House 59-0 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 7-0

HB2046 - Audits; precincts; voting centers

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Adds voting centers in with precincts for hand counts and defines when hand counts are to begin in listed election scenarios.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 7-0

Passed the House 59-0 and was sent to the Senate

HB2050 - Provisional ballots; cure data

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Adds electors that voted with a provisional ballot to the list of voter signatures that are to be sent to political parties after specified elections by the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 6-1

Passed the House 36-23 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2051 - Governor; question time

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Requires the Governor to appear before the legislature to answer questions posed by members of the legislature on the third Wednesday of every month the legislature is in session and lists the criteria for holding this special session. Stipulates that if the Governor is not present in the state, the Lieutenant Governor shall pose as a substitute and permits the Governor to designate that person, with approval from the presiding officer of the body to be attended, to appear for them. Presents the legislative intent that the Arizona legislature would like to emulate question and answer sessions that occur in the United Kingdom between Parliament and the Prime Minister.

Action Taken

Passed House Government 4-3

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the House

HB2060 - State sovereign authority; elections

Sponsor

Rep. Lisa Fink (R)

Summary

Requires that elections held in Arizona for federal offices adhere to the same rules and laws as elections held in Arizona for state and local offices, including statutes that cover voter registration and proof of citizenship, residency and identification.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-27 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Election 4-3

HB2072 - Voter registration; same day

Sponsor

Rep. Stacey Travers (D)

Summary

A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register during the 28 days immediately preceding an election and is eligible to vote in that election if the person has been a resident of the county and the precinct in which the person resides for at least 29 days immediately preceding the election. A person who is otherwise qualified to register to vote may register on election day by appearing at the polling place, completing a registration form, and providing proof of residence. A person registering in this manner may vote using a provisional ballot per state law. Registration under these circumstances does not qualify a person to vote in a partisan primary election.

HB2096 - Permanent early voting list

Sponsor

Rep. Seth Blattman (D)

Summary

Replaces "Active" early voter list with "Permanent" Early Voter list. Except in a special taxing district that is authorized to conduct its own election and a special district mail ballot election, a voter is no

longer removed automatically from being sent an early ballot if the voter fails to vote an early ballot in all “elections” (formerly defined) for two consecutive election cycles. Removes several exceptions to removing a voter from the permanent early voter list. Removes the definition of “election cycle” for this section.

HB2097 - Voting rights; restoration

Sponsor

Rep. Seth Blattman (D)

Summary

A person's right to vote is automatically restored on the person's completion of probation or the receipt of an absolute discharge from imprisonment.

HB2129 - Write-in candidates; filings; ballots

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Changes the deadline for a write-in candidate to file nomination paperwork to the 70th day before an election. Modifies the ballot format to accommodate as many blank lines as there are qualified write-in candidates, plus one additional blank line for each office, up to the total number of offices to be filled. Requires that there be one blank line for write-in candidates if no write-in candidates have qualified for an office and that each blank line will have a space for an elector to put a mark.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Federalism 7-0

Passed the House 53-0 and was sent to the Senate

HB2153 - Voting locations; political party observers

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)

Summary

Permits the county chairman of each political party to designate for each precinct or voting location a party representative and alternate for polling places including on site early voting locations, emergency early voting locations, or any other early voting location. Prohibits party challengers from entering a voting booth except to mark the challenger's ballot.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the Senate

HB2154 - Early voting list; undeliverable ballots

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)

Summary

Requires the county recorder or other election officer in charge to move a voter whose election notice is returned as undeliverable to inactive status, pursuant to state law, and from the active early voting list. Removes the requirement for follow up to determine the voter's new residence address.

Action Taken

Passed Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the Senate

HB2205 - Election procedures manual; authority

Sponsor

Rep. James Taylor (R)

Summary

States that the use of the Elections Procedures Manual does not constitute a delegation of the Legislature's power.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 33-26 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2206 - Multistate voter registration system; prohibition

Sponsor

Rep. James Taylor (R)

Summary

Prohibits Arizona from entering or being a member of any multi state voter registration, or voter registration lists maintenance organization, that requires Arizona to provide the organization with information derived from voter registration records.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 31-27 and was sent to the Senate

HB2368 - Auditor general; records; financial institutions

Sponsor

Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary

Requires the Auditor General or their authorized representative, in the performance of official duties, to have access to specific, listed information of financial institutions or financial enterprises, or any other information relating to any state agency, board, Commission, department, institution, program, Advisory Council, or committee or political subdivision of Arizona. Requires the affected financial institutions to provide requested information from the Auditor General, or their official representative, in a thorough and timely manner. Requires an authorized representative of the financial institution or enterprise to certify all information provided. Stipulates that the cost of complying with an Auditor General's request is to be covered by the state agency, board, Commission, department, institution, program, Advisory Council, or committee or political subdivision the Auditor General is reviewing. Stipulates that a financial institution or enterprise is not liable to the entity whose information it is turning over to the Auditor General, pursuant to state law.

Action Taken

Passed House Government 4-0

Passed the House 60-0 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Regulatory Affairs and Government Efficiency 6-1

HB2376 - County candidates; clean elections pamphlet

Sponsor

Rep. Pamela Carter (R)

Summary

Includes candidate names for county wide offices in the document that is delivered to eligible voters before the primary and general election, whether the candidate is participating or not participating. Stipulates that this legislation is effective only on the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of each House of the legislature.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 7-0

Passed the House 55-0 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 7-0

HB2390 - Justices of the peace; online signature

Sponsor

Rep. Neal Carter (R)

Summary

Allows Justice of the Peace candidates to use the Equal system to collect nomination petition signatures

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 7-0

Passed the House 59-0 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 7-0

HB2391 - JPs; constables; signatures

Sponsor

Rep. Neal Carter (R)

Summary

Adds that to run for Justice of the Peace, or constable, in a county with a population of one million or more people, petition requirements are that at least 1%, but not more than 10% of the number of qualified signers in a precinct. Adds that in a county of less than one million people, for the position of Justice of the Peace, a candidate qualifies if they produce 300 signatures from a precinct.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 4-2

Passed the House 33-25 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 5-2

HB2425 - Voter registration information; registers; violations

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Repeals the classification as a Class 6 Felony any person who allows a precinct list of registered voters, or any other list of registered voters to be used in any other manner than for officially approved purposes.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, Elections 4-3

Passed the House 33-26 and was sent to the Senate

HB2448 - Voting locations; emergency designation; electioneering

Sponsor

Rep. Michael Carbone (R)

Summary

Removes the following requirements that delineate that the county recorder or election officer must post a public list of any sites designated as emergency polling places—along with the reasons for that designation and attempts made to secure alternatives—at least two weeks before election day, and that if a site is not on the emergency-designation list, the facility must allow political activity outside the seventy-five-foot zone, and that should an emergency arise after the initial posting, the county recorder or election officer is required to update the list promptly with the relevant details.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, Elections 4-1

Passed the House 39-19 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2521 - Elections; foreign money

Sponsor

Rep. Michael Way (R)

Summary

Prohibits any Arizona government entity from using monies or in-kind goods or services that are donated, directly or indirectly, by a foreign government, or any “foreign nongovernmental source” (defined) for election administration. Requires any “person” (defined) or vendor that provides services to an Arizona government entity to provide a dated and sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, that they are not knowingly the recipient, directly or indirectly, of donations from a foreign source. This certification is to be updated annually and the person signing the statement shall update and amend their certification upon learning any new information pertaining to the above prohibitions. Lists the reports and records that must be submitted by government entities pertaining to verifying that no foreign influences have provided donations, directly or indirectly, from the individuals or vendors those agencies maintain a relationship with. Prescribes specific penalties for an individual for vendor who provides false information to the Arizona Secretary of State. Stipulates that for this legislation federally recognized sovereign tribal nations are not considered to be foreign governments. Prohibits any foreign government from aiding an individual or organization to help influence the outcome of an election or ballot measure. Requires any person, entity, or committee that is required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to state law, to certify under penalty of perjury in those reports that the person, entity or committee has not accepted or used monies or in-kind goods or services in violation of this legislation.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed House 33-25 and was sent to the Senate

HB2623 - Campaign finance; candidate committee transfers

Sponsor

Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

Summary

Permits a candidate committee for a city or town candidate to transfer contributions to that same candidate's statewide or legislative campaign, provided the aggregate amount of contributions from any individual that are transferred do not exceed the legal contribution limitations of the office for which the candidate is running. Requires that any ordinance, rule, resolution or regulation a county, city or town adopts that mandates a candidate's financial disclosure also require the candidate or campaign disclosure also be accessible to the public on the county, city or town website.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-0

Passed the House 37-21 and was sent to the Senate

HB2630 - Governor nominations; agency position; eligibility

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Modifies a reference to "his" to "the incumbent's." Stipulates that if the Senate rejects the nomination of a director made by the Governor pursuant to this legislation, the nominee is not eligible for any position within the same state agency for which the nominee was nominated.

Action Taken

Passed House Regulatory Oversight 3-2

Passed the House 33-27 and was sent to the Senate

HB2632 - Regulatory costs; rulemaking; legislative ratification

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Requires an Arizona agency to submit to the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity (AOEO) any proposed "rule" (defined) that is projected to increase regulatory costs in Arizona by more than \$100,000 within five years of implementation. Prohibits a submitted proposed rule from becoming effective unless approved by the legislature, if the AOEO, finds that the rule will likely cost more than \$500,000 within five years after implementation. Requires the AOEO to submit the proposed rule to the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee (Committee) no later than 30 days before the next regular legislative session and requires the Committee to submit the proposed rule to the legislature as soon as practicable. Permits any member of the legislature to submit legislation to ratify the proposed rule and exempts it from any statutes regarding the time and manner of rulemaking.

Prohibits an agency from filing the final rule with the Arizona Secretary of State without legislative approval and stipulates that if the legislature does not ratify the proposed rule during the current legislative session, the agency shall terminate the proposed rule by publishing a notice of termination in the register. Allows a person that is regulated by an agency that is proposing a rule, to request the AOEO review the proposed rule, and the legislature to be able to request the AOEO to review any proposed rule. Stipulates that this legislation does not apply to emergency rules, or the Arizona Corporation Commission. Provides for severability.

Action Taken

Passed House Regulatory Oversight 3-2

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the Senate

HB2649 - Electoral college; support

Sponsor

Rep. Steve B. Montenegro (R)

Summary

Affirms that the legislature recognizes the importance of the electoral college and provides the reasoning behind that support.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 4-2

Passed the House 33-27 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2651 - Voting equipment; requirements; origin

Sponsor

Rep. Steve B. Montenegro (R)

Summary

Beginning January 1, 2029, the Secretary of State is prohibited from certifying a vote recording and vote tabulating machine or device used for elections for federal, state or county offices unless 100% of all the machine's or device's parts and components were sourced from the United States, and 100% of all the machine's or device's manufacturing and assembly was performed in the United States. Vote recording and vote tabulating machines and devices that were acquired before January 1, 2029 would have been exempt.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 4-3

Passed the House 33-27 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HB2666 - Campaign finance; third-party complaints

Sponsor

Rep. Laurin Hendrix (R)

Summary

Prohibits a filing officer from accepting a complaint from a third party unless the third party submits evidence that the individual is an identifiable human being.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 7-0

Passed 57-0 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 7-0

HB2667 - Campaign finance complaints; resolution

Sponsor

Rep. Laurin Hendrix (R)

Summary

For every complaint that is filed pursuant to this legislation related to campaign finance, that is not resolved, extended or ruled on within 180 days after the complaint is filed, the complaint is deemed dismissed.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 7-0

Passed the House 57-0 and was sent to the Senate

HB2673 - Early ballots; deadlines; foreign money

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Prohibits any Arizona government entity from using monies or in-kind goods or services that are donated, directly or indirectly, by a foreign government, or any "foreign nongovernmental source" (defined) for election administration. Requires any "person" (defined) or vendor that provides services to an Arizona government entity to provide a dated and sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, that they are not knowingly the recipient, directly or indirectly, of donations from a foreign source. Prescribes specific penalties for an individual for vendor who provides false information to the Arizona Secretary of State. Permits a qualified elector to bring an action pertaining to specific, listed law and violations and outlines what they are entitled to if they prevail. Requires a unique early voter ID number to be issued to each voter on the early voter list and stipulates that the early voter record does not constitute a public record and enjoys protections of personally identifying information. Defines the

process for verifying early voter identifications and the process for handling voters whose identity or address cannot be identified. Permits a voter to remain on the early voter list if they confirm their address once every election cycle by telephone, in writing, or online, and they provide at least 2 methods of confirmation. Outlines the process and requirements for a mailed ballot to be counted, and the process by which submitted ballots shall be handled prior to, on, and after Election Day.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 33-27 and was sent to the Senate

HB2703 - Early voting; tabulation; ballot deadlines

Sponsor

Rep. Laurin Hendrix (R)

Summary

Strikes the ability of a county Board of Supervisors to authorize by specific resolution the County Recorder or other election official to use emergency voting centers, and the ability of a principal of a school to deny a request to provide space for polling stations. Shifts the deadline for an early voter to cast a vote at an early voting location from Friday before an election to the Monday before an election. Strikes the ability of a qualified elector to request an emergency voting accommodation and a County Recorder or election official to grant an emergency accommodation. Outlines instructions that must be given to early voters up to 2026, and from 2026 forward. Defines ways an early voter can deliver their ballot to the County Recorder or Officer in Charge of elections, including identification requirements, locations and methods of delivery. Strikes the requirement of a County Recorder or election official to count and report early voting totals. Exempts early voters who show up in person from having their mail affidavit verified. Eliminates the ability of an elector that does not present identification to put their ballot in a drop box.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-27 and was sent to the Senate

Passed the Senate 16-10 and was sent to the Governor

Vetoed by Governor

HB2705 - Nomination petitions; counties; strict compliance

Sponsor

Rep. Alma Hernandez (D)

Summary

Provides wording for partisan and nonpartisan nominations for elected public office. Permits signatures from multiple counties in a specific district, if the office they are running for spans multiple counties. Requires a nominee for elected public office to comply with all statutory requirements for seeking office.

Action Taken

Failed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 3-4

HB2722 - Public resources; expenditures; prohibition

Sponsor

Rep. Neal Carter (R)

Summary

Requires that all use of public monies by a “public entity” (defined) must benefit the public by intent and be for a “public purpose” (defined), is supported by “consideration” (defined), and the public entity must retain continuing control over the funds. Allows the Arizona Attorney General or a taxpayer in Arizona to file an action in a court of general jurisdiction to challenge an expenditure, loan or use of “public resources” (defined). Outlines how a plaintiff in that situation would prevail in court. Entitles this legislation the “Taxpayers Protection Act.” Modifies the chapter heading of Title 1, Chapter 5, ARS, from “Public Programs” to “Public Resources”.

Action Taken

Passed House Ways and Means 5-4

Passed the House 32-28 and was sent to the Senate

HB2735 - Ballot receptacles; electioneering limits

Sponsor

Rep. Brian Garcia (D)

Summary

Prohibits a person from staying inside the 75-foot limit for each voting location except for the purposes of voting. Requires the Board of Supervisors to provide for each 75-foot zone for a designated ballot receptacle three notices expressing the 75-foot limit. Prohibits interfering with a voter, or electioneering, within the 75-foot limit for a designated ballot receptacle.

HB2767 - Voter registrations; transportation department; recorders

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)

Summary

Requires the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to transmit simultaneously and directly any voter registration information received pursuant to state law, to the Arizona Secretary of State, and other listed, appropriate parties. Effective January 1, 2026. Provides for severability.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 3-2

Passed the House 31-26 and was sent to the Senate

HB2794 - Polling places; accessible equipment**Sponsor**

Rep. Brian Garcia (D)

Summary

Requires that any accessible device placed at a precinct-based polling place or voting center be programmed and prepared so that all ballot styles for that jurisdiction or county are available from each device without regard to precinct or other locations in which the device is used.

HB2796 - Politically engaged persons; criminal charges**Sponsor**

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

Requires that criminal charges against a “politically engaged person” (defined) be pre-approved by a majority of the Attorney General and all county attorneys using standard prosecutorial criteria. Requires, if the approval of all required parties is not given, a court to dismiss charges unless prosecutors prove they were unaware of the defendant’s political status. Extends to prosecutors three months to refile charges after securing approval. Requires a motion to dismiss to be filed within 30 days of the charges.

HB2804 - Sample ballots; mailing date**Sponsor**

Rep. Nick Kupper (R)

Summary

Requires a county Board of Supervisors print mailers of sample ballots 14 days before a primary or general election.

HB2844 - Multiple nonpartisan candidates; primary

Sponsor

Rep. Lupe Diaz (R)

Summary

Defines how nonpartisan candidates may appear on the ballot. Covers how to handle multiple nonpartisan candidates in an election and their assigned position on a nonpartisan ballot for consideration in the primary election. Stipulates that for the nonpartisan ballot, the candidate who receives the most votes advances to the general election as the nonpartisan nominee for that office. Addresses placement of nonpartisan candidates on the general election ballot. Requires the Legislative Council to prepare proposed legislation conforming the ARS to the provisions of this legislation, if needed.

Action Taken

Failed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 0-5

HCR2002 - Voting centers; precinct voting

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Jones (R)

Summary

The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Arizona State law to require that election precincts not contain more than 1,000 registered voters at the time precincts are designated, and to prohibit the use of voting centers in place of or in addition to specifically designated polling places.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, & Elections 4-3

Passed the House 32-26 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HCR2013 - Early ballots; deadlines; foreign money

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Arizona state statute to prohibit a government entity in Arizona from using money or in-kind goods or services that are donated, directly or indirectly, by foreign government, or any foreign nongovernmental source, for election administration. Asks voters to approve the issuance have a unique early voter ID number to each voter on the early voting list, defines the information that must be on an early voter ballot request, as well as rules to require a county recorder or other election officer to reject a voter's early

ballot application if all required information is not submitted, and the process and wording that must be included on the issuance of early voting materials. Asks voters to approve the process and evaluator must follow to verify the information submitted by an early voter.

Action Taken

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

Passed the House 33-26 and was sent to the Senate

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

HCR2014 - House of representatives; designated seats

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Jones (R)

Summary

The 2024 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona Constitution to require the seats for the House of Representatives be designated "A" and "B" in the alphabetic order of the surnames, then first names of elected members of each district and thereafter candidates shall run for and be elected from either seat "A" or "B" in a legislative district, beginning with the Inauguration of the Members of the fifty-seventh legislature in 2027.

HCR2038 - Rulemaking; legislative ratification; regulatory costs

Sponsor

Rep. Alexander Kolodin (R)

Summary

The 2024 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the Arizona Revised Statutes related to rule making that would require an Arizona agency to submit to the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity (AOEO) any proposed "rule" (defined) that is projected to increase regulatory costs in Arizona by more than \$100,000 within five years of implementation. The measure would prohibit a submitted proposed rule from becoming effective unless approved by the legislature if the AOEO finds that the rule will likely cost more than \$500,000 within five years after implementation. Sets a deadline for submitting the rule for review to the Administrative Rules Oversight Committee (Committee) and requires the Committee to submit the proposed rule to the legislature as soon as practicable. Permits any member of the legislature to submit legislation to ratify the proposed rule and exempts it from any statutes regarding the time and manner of rulemaking. Prohibits an agency from filing the final rule with the Arizona Secretary of State without legislative approval and stipulates that if the legislature does not ratify the proposed rule during the current legislative session, the agency shall terminate the proposed rule by publishing a notice of termination in the register. Allows a person that is regulated by an agency that is proposing a rule, to request the AOEO review the proposed rule, and the legislature to be able to request the AOEO to review any proposed rule. Stipulates that this legislation does not apply to emergency rules, or the Arizona Corporation Commission. Provides for severability.

Action Taken

Passed House Regulatory Oversight 3-2

SB1001 - Early ballots; identification; tabulation

Sponsor

Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary

Prohibits a County Recorder or other Officer in Charge of Elections from operating an on-site early voting location after 7:00 P.M. on the Friday preceding an election if the official in question is not able to revise precinct registrations and other election materials for use on election day to help identify which voters have requested and early ballot, voted, or are on the inactive voter list. Revises the effective date of this legislation to be upon enactment and defines early voting procedures, including voter identification, roll signature, ballot mailing, delivery, ballot handling, processing, and security requirements, and timeframes for accepting early ballots.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

SB1011 - Early voting; ballot deadlines; certificates

Sponsor

Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary

Repeals provisions for a County Board of Supervisors to set up Emergency Voting Centers, for electors to request Emergency Voting Centers in the event of an emergency between 7 p.m. on the Friday and 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding an election, and for electors to deliver ballots to polling places on election day. Mandates that any early voting locations be open and available for use on the Saturday and Monday before an election, and details the requirements for an early voting elector to vote up until 7 p.m. the Monday before an election. Requires voters showing up at an early voting location to be given a ballot upon verification of their identification and provides wording for the early voting certification form and procedures for processing that elector and his or her ballot.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Failed in the Senate 10-16 – was replaced by HB 2703.

HB 2703 was vetoed by the Governor.

SB1013 - Municipalities; counties; fee increases; vote

Sponsor

Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary

Prohibits a Common Council or County Board of Supervisors from imposing or increasing any assessment, tax or fee without a two-thirds vote of the governing body. Stipulates a municipality's or

county's ability to do such, provided the two-thirds vote authorizes the imposition or increase in any assessment, tax or fee, is not subject to further regulation by the applicable municipality or county.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1019 - Photo enforcement systems; prohibition

Sponsor

Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary

Prohibits the use of "photo enforcement systems" (defined) by law enforcement and local authorities to enforce traffic laws. Contains a legislative intent clause.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Public Safety 4-3

Passed the Senate 16-13 and was sent to the House

Passed House Transportation and Infrastructure 4-1

SB1024 - State agencies; payments; cryptocurrency

Sponsor

Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary

State agencies are authorized to accept "cryptocurrency" (defined) as a payment method for taxes, fees, fines, civil penalties, financial obligations, and special assessments by entering into an agreement with a "cryptocurrency service provider" (defined) to provide a method to accept cryptocurrency as a payment for any amount due to that agency or the state. Requirements for the agreement are listed. Effective January 1, 2026.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Finance 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-11 and was sent to the House

SB1036 - Public resources; influencing elections; penalties

Sponsor

Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary

Establishes penalties for a municipality or county found to be guilty of using municipal resources to influence an election and provides that the penalties be paid to the Arizona Attorney General, County Attorney or resident, as is appropriate based on the entity that brought the complaint and the entity or entities found guilty of violating the prohibition. Permits a resident to file an action in Superior Court pertaining to a violation of this prohibition.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1040 - Recall elections; procedures; timeline

Sponsor

Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary

Increases to 75 days after receiving the front and back of recall signature sheets the time the county recorder must determine the number of signatures or affidavits of individuals whose names were included on the sheets that must be disqualified. Increases to 120 days, or more, the time frame between when a recall election order is issued and the recall election held. Requires any person who desires to be a candidate for the office associated with the recall election to file a Statement of Interest with the appropriate filing officer in the form prescribed by state law. Stipulates that any nomination petition signatures that are collected before the Statement of Interest and the recall application are filed are invalid and subject to challenge.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 6-0

Passed the Senate 28-0 and was sent to the House

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 7-0

SB1052 - Voter registration; temporary absence

Sponsor

Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary

Repeals the ability of a United States citizen who has never resided in the United States and whose parent is a United States citizen who is registered to vote in Arizona, to register to vote and vote in Arizona using a federal write-in early ballot.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-11 and was sent to the House

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-3

SB1064 - Voting; equipment; internet; custody; violation

Sponsor

Sen. Mark Finchem (R)

Summary

Requires the Arizona Secretary of State verify vote recording and tabulating machines approved for use pursuant to state law, have the appropriate level security, per industry best practices, not have hardware installed that supports any form of remote access, or software that allows any change to results in files or database, support the usage and tracking of users based on unique credentials that are changed at least once per election cycle, log deletions of ballot information, and maintain election data for 22 months after the election. Prohibits voting equipment used in a polling place or voting center from having Internet access and access by any means to any data or results, and if the equipment has an accessible port, the port must be locked with tamper proof sealing and logged in a chain of custody document when broken or accessed. Requires the same security, logging and management for tabulation equipment and permits only authorized personnel, including political party observers, to be present at the tabulation of votes. Requires two observers who are not members of the same political party be present when a removable storage device is employed, including during the insertion, removal, and transportation of the device. Requires activities at the counting center be included in a nonstop video, pursuant to state law, that is posted to the county's website. Stipulates that a person who violates this legislation is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-11 and was sent to the House

SB1097 - Elections; voting centers; polling places

Sponsor

Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary

Requires district schools to close on a primary election day and a general election day but requires teachers and staff to receive in-service training or development and prohibits them from using personal, vacation or other leave excepting a school district from allowing an employee time off to vote. Allows voting centers to be created on a specific resolution of the Board of Supervisors. Requires a state, county, city, town or school district office to provide sufficient space for use as a polling place upon request of the Officer in charge of elections for any state, county, city or town elections and exempts district schools with a "gymnasium" (defined) from any state, local or school district requirements that would otherwise prevent or limit the use of the school or its gymnasium as a polling place. Removes the ability of the principal of a district or charter school to deny a request to

provide space for use as a polling place for an election by providing a written statement indicating that space is not available at the school; or the safety or welfare of the children would be jeopardized.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1098 - Early ballot drop off; identification

Sponsor

Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary

For any voter or voter's agent who delivers one or more voted early ballots in affidavit envelopes at any polling place or voting center, the election board must require the person to present valid identification that meets statutory requirements for his/her own early ballot or for another person's ballot, and to attest in writing that he/she is the voter's family member, household member or caregiver for another person's early ballot. Knowing violations are a class 5 (second-lowest) felony.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1100 - Maricopa county; division; new counties

Sponsor

Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary

Defines the boundaries of Gila, Maricopa, Pinal, Yavapai, Yuma, and La Paz Counties. Requires legislative council staff to prepare proposed legislation to conform Arizona State Statutes to this legislation for the 57th legislature, second regular session. Effective date is January 1, 2026.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 4-3

SB1101 - Maricopa county; new counties; division

Sponsor

Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary

Divides Maricopa County into four counties by modifying the Maricopa County boundaries and adding three new counties: Hohokam County, Mogollon County, and O'odham County. Maricopa County operations will continue in their existing form through a transition period of up to three years after the effective date of this legislation. The boards of supervisors of Hohokam, Mogollon, and O'odham Counties will be elected at a special election held within 120 days after the effective date of this legislation. Currently elected Maricopa County Supervisors continue in their capacity for the remainder of their term in whichever county their supervisory district is located. The elected boards of supervisors in the three new counties will determine an application process for municipalities to apply to be the county seat, which will be determined at a special election to be held within 120 days from the election of the boards of supervisors. The four counties are authorized to enter into a ten-year shared use agreement for the use of existing shared capital assets. The four counties are required to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for the continued operation of community colleges for at least ten years after the effective date of this legislation. Effective January 1, 2026.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 4-3

SB1142 - Elections; foreign contributions; prohibition

Sponsor

Sen. Mark Finchem (R)

Summary

Prohibits monetary contributions or in-kind donations of any type from any foreign corporation or person and for any the person, entity, or committee to accept either. Requires any person, entity or committee that is required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to state law to certify under penalty of perjury that no prohibited form of contribution has been accepted by the person, entity or committee. Exempts federally recognized sovereign tribal nations.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 5-2

Passed the Senate 19-7 and was sent to the House

Passed House Federalism, Military Affairs, and Elections 4-2

SB1237 - State employees; remote work; prohibition (Agency accounts; technical correction)

Sponsor

Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary

Prohibits full-time state employees from working remotely.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Regulatory Affairs and Government Efficiency 4-2

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1243 - Open meetings; call to public

Sponsor

Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary

Outlines the process, permissions, mandatory schedule, Prohibitions, and management of open calls that a public body makes at a public meeting. Stipulates that official business does not include a prayer, pledge, or recognition of a person or organization.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1289 - Elections; canvass; certification; acknowledgment

Sponsor

Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary

Requires that various governing bodies acknowledge without prejudice certain actions pertaining to an election, pursuant to state law.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1334 - Voting locations; emergency designation; electioneering.

Sponsor

Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

Summary

Removes the following requirements that delineate that the county recorder or election officer must post a public list of any sites designated as emergency polling places—along with the reasons for that designation and attempts made to secure alternatives—at least two weeks before election day, and that if a site is not on the emergency-designation list, the facility must allow political activity outside the seventy-five-foot zone, and that should an emergency arise after the initial posting, the county recorder or election officer is required to update the list promptly with the relevant details.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-2

SB1375 - Voter registration rolls; internet access

Sponsor

Sen. Mark Finchem (R)

Summary

Strikes previous management arrangements to receive voter registration rolls and requires that the County Recorder provide free access to voter rolls via an internet portal that is accessible to the public and allows data to be downloaded. Requires any voter or precinct lists to be used as authorized.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Judiciary and Elections 4-3

Passed the Senate 17-12 and was sent to the House

SB1376 - State elections; contest; technical correction

Sponsor

Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary

Minor change in Title 16 (Elections and Electors) related to the conduct of elections. Apparent striker bus.

Action Taken

SB1378 - Political signs; homeowners' associations

Sponsor

Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary

Adds to the definition of “political sign” for condominium and homeowner’s associations that a sign can be a flag and that except for a candidate prescribed in this legislation, without regard to whether the person supported or opposed is on the ballot at the next upcoming election.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 5-2

Passed the Senate 21-7 and was sent to the House

SCR1002 - Photo enforcement systems; prohibition

Sponsor

Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary

Bans local authorities and state agencies from using automated photo enforcement systems (defined) to identify excessive speed violations or failures to obey traffic control devices.

Action Taken

Passed Senate Public Safety 4-3

Passed the Senate 16-13 and was sent to the House

SCR1022 - Legislative districts; population; census; citizenship

Sponsor

Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary

The 2026 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend Article 4, Part 2, Section 1 of the Constitution of Arizona to require that during each year that ends in zero, the Independent Redistricting Commission, or other office or body as designated by the legislature, to take a census to adjust its federal and state legislative districts. The language in the proposed amendment outlines how the census is to work and creates the State Census Fund for the purposes of taking the census required by this amendment modification. Stipulates that state legislative districts must have equal citizenship population apportionment. Grants any member of the legislature standing to initiate an action or proceedings to enforce this change. **Takes \$5,000,000 from the Clean Elections Fund yearly and places it in the Census Fund.**

Action Taken

Passed Senate Government 4-3

Passed the Senate 16-11 and was sent to the House

Thomas M. Collins
Executive Director



**State of Arizona
Citizens Clean Elections Commission**

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March 19, 2025

Via Overnight Mail and E-Mail

Hector Jaramillo
6926 N 74th Ave
Glendale AZ 85303
Email: hec4az@gmail.com
Phone: (623) 986-4192

Dear Mr. Jaramillo,

Attached is a form of order I will propose to the Citizens Clean Elections Commission regarding your repayment obligations, along with a memorandum recommending the Commission approve the order.

The Commission will take up this order at its meeting on March 27, 2025 at 10 a.m. at the Citizens Clean Elections Commission Hearing Room, 1110 W. Washington St, Suite 250, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

Additional civil penalties may still be sought against you pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-957.

You may appear at the meeting either in person or by our video conference, which is available via web browser or telephone. If you choose to appear by video conference, please contact the Commission office at 602-364-3477 as soon as possible to make any necessary arrangements.

If the repayment order is approved, you may “dispute[] the Commission’s repayment determination, [by] request[ing] an administrative appeal of the determination in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1092 et. seq.” Ariz. Admin. Code § R2-20-704(D)(2).

Sincerely

S/Thomas M. Collins
Executive Director

Enclosure

ITEM IV



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MEMORANDUM

To: Arizona Clean Elections Commission

From: Thomas Collins, Executive Director

CC: Hector Jaramillo, Respondent

Date: March 19, 2025

Subject: Repayment Order Recommendation

The Executive Director recommends that the Commission order Hector Jaramillo (“Respondent”), a participating candidate for legislature in 2024 to repay \$31,760 in clean elections funding. The recommendation is supported by records relating to Respondent’s funding, campaign finance reports, and other materials included as exhibits to the proposed repayment order attached to this memorandum.

I. Facts

Respondent applied for certification as a participating candidate on June 24, 2024. Proposed Repayment Order Exhibit 1. Respondent provided sufficient qualifying contributions to meet the statutory requirements for clean elections funding on July 22, 2024. Proposed Repayment Order Exhibit 2. Respondent reallocated a portion of clean elections funding to the primary election period pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-952. Proposed Repayment Order Exhibit 3. Consequently, Respondent received \$31,760 in clean elections funding. *Id.*

Respondent ceased filing periodic campaign finance reports after his pre-primary report on July 23, 2024. Proposed Repayment Order Exhibit 4. Consequently, Respondent has never reported the acceptance of the clean elections funding nor any expenditure of those funds.

Respondent ignored efforts to contact him made by Clean Elections designated auditors and Clean Elections staff members. Proposed Repayment Order Exhibit 5. As a result of Respondent's actions, the Clean Elections auditors were "unable to review any of the expenses, contributions, or perform any other procedure as required for our testing of the [Respondent's] Clean Elections funding." *Id.* Respondent has provided no evidence funds were used for direct campaign expenses to the auditors or staff.

II. Analysis

Respondent bears the burden of showing that expenditures of clean elections funding are for direct campaign purposes. Ariz. Admin. Code §§ R2-20-702, R2-20-703. Respondent agreed to these conditions in his sworn application for certification. Respondent has not met his burden because he has failed to provide to documentation, failed to provide required reports and failed to respond to staff and auditors request for information.

The Commission may order repayment for several reasons. In this matter, the Executive Director recommends that the Commission order repayment on two grounds.

First, the Commission may enter an order of repayment where a candidate has not used funds for direct campaign expenses. The candidate has the burden of showing that their use of funds was for direct campaign expenses. Here, the absence of any evidence that candidate used the funds for direct campaign purposes supports the conclusion that the funds were not properly used. While it could be argued that the absence of evidence of direct campaign expenses does not necessarily mean that the candidate did not use the funds for direct campaign expenses, given these circumstances the Commission should conclude that the funds were not used for that purpose.

As shown in Proposed Repayment Order Exhibit 1, candidate agreed not only to use funds as provided by the Act and Rules but to provide all requested information. An excerpt of Respondent's agreement is reproduced below:

- and the reports are complete and accurate.
4. I agree to use all Clean Election funding for direct campaign purposes only.
 5. I will file, with this application, a campaign finance report showing all campaign activity to date in the current election cycle.
 6. I will comply with all requirements of the Act and Commission rules.
 7. I am subject to all enforcement actions by the Commission as authorized by the Act and Commission rules.
 8. I have the burden of proving that expenditures made by or on behalf of the candidate were for direct campaign purposes.
 9. I will keep and furnish to the Commission all documentation relating to expenditures, receipts, funding, books, records (including bank records for all accounts), and supporting documentation and other information that the Commission may request in accordance with Commission rules.
 10. I will permit an audit and examination of all receipts and expenditures including those made by the candidate, the candidate's authorized committee, or any agent or person authorized to make expenditures on behalf of the candidate or committee. The candidate and the candidate's authorized committee shall also provide any material required in connection with an audit, investigation, or examination conducted by the Commission. The candidate and authorized committee shall facilitate the audit and examination and shall pay any amounts required to be repaid.

Put another way, the candidate should not be able to evade a repayment order based on a determination that funds were not used for direct campaign purpose by deciding not to provide any information at all. That would turn the burden of proof on its head and allow a respondent to evade the very agreement they entered as a participating candidate.

Second, and independently, the Commission may order repayment for expenditures were not documented in accordance with campaign finance reporting requirements. Respondent provided no documentation of expenditures has been provided and filed no campaign finance reports relating to the funds. Consequently, the records support a conclusion that repayment should be ordered on this independent basis.

III. Recommendation and Conclusion

Based on the forgoing, the Executive Director recommends that the Commission approve the proposed repayment order and order Respondent to repay the amount of \$31,760 on two independent basis:

- 1) that Respondent's did not meet his burden to show that used clean elections funding for direct campaign expenses and therefore should be required to repay the entire amount of \$31,760.
- 2) that Respondent did not document expenditures in accordance with campaign finance reporting requirements and therefore should be required to repay the entire amount of \$31,760.

STATE OF ARIZONA
CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Repayment Order (RO25-01)

In the Matter of:

Hector Jaramillo, Respondent

Pursuant to ARS § 16-956(A)(7) (providing that the Commission shall “[e]nforce this article, ensure that money from the fund is placed in candidate campaign accounts or otherwise spent as specified in this article and not otherwise, monitor reports filed pursuant to this chapter and financial records of candidates as needed and ensure that money required by this article to be paid to the fund is deposited in the fund.”) and Ariz. Admin. Code §§ R2-20-702, R2-20-703 and R2-20-704 (providing for the repayment of funds), the Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the “Commission”), hereby orders Hector Jaramillo (“Respondent”), a participating candidate for Legislature in 2024, to repay the amount of \$31,760. This order is effective upon approval of the Commission and is based on the following legal and factual reasons:

- A. Respondent applied for certification as a participating candidate on June 24, 2024. Exhibit 1.
- B. Respondent provided sufficient qualifying contributions to meet the statutory requirements for clean elections funding on July 22, 2024. Exhibit 2.
- C. Respondent reallocated a portion of clean elections funding to the primary election period pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-952. Exhibit 3. Consequently, Respondent received \$31,760 in clean elections funding. *Id.*

- 1 D. Respondent ceased filing periodic campaign finance reports after his pre-primary report
2 on July 23, 2024. Exhibit 4. Consequently, Respondent has never reported the
3 acceptance of the clean elections funding nor any expenditure of those funds.
- 4 E. Respondent ignored efforts to contact him made by Clean Elections designated
5 auditors and Clean Elections staff members. Exhibit 5. As a result of Respondent's
6 actions, the Clean Elections auditors were "unable to review any of the expenses,
7 contributions, or perform any other procedure as required for our testing of the
8 [Respondent's] Clean Elections funding." *Id.*
- 9 F. Respondent has provided no evidence funds were used for direct campaign expenses
10 to the auditors or staff.
- 11 G. Respondent bears the burden of showing that expenditures of clean elections funding
12 are for direct campaign purposes. Ariz. Admin. Code §§ R2-20-702, R2-20-703.
- 13 H. Respondent agreed to these conditions in his application for certification. Exhibit 1.
- 14 I. Respondent has not met his burden because he has failed to provide to
15 documentation, failed to provide required reports and failed to respond to staff and
16 auditors request for information.
- 17 J. Because Respondent has provided no evidence regarding his use of clean elections
18 funding the Commission orders repayment of the entire amount on the following two
19 independent grounds:
- 20 a. Use of funds not for direct campaign expenses. Respondent had the burden of
21 proving expenditures were for direct campaign purposes. Respondent has failed to
22 any evidence clean elections funds were used for direct campaign expenses.
23 Therefore, the Commission concludes that the funds were not used for direct
24 campaign expenses and determines that the full amount of \$31,760 must be
25 returned. Ariz. Admin. Code § R2-20-704(B)(2).
- 26 b. Expenditures were not documented in accordance with campaign finance reporting
requirements. Respondent provided no documentation of expenditures has been

1 provided and filed no campaign finance reports relating to the funds. Therefore,
2 the Commission determines the full amount of \$31,760 must be returned. Ariz.
3 Admin. Code § R2-20-704(B)(3).

4 WHEREFORE, the Commission enters the following orders in addition to any other action regarding
5 this matter:

- 6 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-956(A)(7)
7 and the Arizona Administrative Code, Title 2, Chapter 20.
- 8 2. The Commission orders Respondent to repay \$31,760 immediately.
- 9 3. All payments shall be made from Respondent's personal funds by check or money
10 order payable to the Citizens Clean Elections Fund and delivered to the Citizens Clean
11 Elections Commission, 1110 W. Washington St. Ste. 250, Phoenix, AZ 85007.
- 12 4. Interest shall accrue and becomes immediately payable on any amount that remains
13 unpaid thirty days after the date of this Order. Interest shall accrue at the statutory rate
14 of ten percent (10%) pursuant to A.R.S. § 44-1201(A).
- 15 5. This Order constitutes a fine, penalty, or forfeiture payable to and for the benefit of a
16 governmental unit, and not compensation for actual pecuniary loss; and pursuant to 11
17 USC § 523 such obligations are not subject to discharge in bankruptcy.
- 18 6. In the event legal action is necessary to enforce collection hereunder, Respondent shall
19 additionally pay all costs and expenses of collection, including without limitation,
20 reasonable attorneys' fees in an amount equal to thirty-five percent (35%) of monies
21 recovered.
- 22 7. In the event that any paragraph or provision of this Order shall be ruled unenforceable,
23 all other provisions hereof shall be unaffected thereby.
- 24 8. This Order does not prevent additional penalties and repayments from Respondent.
- 25 9. If Respondent disputes the Commission repayment determination, he may request an
26 administrative appeal of the determination in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1092, et.
seq., Ariz. Admin. Code § R2-20-704(C)(2).

Dated this ____ day ____, 2025.

By: _____

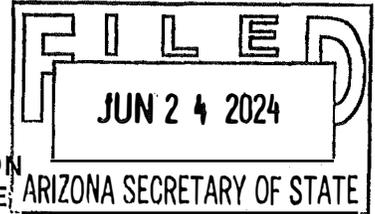
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Repayment Order Exhibit 1



**STATE OF ARIZONA
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
AS A PARTICIPATING CANDIDATE**



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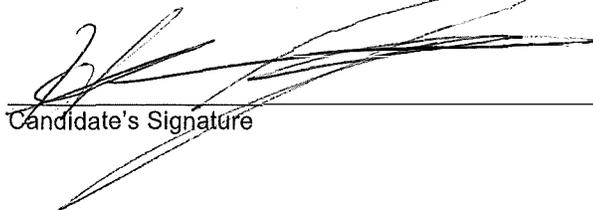
- Initial Application
- Amended Application

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§16-947 and 948 and AAC R2-20-104 (D)

COMMITTEE ID NUMBER
101580

NAME OF CANDIDATE HECTOR JARAMILLO		DATE 06/21/2024	
OFFICE SOUGHT STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24	PARTY AFFILIATION	ELECTION CYCLE 2024	
CANDIDATE'S ADDRESS 6926 N 74TH AVE	CITY GLENDALE	STATE AZ	ZIP 85303
CANDIDATE'S TELEPHONE # (623) 986-4192	CANDIDATE'S FAX #	CANDIDATE'S EMAIL ADDRESS TREASURY4AZHEC@GMAIL.COM	
NAME OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE HECTOR JARAMILLO FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24			
COMMITTEE ADDRESS 6926 N 74TH AVE		CITY GLENDALE	STATE AZ ZIP 85303
COMMITTEE MAILING ADDRESS (if different from above) 6926 N 74TH AVE		CITY GLENDALE	STATE AZ ZIP 85303
COMMITTEE TELEPHONE # (623) 986-4192	COMMITTEE FAX #	COMMITTEE EMAIL ADDRESS HEC4AZ@GMAIL.COM	
NAME OF DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL WITH AUTHORITY TO WITHDRAW FUNDS (IF APPLICABLE) (A.R.S. §16-948)			
DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP
DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S TELEPHONE #	DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S FAX #	DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S EMAIL	
LIST THE NAME OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION FROM WHICH THE CANDIDATE AND THE DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL WILL CONDUCT ALL FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE CANDIDATE'S CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (Do not list account numbers). (A.R.S. §16-948(A))			
NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION MARISOL			

DESIGNATED CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT (if applicable) (A.R.S. §16-948(B)): I hereby designate X as my duly authorized Designated Individual, with the authority to withdraw funds and make expenditures from my campaign account on my behalf.


Candidate's Signature

6/24/24
Date

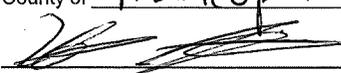
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Application for Certification – Part II

CANDIDATE AND DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S STATEMENT (A.R.S. §16-947):

I, the undersigned, upon my oath and under penalty of perjury, certify that the following statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I have complied with the restrictions of A.R.S. §16-941 (A) during the election cycle to date, which are as following:
 - a) Not accepted contributions other than early contributions as specified in A.R.S. §16-945;
 - b) Not made expenditures that exceed the candidate's personal money limit; and
 - c) Conducted all financial activity through a single campaign account.
2. I will continue to comply with the restrictions in paragraph 1 during the remainder of the election cycle and will:
 - a) Not make expenditures in the primary election period in excess of the adjusted primary election spending limit;
 - b) Not make expenditures in the general election period in excess of the adjusted general election spending limit; and
 - c) Return unused monies to the fund in accordance with A.R.S. § 16-953.
3. I have filed all campaign finance reports required under Title 16, Chapter 6, Article I, during the election cycle to date, and the reports are complete and accurate.
4. I agree to use all Clean Election funding for direct campaign purposes only.
5. I will file, with this application, a campaign finance report showing all campaign activity to date in the current election cycle.
6. I will comply with all requirements of the Act and Commission rules.
7. I am subject to all enforcement actions by the Commission as authorized by the Act and Commission rules.
8. I have the burden of proving that expenditures made by or on behalf of the candidate were for direct campaign purposes.
9. I will keep and furnish to the Commission all documentation relating to expenditures, receipts, funding, books, records (including bank records for all accounts), and supporting documentation and other information that the Commission may request in accordance with Commission rules.
10. I will permit an audit and examination of all receipts and expenditures including those made by the candidate, the candidate's authorized committee, or any agent or person authorized to make expenditures on behalf of the candidate or committee. The candidate and the candidate's authorized committee shall also provide any material required in connection with an audit, investigation, or examination conducted by the Commission. The candidate and authorized committee shall facilitate the audit and examination and shall pay any amounts required to be repaid.
11. I will submit the name and mailing address of the person who is entitled to receive equalizing fund payments on behalf of the candidate and the name and address of the campaign depository designated by the candidate. Changes in the information required by this paragraph shall not be effective until submitted to the Commission in a letter signed by the candidate or the committee treasurer.
12. I will pay any civil penalties included in a conciliation agreement or otherwise imposed against the candidate.
13. I will file all campaign finance reports with the Secretary of State in an electronic format in a timely manner.

State of Arizona) County of <u>Maricopa</u>) ss.  _____ Candidate's Signature SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this <u>24th</u> day of <u>June</u> 20 <u>24</u> .  _____ Notary Public	State of Arizona) County of _____) ss. _____ Designated Individual's Signature SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this ____ day of _____ 20 _____. _____ Notary Public
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Qualified for Funding - Hector Jaramillo

1 message

Campaign Finance <campaignfinance@azsos.gov>

Mon, Jul 22, 2024 at 2:48 PM

To: "hec4az@gmail.com" <hec4az@gmail.com>

Cc: Campaign Finance <campaignfinance@azsos.gov>, "ccec@azcleaselections.gov" <ccec@azcleaselections.gov>

Dear Hector Jaramillo,

The Secretary of State's Office received notification from the County Recorders' Office regarding the sample results for the Qualifying Contributions you submitted to qualify for funding under the Citizens Clean Elections Act.

The results met the threshold under A.R.S. § 16-950(D), which means you have met the statutory requirements to receive Clean Elections funding.

This message will serve as your official notification. Should you have further questions related to your participating status, please contact the Citizens Clean Elections Commission by email at ccec@azcleaselections.gov, or by phone at (602) 364-3477.

Thanks,



Email: campaignfinance@azsos.gov
Arizona Secretary of State | <https://azsos.gov>
1700 W. Washington St., 7th Fl. | Phoenix, AZ 85007

This message and any messages in response to the sender of this message may be subject to a public records request.

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We are not able to provide legal or financial advice specific to any situation. We will do our best to provide appropriate assistance, but if you have specific questions about how you should proceed, you may need to seek legal counsel.

Katie Hobbs
Governor

Thomas M. Collins
Executive Director



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MEMORANDUM

To: Paula Thomas, Executive Officer
Thru: Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director
From: Mike Becker, Policy Director
Date: **July 23, 2024**
Subject: Disbursement of 2024 Primary Election Funds

In accordance with A.A.C. R2-20-105, this certifies that the candidate referenced below has met the following Commission requirements to receive primary funding (with reallocated funds) in the amount of **\$31,760**.

1. The required number of signatures on the candidate's nominating petitions equals or exceeds the number required pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-322 and A.A.C. R2-20-106(A)(1)(a);
2. The required number of \$5 qualifying contributions have been received and paid to the Secretary of State for deposit in the CCEC Fund; and
3. The candidate is opposed in the election.

Candidate Name: **Hector Jaramillo**
Office Sought: **State House of Representatives, District 24**
Vendor Number: **VC*81251**

X _____
Funding Received By

Date

Hector Jaramillo For State Representative - District 24

Demographic Information

Filer Name:

Hector Jaramillo for State Representative - District 24

Status:

Active

Filer ID:

101580

Filer Type:

Candidate (participating in Clean Elections)

Registration Date:

02/04/2024

Last Amended Date:

02/04/2024

County:**Last Reported:****Mailing Address:**

6926 N 74th Ave

Glendale AZ 85303

Email: hec4az@gmail.com

Phone: (623) 986-4192

Filer Address:

6926 N 74th Ave

Glendale AZ 85303

Chairman:

Serna, Ricardo

Treasurer:

Abeytia, Anna

Candidate:

Jaramillo, Hector

Email: treasury4azhec@gmail.com

Phone: (623) 986-4192

Designee:**Office Sought:**

State Representative - District 24

Party Affiliation:

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10/26/2024	2024 - Pre-General Election		144 Day(s) Late Fines Due \$3375.00
10/15/2024	2024 - Post-Primary Election (Q3)		155 Day(s) Late Fines Due \$3650.00
08/12/2024	2024 - Primary Recap Report		219 Day(s) Late
08/05/2024	2024 - Qualifying Period Recap Report		226 Day(s) Late

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CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures

**Hector Jaramillo
Participating Candidate for
State Representative - District 24
Primary Election 2024**



Independent Accountants' Report on
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Chairman and Members of the
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Phoenix, Arizona

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were specified and agreed to by the State of Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the Commission), solely to assist the Commission in evaluating whether Hector Jaramillo's (the Candidate)'s 2024 Qualifying Period Recap (QPR) Report which covers the period from August 1, 2023 through July 30, 2024 (the reporting period) was prepared in compliance with Title 16, Articles 1 and 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Campaign Contributions and Expenses, and the Citizens Clean Elections Act, and whether the reports complied with the rules of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The Candidate's management is responsible for the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are presented on the subsequent pages.

We were engaged by the Commission to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period of Hector Jaramillo. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and the Candidate and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Fester & Chapman, PLLC

December 9, 2024

Summary of Procedures and Findings

1. Preliminary Procedures

- a) Contractor will obtain a copy of the candidate's campaign finance report for the reporting period.

Finding

We reached out to Hector Jaramillo (the Candidate) via email on August 7, 2024, and again on August 21, 2024; neither of which received a response. On September 18, 2024, we called the number listed on the Candidate's campaign finance report and left a message, again not receiving any type of response. We called again on October 2, 2024 and spoke to someone, who did not identify themselves. We introduced ourselves and said that we were calling about the Clean Elections audit, but the individual said they were in a meeting and would call back soon. We never received a call back. On October 22, 2024, Mike Becker with Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission reached out to the Candidate's Treasurer. The Candidate's Treasurer spoke with Mike and said that the Candidate would meet with the campaign manager that night and the provide us with the information that was requested. That was the last time we heard from anyone associated with the Candidate. It should also be noted that the Candidate never filed their Qualifying Period Recap Report with the Arizona Secretary of State and as such, does not show up on the See The Money website (<https://seethemoney.az.gov/>). Therefore, we are unable to review any of the expenses, contributions, or perform any other procedure as required for our testing of the Candidate's Clean Elections funding.

- b). Perform a desk review of the disbursements reported in the candidate's campaign finance report to identify any unusual items requiring follow-up during fieldwork.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- d). Contact the candidate or the campaign treasurer, as appropriate, to schedule a date to perform fieldwork. Discuss the nature of the documentation, which will be needed to perform the engagement and ascertain the location of the necessary documentation.

Finding

We attempted to contact the Candidate to discuss the agreed-upon procedures, the timing of our procedures, and the documentation needed as described in step 1.a)., but we were unable to communicate with the Candidate.

2. Fieldwork Procedures

- a) Contractor will contact the candidate to request the records for an agreed-upon procedures attest engagement. Candidates receiving audits after the Primary Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report. Candidates receiving audits after the General Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 4th Quarter Report.

Finding

Commission staff sent an initial notice to the Candidate and informed the Candidate that we would be contacting them. We then communicated to the Candidate through a written request, the purpose of the request, agreed-upon procedures to be performed, documentation needed, and potential future requirements of the Candidate.

- b) The contractor shall contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the purpose of the engagement, the general procedures to be performed and potential future requirements of the candidate, such as possible repayments to the Fund.

Finding

See comment in a) above.

- c) The Contractor shall contact or conduct an interview with the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the campaign committee.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (i) Review bank statements one month prior to the election date (beginning on the first of the month), the month including the election day, and one month after the election day (ending on the last of the month) in the reporting period and perform the following:
- Select five (5) samples of deposits and withdrawals from the bank statements and determine that the transaction is properly reflected in the candidate's records and campaign finance report.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- Perform a proof of receipts and disbursements for the reporting period, which is defined as reporting the ending balances of the July 2024 bank statement and the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- d) Using the dates and limits defined in the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Guide, review the receipts reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to determine the following:

- (i) The candidate accepted contributions only from individuals.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (ii) None of the contributions received from individuals exceed the early contribution limit.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (iii) Check compliance with the maximum early contribution limits.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (iv) Check compliance with the maximum personal contribution limits.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- e) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) contributions reported in the candidate's campaign finance report (not including the \$5 qualifying contributions) and agree to supporting documentation, which reflects the name of the contributor (for all contributions) and for individuals who contributed greater than \$100, which reflects the contributor's address, occupation and employer.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (i) For other types of cash receipts reported on the candidate's campaign finance report, review supporting documentation and review for compliance with regulatory rules and laws and agree the receipt to inclusion in the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (ii) For in-kind contributions, review the supporting documentation and determine the methodology utilized to value the contribution and assess the reasonableness.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- f) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) of cash expenditures reported in the candidate's campaign finance report and perform the following:

- (i) Review supporting invoice or other documentation and agree amount to the amount reported in the candidate's finance report.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (ii) Determine that the name, address and nature of goods or services provided agree to the information reported in the candidate's campaign finance report.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- Agree the amount of the expenditure to the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (iii) Determine whether the expenditure was made for a direct campaign purpose. Direct campaign purpose includes, but is not limited to, materials, communications, transportation, supplies and expenses used toward the election of the candidate.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- If the expenditure is a joint expenditure made in conjunction with other candidates, determine that the amount paid represents the candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- g) Determine whether any petty cash funds have been established and, if so, determine how expenditures from these funds have been reflected in the accounting records. Determine whether aggregate petty cash funds exceed the limit of \$1,800.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- (i) If applicable, for both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) candidate's petty cash fund expenditures and obtain supporting documentation for the expenditure. Determine whether the expenditure was for a direct campaign expense and whether the expenditure was in excess of the \$210 limit on petty cash expenditures.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- h) Determine if the candidate/campaign incurred any debt. If so, report all debt.

Finding

We were unable to establish communication with the Candidate; and as such, did not receive any items from the Candidate. As a result, we were unable to perform the test described above.

- i) Contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the preliminary engagement findings and recommendations that the Contractor anticipates presenting to the CCEC. During this conference, the Contractor will advise the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) of their right to respond to the preliminary findings and the projected timetable for the issuance of the final issuance of the report.

Finding

We reported our findings to the Candidate and the Candidate did not provide responses to our findings.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Commissioners

From: Mike Becker, Policy Director

Date: 3/27/2025

Subject: 2024 General Candidate Audits

The following general candidate audits have been completed and no issues were raised. They have been placed on the Commission agenda for your approval.

1. Joshua Ayala – State Senate, District 11
2. Robert Doyle – State Senate, District 10
3. Elizabeth Brown – State Senate, District 14
4. Joseph Dailey – State House, District 11
5. Tanairi Ochoa-Martinez – State House, District 29

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures

**Joshua Ayala
Participating Candidate for
State Senator - District 11
General Election 2024**



Independent Accountants' Report on
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Chairman and Members of the
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Phoenix, Arizona

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were specified and agreed to by the State of Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the Commission), solely to assist the Commission in evaluating whether Joshua Ayala's (the Candidate)'s 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3), 2024 Pre-General Election, and 2024 General Recap Report (the Reports) which covers the period from July 14, 2024 through November 5, 2024 (the reporting period) was prepared in compliance with Title 16, Articles 1 and 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Campaign Contributions and Expenses, and the Citizens Clean Elections Act, and whether the reports complied with the rules of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The Candidate's management is responsible for the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are presented on the subsequent pages.

We were engaged by the Commission to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period of Joshua Ayala. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and the Candidate and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Fester & Chapman, PLLC

February 28, 2025

Summary of Procedures and Findings

1. Preliminary Procedures

- a) Contractor will obtain a copy of the candidate's campaign finance reports for the reporting period.

Finding

We obtained the Candidate's Reports from the Arizona Secretary of State's website for the reporting period referred to above.

- b). Perform a desk review of the disbursements reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to identify any unusual items requiring follow-up during fieldwork.

Finding

We noted no unusual disbursements during our review.

- d). Contact the candidate or the campaign treasurer, as appropriate, to schedule a date to perform fieldwork. Discuss the nature of the documentation, which will be needed to perform the engagement and ascertain the location of the necessary documentation.

Finding

We contacted the Candidate to discuss the agreed-upon procedures, the timing of our procedures, and the documentation needed.

2. Fieldwork Procedures

- a) Contractor will contact the candidate to request the records for an agreed-upon procedures attest engagement. Candidates receiving audits after the Primary Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report. Candidates receiving audits after the General Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

Commission staff sent an initial notice to the Candidate and informed the Candidate that we would be contacting them. We then communicated to the Candidate in a written request, the purpose of the request, agreed-upon procedures to be performed, documentation needed, and potential future requirements of the Candidate.

- b) The contractor shall contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the purpose of the engagement, the general procedures to be performed and potential future requirements of the candidate, such as possible repayments to the Fund.

Finding

See comment in a) above.

- c) The Contractor shall contact or conduct an interview with the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the campaign committee.

Finding

The Candidate provided a description of bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the Campaign Committee.

- (i) Review bank statements from July 2024 through November 2024 (the reporting period) and perform the following:

- Select five (5) samples of deposits and withdrawals from the bank statements and determine that the transaction is properly reflected in the candidate's records and campaign finance reports.

Finding

We selected one deposit (total population tested) and five withdrawals from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that they appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Perform a proof of receipts and disbursements for the reporting period, which is defined as reporting the ending balances of the November 2024 bank statement and the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

The Candidate's 2024 General Recap Report campaign finance report listed a balance of \$17.57 at November 5, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$17.93 at November 30, 2024.

- d) Using the dates and limits defined in the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Guide, review the receipts reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to determine the following:

- (i) The candidate accepted contributions only from individuals.

Finding

The contributions received during the reporting period appeared to be only from individuals.

- (ii) None of the contributions received from individuals exceed the early contribution limit.

Finding

Contributions received from individuals during the reporting period did not exceed the \$210 early contribution limit.

- (iii) Check compliance with the maximum early contribution limits.

Finding

Early contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$5,293 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- (iv) Check compliance with the maximum personal contribution limits.

Finding

Personal contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$910 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- e) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) contributions reported in the candidate's campaign finance report (not including the \$5 qualifying contributions) and agree to supporting documentation, which reflects the name of the contributor (for all contributions) and for individuals who contributed greater than \$100, which reflects the contributor's address, occupation and employer.

Finding

No contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (i) For other types of cash receipts reported on the candidate's campaign finance reports, review supporting documentation and review for compliance with regulatory rules and laws and agree the receipt to inclusion in the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

No other types of cash receipts were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (ii) For in-kind contributions, review the supporting documentation and determine the methodology utilized to value the contribution and assess the reasonableness.

Finding

No in-kind contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- f) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) of cash expenditures reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports and perform the following:

- (i) Review supporting invoice or other documentation and agree amount to the amount reported in the candidate's finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to supporting invoices or other documentation to the Candidate's Campaign finance report.

- (ii) Determine that the name, address and nature of goods or services provided agree to the information reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed the name, address, and nature of goods or services provided in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Agree the amount of the expenditure to the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to the Campaign account bank statements without exception.

- (iii) Determine whether the expenditure was made for a direct campaign purpose. Direct campaign purpose includes, but is not limited to, materials, communications, transportation, supplies and expenses used toward the election of the candidate.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and determined that all appeared to have been made for direct campaign purposes.

- If the expenditure is a joint expenditure made in conjunction with other candidates, determine that the amount paid represents the candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

Finding

None of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures.

- g) Determine whether any petty cash funds have been established and, if so, determine how expenditures from these funds have been reflected in the accounting records. Determine whether aggregate petty cash funds exceed the limit of \$1,800.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- (i) If applicable, for both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) candidate's petty cash fund expenditures and obtain supporting documentation for the expenditure. Determine whether the expenditure was for a direct campaign expense and whether the expenditure was in excess of the \$210 limit on petty cash expenditures.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- h) Determine if the candidate/campaign incurred any debt. If so, report all debt.

Finding

The Candidate did not report any debt on the Campaign Reports.

- i) Contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the preliminary engagement findings and recommendations that the Contractor anticipates presenting to the CCEC. During this conference, the Contractor will advise the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) of their right to respond to the preliminary findings and the projected timetable for the issuance of the final issuance of the report.

Finding

We reported our findings to the Candidate and the Candidate did not provide responses to our findings.

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures

**Robert Doyle
Participating Candidate for
State Senator - District 10
General Election 2024**



Independent Accountants' Report on
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Chairman and Members of the
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Phoenix, Arizona

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were specified and agreed to by the State of Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the Commission), solely to assist the Commission in evaluating whether Robert Doyle's (the Candidate)'s 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3), 2024 Pre-General Election, and 2024 General Recap Report (the Reports) which covers the period from July 14, 2024 through November 5, 2024 (the reporting period) was prepared in compliance with Title 16, Articles 1 and 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Campaign Contributions and Expenses, and the Citizens Clean Elections Act, and whether the reports complied with the rules of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The Candidate's management is responsible for the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are presented on the subsequent pages.

We were engaged by the Commission to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period of Robert Doyle. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and the Candidate and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Fester & Chapman, PLLC

February 28, 2025

Summary of Procedures and Findings

1. Preliminary Procedures

- a) Contractor will obtain a copy of the candidate's campaign finance reports for the reporting period.

Finding

We obtained the Candidate's Reports from the Arizona Secretary of State's website for the reporting period referred to above.

- b). Perform a desk review of the disbursements reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to identify any unusual items requiring follow-up during fieldwork.

Finding

We noted no unusual disbursements during our review.

- d). Contact the candidate or the campaign treasurer, as appropriate, to schedule a date to perform fieldwork. Discuss the nature of the documentation, which will be needed to perform the engagement and ascertain the location of the necessary documentation.

Finding

We contacted the Candidate to discuss the agreed-upon procedures, the timing of our procedures, and the documentation needed.

2. Fieldwork Procedures

- a) Contractor will contact the candidate to request the records for an agreed-upon procedures attest engagement. Candidates receiving audits after the Primary Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report. Candidates receiving audits after the General Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

Commission staff sent an initial notice to the Candidate and informed the Candidate that we would be contacting them. We then communicated to the Candidate in a written request, the purpose of the request, agreed-upon procedures to be performed, documentation needed, and potential future requirements of the Candidate.

- b) The contractor shall contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the purpose of the engagement, the general procedures to be performed and potential future requirements of the candidate, such as possible repayments to the Fund.

Finding

See comment in a) above.

- c) The Contractor shall contact or conduct an interview with the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the campaign committee.

Finding

The Candidate provided a description of bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the Campaign Committee.

- (i) Review bank statements from July 2024 through November 2024 (the reporting period) and perform the following:

- Select five (5) samples of deposits and withdrawals from the bank statements and determine that the transaction is properly reflected in the candidate's records and campaign finance reports.

Finding

We selected three deposits (total population tested) and five withdrawals from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that they appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Perform a proof of receipts and disbursements for the reporting period, which is defined as reporting the ending balances of the November 2024 bank statement and the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

The Candidate's 2024 General Recap Report campaign finance report listed a balance of \$14,376.87 at November 5, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$13,574.98 at November 30, 2024.

- d) Using the dates and limits defined in the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Guide, review the receipts reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to determine the following:

- (i) The candidate accepted contributions only from individuals.

Finding

The contributions received during the reporting period appeared to be only from individuals.

- (ii) None of the contributions received from individuals exceed the early contribution limit.

Finding

Contributions received from individuals during the reporting period did not exceed the \$210 early contribution limit.

- (iii) Check compliance with the maximum early contribution limits.

Finding

Early contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$5,293 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- (iv) Check compliance with the maximum personal contribution limits.

Finding

Personal contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$910 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- e) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) contributions reported in the candidate's campaign finance report (not including the \$5 qualifying contributions) and agree to supporting documentation, which reflects the name of the contributor (for all contributions) and for individuals who contributed greater than \$100, which reflects the contributor's address, occupation and employer.

Finding

We reviewed the supporting documentation for five contributions reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports and determined the name of the contributors for the contributions was included on the support. For individuals who contributed over \$50, we determined that the contributor's address, occupation, and employer were also included on the support.

- (i) For other types of cash receipts reported on the candidate's campaign finance reports, review supporting documentation and review for compliance with regulatory rules and laws and agree the receipt to inclusion in the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

No other types of cash receipts were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (ii) For in-kind contributions, review the supporting documentation and determine the methodology utilized to value the contribution and assess the reasonableness.

Finding

No in-kind contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- f) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) of cash expenditures reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports and perform the following:

- (i) Review supporting invoice or other documentation and agree amount to the amount reported in the candidate's finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to supporting invoices or other documentation to the Candidate's Campaign finance report.

- (ii) Determine that the name, address and nature of goods or services provided agree to the information reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed the name, address, and nature of goods or services provided in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Agree the amount of the expenditure to the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to the Campaign account bank statements without exception.

- (iii) Determine whether the expenditure was made for a direct campaign purpose. Direct campaign purpose includes, but is not limited to, materials, communications, transportation, supplies and expenses used toward the election of the candidate.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and determined that all appeared to have been made for direct campaign purposes.

- If the expenditure is a joint expenditure made in conjunction with other candidates, determine that the amount paid represents the candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

Finding

None of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures.

- g) Determine whether any petty cash funds have been established and, if so, determine how expenditures from these funds have been reflected in the accounting records. Determine whether aggregate petty cash funds exceed the limit of \$1,800.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- (i) If applicable, for both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) candidate's petty cash fund expenditures and obtain supporting documentation for the expenditure. Determine whether the expenditure was for a direct campaign expense and whether the expenditure was in excess of the \$210 limit on petty cash expenditures.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- h) Determine if the candidate/campaign incurred any debt. If so, report all debt.

Finding

The Candidate did not report any debt on the Campaign Reports.

- i) Contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the preliminary engagement findings and recommendations that the Contractor anticipates presenting to the CCEC. During this conference, the Contractor will advise the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) of their right to respond to the preliminary findings and the projected timetable for the issuance of the final issuance of the report.

Finding

We reported our findings to the Candidate and the Candidate did not provide responses to our findings.

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures

**Elizabeth Brown
Participating Candidate for
State Senator - District 14
General Election 2024**



Independent Accountants' Report on
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Chairman and Members of the
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Phoenix, Arizona

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were specified and agreed to by the State of Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the Commission), solely to assist the Commission in evaluating whether Elizabeth Brown's (the Candidate)'s 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3), 2024 Pre-General Election, and 2024 General Recap Report (the Reports) which covers the period from July 14, 2024 through November 5, 2024 (the reporting period) was prepared in compliance with Title 16, Articles 1 and 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Campaign Contributions and Expenses, and the Citizens Clean Elections Act, and whether the reports complied with the rules of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The Candidate's management is responsible for the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are presented on the subsequent pages.

We were engaged by the Commission to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period of Elizabeth Brown. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and the Candidate and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Fester & Chapman, PLLC

March 3, 2025

Summary of Procedures and Findings

1. Preliminary Procedures

- a) Contractor will obtain a copy of the candidate's campaign finance reports for the reporting period.

Finding

We obtained the Candidate's Reports from the Arizona Secretary of State's website for the reporting period referred to above.

- b). Perform a desk review of the disbursements reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to identify any unusual items requiring follow-up during fieldwork.

Finding

We noted no unusual disbursements during our review.

- d). Contact the candidate or the campaign treasurer, as appropriate, to schedule a date to perform fieldwork. Discuss the nature of the documentation, which will be needed to perform the engagement and ascertain the location of the necessary documentation.

Finding

We contacted the Candidate to discuss the agreed-upon procedures, the timing of our procedures, and the documentation needed.

2. Fieldwork Procedures

- a) Contractor will contact the candidate to request the records for an agreed-upon procedures attest engagement. Candidates receiving audits after the Primary Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report. Candidates receiving audits after the General Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

Commission staff sent an initial notice to the Candidate and informed the Candidate that we would be contacting them. We then communicated to the Candidate in a written request, the purpose of the request, agreed-upon procedures to be performed, documentation needed, and potential future requirements of the Candidate.

- b) The contractor shall contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the purpose of the engagement, the general procedures to be performed and potential future requirements of the candidate, such as possible repayments to the Fund.

Finding

See comment in a) above.

- c) The Contractor shall contact or conduct an interview with the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the campaign committee.

Finding

The Candidate provided a description of bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the Campaign Committee.

- (i) Review bank statements from July 2024 through November 2024 (the reporting period) and perform the following:

- Select five (5) samples of deposits and withdrawals from the bank statements and determine that the transaction is properly reflected in the candidate's records and campaign finance reports.

Finding

We selected one deposit (total population tested) and five withdrawals from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that they appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Perform a proof of receipts and disbursements for the reporting period, which is defined as reporting the ending balances of the November 2024 bank statement and the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

The Candidate's 2024 General Recap Report campaign finance report listed a balance of \$370.06 at November 5, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$11.78 at November 30, 2024.

- d) Using the dates and limits defined in the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Guide, review the receipts reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to determine the following:

- (i) The candidate accepted contributions only from individuals.

Finding

The contributions received during the reporting period appeared to be only from individuals.

- (ii) None of the contributions received from individuals exceed the early contribution limit.

Finding

Contributions received from individuals during the reporting period did not exceed the \$210 early contribution limit.

- (iii) Check compliance with the maximum early contribution limits.

Finding

Early contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$5,293 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- (iv) Check compliance with the maximum personal contribution limits.

Finding

Personal contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$910 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- e) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) contributions reported in the candidate's campaign finance report (not including the \$5 qualifying contributions) and agree to supporting documentation, which reflects the name of the contributor (for all contributions) and for individuals who contributed greater than \$100, which reflects the contributor's address, occupation and employer.

Finding

No contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (i) For other types of cash receipts reported on the candidate's campaign finance reports, review supporting documentation and review for compliance with regulatory rules and laws and agree the receipt to inclusion in the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

No other types of cash receipts were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (ii) For in-kind contributions, review the supporting documentation and determine the methodology utilized to value the contribution and assess the reasonableness.

Finding

No in-kind contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- f) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) of cash expenditures reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports and perform the following:

- (i) Review supporting invoice or other documentation and agree amount to the amount reported in the candidate's finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to supporting invoices or other documentation to the Candidate's Campaign finance report.

- (ii) Determine that the name, address and nature of goods or services provided agree to the information reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed the name, address, and nature of goods or services provided in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Agree the amount of the expenditure to the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to the Campaign account bank statements without exception.

- (iii) Determine whether the expenditure was made for a direct campaign purpose. Direct campaign purpose includes, but is not limited to, materials, communications, transportation, supplies and expenses used toward the election of the candidate.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and determined that all appeared to have been made for direct campaign purposes.

- If the expenditure is a joint expenditure made in conjunction with other candidates, determine that the amount paid represents the candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

Finding

None of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures.

- g) Determine whether any petty cash funds have been established and, if so, determine how expenditures from these funds have been reflected in the accounting records. Determine whether aggregate petty cash funds exceed the limit of \$1,800.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- (i) If applicable, for both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) candidate's petty cash fund expenditures and obtain supporting documentation for the expenditure. Determine whether the expenditure was for a direct campaign expense and whether the expenditure was in excess of the \$210 limit on petty cash expenditures.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- h) Determine if the candidate/campaign incurred any debt. If so, report all debt.

Finding

The Candidate did not report any debt on the Campaign Reports.

- i) Contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the preliminary engagement findings and recommendations that the Contractor anticipates presenting to the CCEC. During this conference, the Contractor will advise the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) of their right to respond to the preliminary findings and the projected timetable for the issuance of the final issuance of the report.

Finding

We reported our findings to the Candidate and the Candidate did not provide responses to our findings.

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures

**Joseph Dailey
Participating Candidate for
State Representative - District 11
General Election 2024**



Independent Accountants' Report on
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Chairman and Members of the
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Phoenix, Arizona

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were specified and agreed to by the State of Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the Commission), solely to assist the Commission in evaluating whether Joseph Dailey's (the Candidate)'s 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3), 2024 Pre-General Election, and 2024 General Recap Report (the Reports) which covers the period from July 14, 2024 through November 5, 2024 (the reporting period) was prepared in compliance with Title 16, Articles 1 and 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Campaign Contributions and Expenses, and the Citizens Clean Elections Act, and whether the reports complied with the rules of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The Candidate's management is responsible for the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are presented on the subsequent pages.

We were engaged by the Commission to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period of Joseph Dailey. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and the Candidate and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Fester & Chapman, PLLC

March 17, 2025

Summary of Procedures and Findings

1. Preliminary Procedures

- a) Contractor will obtain a copy of the candidate's campaign finance reports for the reporting period.

Finding

We obtained the Candidate's Reports from the Arizona Secretary of State's website for the reporting period referred to above.

- b). Perform a desk review of the disbursements reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to identify any unusual items requiring follow-up during fieldwork.

Finding

We noted no unusual disbursements during our review.

- d). Contact the candidate or the campaign treasurer, as appropriate, to schedule a date to perform fieldwork. Discuss the nature of the documentation, which will be needed to perform the engagement and ascertain the location of the necessary documentation.

Finding

We contacted the Candidate to discuss the agreed-upon procedures, the timing of our procedures, and the documentation needed.

2. Fieldwork Procedures

- a) Contractor will contact the candidate to request the records for an agreed-upon procedures attest engagement. Candidates receiving audits after the Primary Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report. Candidates receiving audits after the General Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

Commission staff sent an initial notice to the Candidate and informed the Candidate that we would be contacting them. We then communicated to the Candidate in a written request, the purpose of the request, agreed-upon procedures to be performed, documentation needed, and potential future requirements of the Candidate.

- b) The contractor shall contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the purpose of the engagement, the general procedures to be performed and potential future requirements of the candidate, such as possible repayments to the Fund.

Finding

See comment in a) above.

- c) The Contractor shall contact or conduct an interview with the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the campaign committee.

Finding

The Candidate provided a description of bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the Campaign Committee.

- (i) Review bank statements from July 2024 through November 2024 (the reporting period) and perform the following:

- Select five (5) samples of deposits and withdrawals from the bank statements and determine that the transaction is properly reflected in the candidate's records and campaign finance reports.

Finding

We selected one deposit (total population tested) and five withdrawals from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that they appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Perform a proof of receipts and disbursements for the reporting period, which is defined as reporting the ending balances of the November 2024 bank statement and the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

The Candidate's 2024 General Recap Report campaign finance report listed a balance of \$80.00 at November 5, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$0.00 at November 30, 2024.

- d) Using the dates and limits defined in the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Guide, review the receipts reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to determine the following:

- (i) The candidate accepted contributions only from individuals.

Finding

The contributions received during the reporting period appeared to be only from individuals.

- (ii) None of the contributions received from individuals exceed the early contribution limit.

Finding

Contributions received from individuals during the reporting period did not exceed the \$210 early contribution limit.

- (iii) Check compliance with the maximum early contribution limits.

Finding

Early contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$5,293 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- (iv) Check compliance with the maximum personal contribution limits.

Finding

Personal contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$910 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- e) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) contributions reported in the candidate's campaign finance report (not including the \$5 qualifying contributions) and agree to supporting documentation, which reflects the name of the contributor (for all contributions) and for individuals who contributed greater than \$100, which reflects the contributor's address, occupation and employer.

Finding

No contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (i) For other types of cash receipts reported on the candidate's campaign finance reports, review supporting documentation and review for compliance with regulatory rules and laws and agree the receipt to inclusion in the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

No other types of cash receipts were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (ii) For in-kind contributions, review the supporting documentation and determine the methodology utilized to value the contribution and assess the reasonableness.

Finding

No in-kind contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- f) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) of cash expenditures reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports and perform the following:

- (i) Review supporting invoice or other documentation and agree amount to the amount reported in the candidate's finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to supporting invoices or other documentation to the Candidate's Campaign finance report.

- (ii) Determine that the name, address and nature of goods or services provided agree to the information reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed the name, address, and nature of goods or services provided in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Agree the amount of the expenditure to the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to the Campaign account bank statements without exception.

- (iii) Determine whether the expenditure was made for a direct campaign purpose. Direct campaign purpose includes, but is not limited to, materials, communications, transportation, supplies and expenses used toward the election of the candidate.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and determined that all appeared to have been made for direct campaign purposes.

- If the expenditure is a joint expenditure made in conjunction with other candidates, determine that the amount paid represents the candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

Finding

None of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures.

- g) Determine whether any petty cash funds have been established and, if so, determine how expenditures from these funds have been reflected in the accounting records. Determine whether aggregate petty cash funds exceed the limit of \$1,800.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- (i) If applicable, for both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) candidate's petty cash fund expenditures and obtain supporting documentation for the expenditure. Determine whether the expenditure was for a direct campaign expense and whether the expenditure was in excess of the \$210 limit on petty cash expenditures.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- h) Determine if the candidate/campaign incurred any debt. If so, report all debt.

Finding

The Candidate's 2024 General Recap Report listed a balance of outstanding loans on Schedule L1 - Loans Made to This Committee of \$65.00, and a balance of outstanding loans on Schedule L2 - Loans Made by This Committee of negative (\$127.24).

- i) Contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the preliminary engagement findings and recommendations that the Contractor anticipates presenting to the CCEC. During this conference, the Contractor will advise the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) of their right to respond to the preliminary findings and the projected timetable for the issuance of the final issuance of the report.

Finding

We reported our findings to the Candidate and the Candidate did not provide responses to our findings.

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures

**Tanairi Ochoa-Martinez
Participating Candidate for
State Representative - District 29
General Election 2024**



Independent Accountants' Report on
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Chairman and Members of the
Citizens Clean Elections Commission
Phoenix, Arizona

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were specified and agreed to by the State of Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission (the Commission), solely to assist the Commission in evaluating whether Tanairi Ochoa-Martinez's (the Candidate)'s 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3), 2024 Pre-General Election, and 2024 General Recap Report (the Reports) which covers the period from July 14, 2024 through November 5, 2024 (the reporting period) was prepared in compliance with Title 16, Articles 1 and 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Campaign Contributions and Expenses, and the Citizens Clean Elections Act, and whether the reports complied with the rules of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The Candidate's management is responsible for the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are presented on the subsequent pages.

We were engaged by the Commission to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Campaign finance reports during the reporting period of Tanairi Ochoa-Martinez. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and the Candidate and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Fester & Chapman, PLLC

March 17, 2025

Summary of Procedures and Findings

1. Preliminary Procedures

- a) Contractor will obtain a copy of the candidate's campaign finance reports for the reporting period.

Finding

We obtained the Candidate's Reports from the Arizona Secretary of State's website for the reporting period referred to above.

- b). Perform a desk review of the disbursements reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to identify any unusual items requiring follow-up during fieldwork.

Finding

We noted no unusual disbursements during our review.

- d). Contact the candidate or the campaign treasurer, as appropriate, to schedule a date to perform fieldwork. Discuss the nature of the documentation, which will be needed to perform the engagement and ascertain the location of the necessary documentation.

Finding

We contacted the Candidate to discuss the agreed-upon procedures, the timing of our procedures, and the documentation needed.

2. Fieldwork Procedures

- a) Contractor will contact the candidate to request the records for an agreed-upon procedures attest engagement. Candidates receiving audits after the Primary Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report. Candidates receiving audits after the General Election shall provide records from the election cycle through the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

Commission staff sent an initial notice to the Candidate and informed the Candidate that we would be contacting them. We then communicated to the Candidate in a written request, the purpose of the request, agreed-upon procedures to be performed, documentation needed, and potential future requirements of the Candidate.

- b) The contractor shall contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the purpose of the engagement, the general procedures to be performed and potential future requirements of the candidate, such as possible repayments to the Fund.

Finding

See comment in a) above.

- c) The Contractor shall contact or conduct an interview with the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the campaign committee.

Finding

The Candidate provided a description of bookkeeping policies and procedures utilized by the Campaign Committee.

- (i) Review bank statements from July 2024 through November 2024 (the reporting period) and perform the following:
- Select five (5) samples of deposits and withdrawals from the bank statements and determine that the transaction is properly reflected in the candidate's records and campaign finance reports.

Finding

We selected five deposits from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that they appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports. We selected five withdrawals from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that four of the five withdrawals appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports; however, one item listed on the bank statement as \$5,00.000 was recorded as \$4,800.00 on the Candidate Finance Report. The unsupported variance of \$200.00 is considered an exception.

- Perform a proof of receipts and disbursements for the reporting period, which is defined as reporting the ending balances of the November 2024 bank statement and the 2024 General Recap Report.

Finding

The Candidate's 2024 General Recap Report campaign finance report listed a balance of \$812.20 at November 5, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$366.34 at November 30, 2024.

- d) Using the dates and limits defined in the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Guide, review the receipts reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports to determine the following:

- (i) The candidate accepted contributions only from individuals.

Finding

The contributions received during the reporting period appeared to be only from individuals.

- (ii) None of the contributions received from individuals exceed the early contribution limit.

Finding

Contributions received from individuals during the reporting period did not exceed the \$210 early contribution limit.

- (iii) Check compliance with the maximum early contribution limits.

Finding

Early contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$5,293 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- (iv) Check compliance with the maximum personal contribution limits.

Finding

Personal contributions received during the reporting period did not exceed the \$910 limit for a Legislative candidate.

- e) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) contributions reported in the candidate's campaign finance report (not including the \$5 qualifying contributions) and agree to supporting documentation, which reflects the name of the contributor (for all contributions) and for individuals who contributed greater than \$100, which reflects the contributor's address, occupation and employer.

Finding

No contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (i) For other types of cash receipts reported on the candidate's campaign finance reports, review supporting documentation and review for compliance with regulatory rules and laws and agree the receipt to inclusion in the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

No other types of cash receipts were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- (ii) For in-kind contributions, review the supporting documentation and determine the methodology utilized to value the contribution and assess the reasonableness.

Finding

No in-kind contributions were reported in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports during the reporting period.

- f) For both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) of cash expenditures reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports and perform the following:

- (i) Review supporting invoice or other documentation and agree amount to the amount reported in the candidate's finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to supporting invoices or other documentation to the Candidate's Campaign finance report.

- (ii) Determine that the name, address and nature of goods or services provided agree to the information reported in the candidate's campaign finance reports.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed the name, address, and nature of goods or services provided in the Candidate's Campaign finance reports.

- Agree the amount of the expenditure to the campaign account bank statement.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and agreed amounts to the Campaign account bank statements without exception.

- (iii) Determine whether the expenditure was made for a direct campaign purpose. Direct campaign purpose includes, but is not limited to, materials, communications, transportation, supplies and expenses used toward the election of the candidate.

Finding

We reviewed five expenditures and determined that all appeared to have been made for direct campaign purposes.

- If the expenditure is a joint expenditure made in conjunction with other candidates, determine that the amount paid represents the candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

Finding

None of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures.

- g) Determine whether any petty cash funds have been established and, if so, determine how expenditures from these funds have been reflected in the accounting records. Determine whether aggregate petty cash funds exceed the limit of \$1,800.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- (i) If applicable, for both the primary election and the general election, contractor will judgmentally select a 10% sample size with a minimum of five (5) candidate's petty cash fund expenditures and obtain supporting documentation for the expenditure. Determine whether the expenditure was for a direct campaign expense and whether the expenditure was in excess of the \$210 limit on petty cash expenditures.

Finding

Based on inquiry of the Candidate, the Candidate did not establish a petty cash fund during the reporting period.

- h) Determine if the candidate/campaign incurred any debt. If so, report all debt.

Finding

The Candidate did not report any debt on the Campaign Reports.

- i) Contact the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) to discuss the preliminary engagement findings and recommendations that the Contractor anticipates presenting to the CCEC. During this conference, the Contractor will advise the candidate and/or his or her representative(s) of their right to respond to the preliminary findings and the projected timetable for the issuance of the final issuance of the report.

Finding

We reported our findings to the Candidate and the Candidate did not provide responses to our findings.