



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

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

**Date:** Thursday, August 28, 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 August 28, 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@azcleanelections.gov](mailto:ccec@azcleanelections.gov).

The meeting may be available for live streaming online at <https://www.youtube.com/c/AZCCEC>. You can also visit <https://www.azcleanelections.gov/clean-elections-commission-meetings>. Members of the Citizens Clean Elections Commission may attend in person, by telephone, video, or internet conferencing.

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Members of the public may participate via Zoom by computer, tablet or telephone. A dial-in option is also available but you will not be able to use the Zoom raise hand feature, so the meeting administrator will assist phone attendees. Please keep yourself muted unless you are prompted to speak.

The Commission may allow time for public comment on any item on the agenda. Commission members may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing Commission staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

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.

Any person with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting the Commission at (602) 364-3477. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange accommodations.

**The agenda for the meeting is as follows:**

- I. Call to Order.
- II. Discussion and Possible Action on Meeting Minutes for June 26, 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, and the regulatory agenda, and the Governor's Regulatory Review Council. The legislative update includes bills that have or may be considered for action by the Arizona legislature or the Governor. Materials are included in the Commission packet available on its website or by request at [ccec@azcleanelections.gov](mailto:ccec@azcleanelections.gov).

- IV. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Conciliation Agreement in MUR 25-02, Anna Abeytia, 2024 legislative candidate.
- V. Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Conciliation Agreement in MUR 25-01 and related repayment order, Hector Jaramillo, 2024 legislative candidate.
- VI. Discussion and Possible Action on Final Approval of Amendment to R2-20-106 regarding compliance safeguards before funding is distributed.
- VII. Discussion and Possible Action on Final Approval of New Rule R2-20-706 creating rebuttable presumption that clean elections funding has not been used for direct campaign spending where a required campaign finance report is not made within 5 days of the reporting deadline.
- VIII. 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
- IX. 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 26th day of August, 2025  
Citizens Clean Elections Commission  
Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director

THE STATE OF ARIZONA  
CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PUBLIC MEETING

Phoenix, Arizona

June 26, 2025

10:00 a.m.

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| <p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>1 PUBLIC MEETING, BEFORE THE CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS<br/> 2 COMMISSION, convened at 10:00 a.m. on June 26, 2025, at the<br/> 3 State of Arizona, Citizens Clean Elections Commission, 1110<br/> 4 West Washington, Suite 250, Phoenix, Arizona, in the presence<br/> 5 of the following Board Members:<br/> 6 Mr. Mark S. Kimble, Chairman<br/> 7 Mr. Galen Paton<br/> 8 Ms. Christina Estes-Werther<br/> 9 Ms. Amy Chan (videoconference)<br/> 10<br/> 11 OTHERS PRESENT:<br/> 12<br/> 13 Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director<br/> 14 Paula Thomas, Executive Officer<br/> 15 Mike Becker, Policy Director<br/> 16 Gina Roberts, Voter Education Director<br/> 17 Avery Xola, Voter Education Manager<br/> 18 Alec Shaffer, Web Content Manager<br/> 19 Jessica Painter, KCA, Inc.<br/> 20<br/> 21 OTHERS PRESENT VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE:<br/> 22<br/> 23 Mary O'Grady, Osborn Maledon<br/> 24 Rivko Knox, Member of the Public<br/> 25 Jonathan Berkon, Elias Law Group<br/> 26 Emma Anspach, Elias Law Group<br/> 27<br/> 28<br/> 29<br/> 30<br/> 31<br/> 32<br/> 33<br/> 34<br/> 35<br/> 36<br/> 37<br/> 38<br/> 39<br/> 40<br/> 41<br/> 42<br/> 43<br/> 44<br/> 45<br/> 46<br/> 47<br/> 48<br/> 49<br/> 50<br/> 51<br/> 52<br/> 53<br/> 54<br/> 55<br/> 56<br/> 57<br/> 58<br/> 59<br/> 60<br/> 61<br/> 62<br/> 63<br/> 64<br/> 65<br/> 66<br/> 67<br/> 68<br/> 69<br/> 70<br/> 71<br/> 72<br/> 73<br/> 74<br/> 75<br/> 76<br/> 77<br/> 78<br/> 79<br/> 80<br/> 81<br/> 82<br/> 83<br/> 84<br/> 85<br/> 86<br/> 87<br/> 88<br/> 89<br/> 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| <p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>1 We get to take credit for that now?</p> <p>2 Notwithstanding her -- her practice and her professional,</p> <p>3 that goes on our list too?</p> <p>4 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I have two more</p> <p>5 trainings this month. There you go.</p> <p>6 MR. COLLINS: And Gina hosted a guided</p> <p>7 discussion on voter education guides which I thought -- I sat</p> <p>8 in on one of those, and I thought that was a very interesting</p> <p>9 discussion to have and -- and hearing from different county</p> <p>10 and city administrators about -- about voter education.</p> <p>11 So I think those are the things that I -- that I</p> <p>12 wanted to highlight.</p> <p>13 The podcast that we've been recording, I think has</p> <p>14 been well received. The lieutenant governor episode that is</p> <p>15 on up -- was up last week I got e-mails and texts from people</p> <p>16 who really liked that. So check that out if you haven't.</p> <p>17 Real quick on this, just to close out I think my</p> <p>18 aspect of this report, the <i>Center for Arizona Policy versus</i></p> <p>19 <i>Arizona Secretary of State</i>, that's the Prop 211 case about</p> <p>20 whether or not Prop 211 violates the state constitution,</p> <p>21 particularly the First Amendment analog in the state</p> <p>22 constitution.</p> <p>23 And so amicus briefs on -- on that were due this</p> <p>24 week, so there were about four on each side which I'm happy</p> <p>25 to share with you if you're interested in. I thought for our</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>                                   | <p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>1 purposes or for my law nerd purposes, John Leshy, who many</p> <p>2 people may know is the leading authority on the Arizona</p> <p>3 Constitution, he -- he with some other law professors weighed</p> <p>4 in on our side about the original intent on the Arizona</p> <p>5 Constitution.</p> <p>6 So I think that was -- I think that's helpful, to</p> <p>7 say the least.</p> <p>8 I -- we were going to have -- I think if we could</p> <p>9 just talk about the debates I thought, Mr. Chairman, if it</p> <p>10 would be okay, we have Gina talk about that just because</p> <p>11 she's the --</p> <p>12 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Of course.</p> <p>13 Debates were held in CD7, and I saw quite a bit of</p> <p>14 coverage of them in the media mentioning Clean Elections.</p> <p>15 So, Gina.</p> <p>16 MS. ROBERTS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman,</p> <p>17 Commissioners.</p> <p>18 Yes, we -- we had the Democratic and Republican</p> <p>19 debates for the candidates that are running in the special</p> <p>20 CD7 primary election. Those were held on June 9th and</p> <p>21 June 10th, and we were very pleased with the results of the</p> <p>22 debate in terms of the metrics that were able to follow.</p> <p>23 So all candidates that were eligible to participate</p> <p>24 did participate. We actually held the debate down in the</p> <p>25 district. So we went down to Tucson and we partnered with</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>  |
| <p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>1 Arizona Public Media, we had it there, at their station at</p> <p>2 the U of A campus.</p> <p>3 And in your packet you'll have a memorandum in</p> <p>4 there that has both the "how to watch" documents for each</p> <p>5 debate. This basically shows every single media partner that</p> <p>6 picked up the debate, whether it was broadcast or radio or</p> <p>7 airing digitally such as their websites, things like that.</p> <p>8 So just to highlight briefly: Six TV stations in</p> <p>9 Southern Arizona specifically aired each debate live in</p> <p>10 English and one aired each debate live in Spanish as well.</p> <p>11 Telemundo aired the debate as well in both Phoenix and</p> <p>12 Tucson.</p> <p>13 And for radio stations we had six, four in Southern</p> <p>14 Arizona and two in Phoenix that aired the debate in both</p> <p>15 English, and two radio stations aired the debate live in</p> <p>16 Spanish. The reason why I call out the Spanish component of</p> <p>17 it is because CD7 has a large amount of Spanish-speaking</p> <p>18 population.</p> <p>19 So when we do our debates, we offer them to</p> <p>20 simulcast to any of the media partners in English. We have</p> <p>21 live Spanish translators on-site at the debate, and then we</p> <p>22 also do an American Sign Language box and we provide CART</p> <p>23 captioning. So by providing these different variations of</p> <p>24 the debates, it makes it much more accessible to the voters.</p> <p>25 So, really happy to see the Spanish media pick that up and</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">9</p> <p>1 make it available as well for the Spanish-speaking population</p> <p>2 in CD7.</p> <p>3 For comparison purposes when we had our debates in</p> <p>4 2024 in this general area in Southern Arizona, we had</p> <p>5 Congressional District 6, which is a very contested race</p> <p>6 between Representative Juan Ciscomani and his opponent</p> <p>7 Kirsten Engel, and that was a very successful debate in terms</p> <p>8 of the metrics that we were following. This particular</p> <p>9 July 15th special election CD7 race, the debate surpassed the</p> <p>10 metrics for that CD6 debate.</p> <p>11 So again, just comparison, a lot of folks are</p> <p>12 interested in this special election and very happy to show</p> <p>13 that our performance in the debates is -- was exceeding</p> <p>14 expectations.</p> <p>15 So as far as being down in the district, we did</p> <p>16 have quite a bit of local media, including some folks from</p> <p>17 Phoenix drive down as well, show up. Which, you know --</p> <p>18 which is fantastic because the fact we brought the debate to</p> <p>19 the district as opposed to having the candidates drive up</p> <p>20 here, it provided more access to the local media. I think we</p> <p>21 had approximately 15 members of the media which also afforded</p> <p>22 opportunities for both Tom and I to do interviews with those</p> <p>23 media as well to explain about the Clean Elections' debate</p> <p>24 process.</p> <p>25 So from a PR perspective, a public relations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>1 perspective, when we look at the coverage for it, we see that</p> <p>2 we had several links to the debate coverage referencing Clean</p> <p>3 Elections, things like that.</p> <p>4       So, you know, if we were to put this into dollars</p> <p>5 amounts, the total advertising value for the debates was</p> <p>6 approximately \$179,000. So it's effective in terms of the</p> <p>7 distribution, which goes back to our partnership with the</p> <p>8 Arizona Media Association, how we are producing these</p> <p>9 debates, again making that accessibility to it from captions</p> <p>10 to Spanish translation, things like that. We are making</p> <p>11 these debates as accessible as possible to -- to the voters.</p> <p>12       So that's a highlight. Again, we have the very</p> <p>13 specific metrics and details in your packet, but with that,</p> <p>14 I'm happy to answer any questions.</p> <p>15       CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you. And speaking of</p> <p>16 advertising, I noticed a large billboard along I-10 when I</p> <p>17 was driving from Tucson this morning mentioning the special</p> <p>18 election and Clean Elections somewhere around Casa Grande.</p> <p>19       MS. ROBERTS: Mm-hm.</p> <p>20       CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Any questions for Gina from</p> <p>21 members of the Commission?</p> <p>22       COMMISSIONER PATON: I -- I have a comment.</p> <p>23       CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>24       COMMISSIONER PATON: So I went to the</p> <p>25 Republican debate, and I was quite impressed. I thought it</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>1 was very professionally done. I thought -- I learned quite a</p> <p>2 bit about the candidates. I mean, I don't vote in that area,</p> <p>3 but I learned quite a bit about them and -- and then I could</p> <p>4 tell my friends that I know live in those areas what I</p> <p>5 thought when I saw that.</p> <p>6       And I think in the past before we started doing</p> <p>7 this for the federal things, I think, you know, the -- it</p> <p>8 seems like we were just exposing people to -- to really see</p> <p>9 who these candidates are. It's not just who has the most</p> <p>10 money to throw the flyers out or whatever they do, and it</p> <p>11 forces the media to cover all these people. And I noticed</p> <p>12 that they found some interesting aspects about some of the --</p> <p>13 the candidates that I bet they probably wouldn't have</p> <p>14 investigated as hard I don't think.</p> <p>15       But I mean, it seemed like, like to me there was</p> <p>16 about 20 reporters there asking questions and -- and it kind</p> <p>17 of seemed like it was some like in LA or someplace that has,</p> <p>18 you know, a lot of more influence.</p> <p>19       But, you know, I was really proud of the fact that</p> <p>20 we put this on and -- and how Gina and Tom got all that</p> <p>21 together and the Riester people that were doing that. I -- I</p> <p>22 was really impressed about how it went.</p> <p>23       Not as so impressed as I went the next night, but.</p> <p>24 But, you know, it was very good and -- and I appreciate the</p> <p>25 fact that we did that, and I think it was good for the State</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p>1 of Arizona, and I hope we continue doing that kind of thing.</p> <p>2       CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner</p> <p>3 Paton. And we will continue doing it in the general</p> <p>4 election. We have a debate set up already I think.</p> <p>5       MS. ROBERTS: Yes, Mr. Chairman. August 26th</p> <p>6 is our -- our tentative date. So once we get through the</p> <p>7 primary, we will extend the official invitations to the</p> <p>8 eligible candidates that can participate, lock down</p> <p>9 participation.</p> <p>10       And the goal is to have it on that date but, of</p> <p>11 course, you know, if there are scheduling conflicts, we might</p> <p>12 have to work around that.</p> <p>13       COMMISSIONER PATON: In Tucson again?</p> <p>14       MS. ROBERTS: Yes --</p> <p>15       COMMISSIONER PATON: Okay.</p> <p>16       MS. ROBERTS: -- absolutely. We will be going</p> <p>17 right back down to the same studio. Mm-hm.</p> <p>18       CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you. Any other</p> <p>19 questions for Gina?</p> <p>20       Thank you, Gina.</p> <p>21       Tom, are you -- anything else from your Executive</p> <p>22 Director's report?</p> <p>23       MR. COLLINS: No. No, Mr. Chairman. Thanks.</p> <p>24       CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay, thanks.</p> <p>25       Any other comments from the Commission for Tom or</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>  | <p style="text-align: right;">13</p> <p>1 anything else on the report?</p> <p>2       If not, Item IV, discussion and possible action on</p> <p>3 advisory opinion requested by Fair Democracy regarding</p> <p>4 application of the definition of campaign media spending to</p> <p>5 public communications.</p> <p>6       We have an advisory opinion request to consider the</p> <p>7 application of the Voters' Right to Know Act to several</p> <p>8 public communications. Tom has an overview of the draft, and</p> <p>9 we'll consider public comments if there are any.</p> <p>10       Tom.</p> <p>11       MR. COLLINS: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman,</p> <p>12 and I see that John and Emma are here, so.</p> <p>13       The -- I wanted to -- we have a quick Power Point</p> <p>14 we wanted to use to sort of frame at least the staff part of</p> <p>15 this.</p> <p>16       That's our logo.</p> <p>17       So I wanted to start by saying that, you know,</p> <p>18 these are sort of our options at this point. We have a</p> <p>19 deadline in the rule that we drafted around this that didn't</p> <p>20 quite work with the way we do our meetings compared to other</p> <p>21 agencies that have -- from where we took the rule, but it's</p> <p>22 working okay.</p> <p>23       So what that means is that I think the deadline for</p> <p>24 us to complete this -- answer this question is somewhere</p> <p>25 around July 8th-ish.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>  |

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| <p style="text-align: right;">14</p> <p>1 So options today would be approve the advisory<br/> 2 opinion draft. A second option is if you were to get into,<br/> 3 of course, discussion and think, you know, we just can't, we<br/> 4 will not be able to resolve this, we would put out a written<br/> 5 statement that says we can't do that. And then a third would<br/> 6 be at least provisionally, an additional meeting if we had to<br/> 7 reconvene in some more -- probably more of -- probably an<br/> 8 online type of public meeting to -- to -- to resolve<br/> 9 questions.</p> <p>10 So I just wanted to lay that out there first if I<br/> 11 could, and then we wanted to get into this a little bit<br/> 12 from -- from -- from where we think the -- we think the draft<br/> 13 is.</p> <p>14 I would note to, the best of our knowledge, we<br/> 15 didn't get any written public comment about the request or<br/> 16 the -- or the -- or the draft we put out to -- circulated on,<br/> 17 I think, Monday. Which is fine, I just wanna -- that's --<br/> 18 that's our understanding. If anybody has an alternate<br/> 19 understanding, please let us know.</p> <p>20 So first thing we want to talk a little bit about<br/> 21 is the standard here. This is the campaign media -- the<br/> 22 opinion draft principally deals with the application of two<br/> 23 provisions of the campaign media definition. One having to<br/> 24 do with this promotes/supports/attacks/opposes standard which<br/> 25 is we call that PASO because PSAO is harder to say. And --</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/> www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>1 and -- so, you know, and we put out an opinion related to<br/> 2 this last year and the upshot of that opinion, which I try to<br/> 3 summarize there, is, you know, you're trying to walk a line<br/> 4 between what qualifies as a mere reference to a candidate<br/> 5 because in another definition closer to the election, a<br/> 6 reference to a clearly identified candidate would -- might<br/> 7 bring your communication within the definition of campaign<br/> 8 media spending. We want an action that involves the<br/> 9 candidacy.</p> <p>10 So the distinction we drew principally in the 24.03<br/> 11 advisory opinion was that a communication that focused on a<br/> 12 policy view of an election official but, you know, doesn't<br/> 13 mention their candidacy would not be covered.</p> <p>14 So the mere fact that somebody was a candidate,<br/> 15 you've got a thing -- an -- an ad that says "Call So-and-So,"<br/> 16 you know, that's -- that is -- in this -- under this<br/> 17 definition which runs between 60 days before -- six months<br/> 18 before the election and the 90 days prior to the primary, you<br/> 19 know, that wouldn't qualify under that definition as a -- as<br/> 20 a -- as a -- as a campaign media spending.</p> <p>21 I think we can go to the next one.</p> <p>22 So this part is a little more elaborate. It's a<br/> 23 little more text, so we'll have two slides on this.</p> <p>24 This is the definition. You know, spending monies<br/> 25 or accepting in-kind contributions for communication that</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/> www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>  |
| <p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>1 supports the election or defeat of candidates of an<br/> 2 identified political party or the electoral prospects of an<br/> 3 identified political party.</p> <p>4 Then there's some examples laid out there which<br/> 5 are, you know, partisan voter registration, get-out-the-vote,<br/> 6 that kind of thing.</p> <p>7 And then there again in 24.03 we considered some<br/> 8 party partisan communications or something that would seem to<br/> 9 apply or might apply in this, and we thought that a<br/> 10 communication that doesn't involve the electoral prospects of<br/> 11 candidates or particular party or the party itself are not<br/> 12 covered.</p> <p>13 So an advertisement that mentions the party as a<br/> 14 means to another end, such as providing context for a call to<br/> 15 action to contact the legislator, or seeking to bring more<br/> 16 people into association with the organization, or facilitate<br/> 17 direct communication with a particular election official does<br/> 18 not meet that definition, so.</p> <p>19 You know, again, we're trying to apply the statute<br/> 20 by its terms. We're trying to be conscious of the, you know,<br/> 21 the -- the constitutional overlay that goes over all of this.<br/> 22 And we're also -- also trying to act consistent with the<br/> 23 intent of the Act as the voters put it which, you know, was<br/> 24 to, you know, you know, we want -- we want -- the voters want<br/> 25 to know essentially who paid for, you know, campaign media</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/> www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>       | <p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>1 spending or, you know, campaign ads.</p> <p>2 Now, I will say this, that we also think that the<br/> 3 way you do that sort of philosophically generally ought to be<br/> 4 intuitive and not necessarily counterintuitive. Right?</p> <p>5 So there is a -- there is a way in which lawyers<br/> 6 think where the right answer turns out to be the answer that<br/> 7 everybody thought was wrong all along. That's something that<br/> 8 one of our -- one of my closest legal friends calls "The<br/> 9 clever lawyer test." We -- we -- we think that the voters<br/> 10 did not enact a clever lawyer test for campaign media<br/> 11 spending. We think that they enacted a statute that's pretty<br/> 12 clear and that people should be able to apply fairly, you<br/> 13 know, in a way that will result in folks, you know, voters<br/> 14 getting the information that they think they're going to get.</p> <p>15 So we want to go down, I think the next one then.<br/> 16 We have a little chart.</p> <p>17 This is basically a breakdown of the ad- -- of<br/> 18 the -- of the ads that we considered or the -- so we believe<br/> 19 that the first one -- and we'll look at -- we'll look at<br/> 20 these in detail, but we basically concluded that examples 3<br/> 21 and 5 were attacks essentially and that 1 and 4 were not, did<br/> 22 not fall within that. And then the 2 we inter- -- we took 2<br/> 23 to be about the party communication or activity standard.</p> <p>24 Again, that's how we saw it. If other people think<br/> 25 there are other statutes we should have answered, we have a</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/> www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>1 footnote sort of getting at when you're doing list</p> <p>2 development kind of stuff in there. But we didn't -- we're</p> <p>3 not spending a lot of time in this presentation about that.</p> <p>4 And that's sort of where we are.</p> <p>5 The other thing I want to say by way of background</p> <p>6 before we look at the ads themselves again, is, you know, we</p> <p>7 have a case in Arizona with respect to disclosure, with</p> <p>8 respect to what express advocacy means. And so I'm being a</p> <p>9 little jargon-y here but, you know, the -- the sort of the --</p> <p>10 you know, but we have a standard of what constitutes express</p> <p>11 advocacy that has been announced by our Court of Appeals.</p> <p>12 And -- and so, you know, we think that that case</p> <p>13 which is good law and -- and we can -- we think binding on --</p> <p>14 on -- on the Commission as a staff -- or as I do anyways --</p> <p>15 you know, is something we have to bear in mind when we're</p> <p>16 thinking about this. And so that's why if -- when you look</p> <p>17 at the draft itself, there's a footnote that says if we're</p> <p>18 going to -- if we get -- if we -- if we determine something</p> <p>19 is, in fact, going to hit the PASO standard, then we're not</p> <p>20 going to have to evaluate it for that express advocacy</p> <p>21 standard.</p> <p>22 But I think that that express advocacy standard as</p> <p>23 applied in <i>Commission For Justice and Fairness v. Secretary</i></p> <p>24 <i>of State</i>, you know, it was an important thing for folks to</p> <p>25 understand if you're actually in the business of reviewing</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>1 these things for compliance purposes, so.</p> <p>2 So what -- I guess we can go to the ads themselves.</p> <p>3 Let's see here.</p> <p>4 So this was Communication 1, and this is actually</p> <p>5 in the opinion -- or, in the request itself. We didn't</p> <p>6 reproduce the ads in the opinion, although I think what we'll</p> <p>7 end up doing when we distribute it is attaching the -- the</p> <p>8 letter of request to the opinion that goes out so that folks</p> <p>9 can cross-reference, you know.</p> <p>10 This one you've got -- this one we think falls</p> <p>11 within that 24.03 referring to a -- a representative who may</p> <p>12 be a candidate, but it's really not focused on their -- on</p> <p>13 their candidacy, it's focused on their -- on their -- on</p> <p>14 their -- their role in the -- and -- and the role of the</p> <p>15 party in opposition to a particular policy measure.</p> <p>16 So we -- we thought that this falls within our --</p> <p>17 our -- the way we applied this in the earlier draft.</p> <p>18 So 2a, 2b, and 2c have to do with party, right? So</p> <p>19 it's expressly calling out a particular party and talking</p> <p>20 about what they want to do. You know, there is again a</p> <p>21 direct reference to a particular policy issue that's ongoing.</p> <p>22 And -- and -- and so we thought that, again, that this falls</p> <p>23 within what we had said about how to -- how to deal with --</p> <p>24 with partisan communications in the context of -- of that</p> <p>25 standard.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>   |
| <p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>1 We're trying to figure out a good analogy here. We</p> <p>2 haven't quite got it except it's something like -- and it's</p> <p>3 only something like I think -- the difference between a "got</p> <p>4 milk" advertisement and a, you know, the -- and "buy milk at</p> <p>5 Safeway" advertisement, you know, so. You know.</p> <p>6 In other words, you know, feel good about your</p> <p>7 party because they're doing this thing that is -- that we</p> <p>8 like versus vote -- you know, versus come buy the party's</p> <p>9 product. It's not quite perfect, but something like that.</p> <p>10 Just for practical purposes, right? So if you're just doing</p> <p>11 a -- if you're doing an advertisement to say "if you have</p> <p>12 good feelings about me," that's not necessarily going to be</p> <p>13 electoral per se, you know. At least under these</p> <p>14 circumstances.</p> <p>15 So I want to get into 3a and 3b which I think are</p> <p>16 probably going to be the most -- maybe the most difficult in</p> <p>17 a sense and because the distinction there is you've got -- as</p> <p>18 least as we understand it -- you've got a candidate, not as</p> <p>19 we understand it -- or we don't have any facts I don't think</p> <p>20 that say that this person is in office now.</p> <p>21 We have a -- one ad says do you -- "Where do your</p> <p>22 candidates stand on education funding?"</p> <p>23 And it says: "Candidate John Doe supports spending</p> <p>24 tax dollars on private schools and ski passes."</p> <p>25 And then the text is: "John Doe, candidate for</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>   | <p style="text-align: right;">21</p> <p>1 LD31 supports Arizona's universal school voucher program,</p> <p>2 which costs the State X number of dollars. Doe opposes</p> <p>3 efforts to add oversight or prevent misuse of funds and</p> <p>4 describes himself as an outspoken school-of-choice advocate."</p> <p>5 The next ad is essentially the same text, except</p> <p>6 instead of saying "do you know where your candidates stand?"</p> <p>7 It just says "John Doe" right? And then -- and then</p> <p>8 essentially the same -- the same facts other than that.</p> <p>9 So first -- you know, so, so that gets back to this</p> <p>10 issue of we try to capture in the first line around the</p> <p>11 action on the candidacy. I think if I read the -- the sort</p> <p>12 of the letter from -- the request letter correctly, I think</p> <p>13 the focus there is on the word "candidate" maybe -- and I'm</p> <p>14 probably oversimplifying, so I will -- you know, John and</p> <p>15 Emma can obviously flush that out from their perspective.</p> <p>16 But, you know, from our perspective it sort of</p> <p>17 comes down to we didn't think the word "candidate" alone is</p> <p>18 enough. In part because, you know, you're -- you're taking a</p> <p>19 particular -- first of all, person -- there's no public</p> <p>20 policy this person has engaged upon in terms of their actual</p> <p>21 activities. And, indeed, you're not -- like some of the</p> <p>22 other ads that we said were not campaign media spending in</p> <p>23 our 24.03, you're not saying calling anybody or talk about</p> <p>24 anything, or there's not a call to action along those lines.</p> <p>25 And then it's sort of taking the -- the -- a thing</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>1 that exists is, in fact, right, that people can spend, and</p> <p>2 have apparently spent money, these monies, on private schools</p> <p>3 and -- and ski passes, and then you're -- and then you're --</p> <p>4 and you're leading with that, you know, you know, as -- as --</p> <p>5 as a thing that is -- you know, that is -- that is negative.</p> <p>6 So, you know, we -- we felt comfortable that this</p> <p>7 represented an attack if you take -- when you take those</p> <p>8 things together.</p> <p>9 The -- we -- I think to some extent maybe that the</p> <p>10 language in 24.03 that talked about action on candidacy, I</p> <p>11 think if you read that in context, it's juxtaposing that in</p> <p>12 reference to a candidate. We didn't see this was a reference</p> <p>13 to a candidate; this is an action on a candidate.</p> <p>14 So there's a sentence in 24.03 that I may -- and</p> <p>15 maybe I'm wrong about that -- but if it was ambiguous, if</p> <p>16 that's if I'm right, that's a thing that's I think that if</p> <p>17 you really read that sentence is juxtaposing reference to</p> <p>18 action, and the action here is the attack.</p> <p>19 And -- and I -- I know, I think that if you look</p> <p>20 at -- I do think that CJF, the Committee on Justice and</p> <p>21 Fairness case is relevant here, because of if you look at how</p> <p>22 that sets up what constitutes an attack, for lack of a better</p> <p>23 way of putting it, in that context. So that's where that is.</p> <p>24 4, so you got a state rep. Backlash. Introduced</p> <p>25 the bill that has their -- that -- they that -- they claim is</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>1 a conflict of interest on. You know, that's -- that's a --</p> <p>2 again, we felt that in contrast to 3a, but b falls into the</p> <p>3 category of, you know -- I try not to use this word, but</p> <p>4 issue advocacy.</p> <p>5 And -- and then finally we get to publication 5 --</p> <p>6 or public Communication 5. The report shows that Rep Jacobs</p> <p>7 failed to file taxes on time.</p> <p>8 You know, we -- we are assuming -- I guess, you</p> <p>9 know, and if we're wrong about this assumption, obviously we</p> <p>10 need to clarify that, but I -- we're assuming Rep Jacobs is</p> <p>11 running for office. We're assuming people would know that,</p> <p>12 and -- and we're assuming that, you know, that new report</p> <p>13 shows that Rep Jacobs failed to file his taxes on time.</p> <p>14 I mean, I just -- I don't want to overcomplicate</p> <p>15 this. If you saw an ad that said, you know, you know,</p> <p>16 "Councilman Jones doesn't pay his parking tickets," and the</p> <p>17 tag line was "Shouldn't you pay or shouldn't everyone pay</p> <p>18 their parking tickets?" I would just think that any -- a</p> <p>19 reasonable person, certainly a person that enacted this would</p> <p>20 believe this was attack ad. I think that's -- I think this</p> <p>21 was pretty straightforward in that way.</p> <p>22 So that's kind of where we ended up in evaluating</p> <p>23 this. I think that's pretty much it.</p> <p>24 Is that it? Yeah.</p> <p>25 So if you 'all have question for me, I'm happy to</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>1 answer them. And then, you know, John and Emma submitted</p> <p>2 this on behalf of Fair Democracy, so I'm sure they have --</p> <p>3 maybe they have insight that they can share, so.</p> <p>4 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Thank you, Tom.</p> <p>5 We'll get to the representatives of Fair Democracy</p> <p>6 in just a second. Do any members of the Commissioners have</p> <p>7 any comments or questions of Tom?</p> <p>8 (No response.)</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Hearing none, we have</p> <p>10 Jonathan Berkon and Emily [verbatim] Anspach, the counsel for</p> <p>11 Fair Democracy today.</p> <p>12 Do either or both of you have comments about Tom's</p> <p>13 conclusions?</p> <p>14 MR. BERKON: I think, thanks to the Commission</p> <p>15 and to Mr. Collins for your thoughtful assessment of this.</p> <p>16 You know, our goal in seeking this is try to get</p> <p>17 clarity for our client in where the lines are with the</p> <p>18 standard that, you know, understandably on its face doesn't</p> <p>19 always provide that clarity, so.</p> <p>20 You know, I think we -- we view this draft opinion</p> <p>21 as providing distinctions that we can understand between and</p> <p>22 among these ads, which is sort of, you know, what we were --</p> <p>23 were seeking in asking for this opinion.</p> <p>24 So beyond that, unless you have anything else,</p> <p>25 Emma, I don't think we have any additional comments. But we</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>   | <p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>1 are here to answer any questions that the -- the Commission</p> <p>2 may have.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Mr. Berkon.</p> <p>4 Ms. Anspach, do you have any other comments to</p> <p>5 make?</p> <p>6 MS. ANSPACH: No, I don't have anything else</p> <p>7 to add. Thank you.</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay, thank you.</p> <p>9 Do any members of the Commission have any questions</p> <p>10 for the representatives of Fair Democracy?</p> <p>11 (No response.)</p> <p>12 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: So Commissioners, what is</p> <p>13 your preference?</p> <p>14 We can approve the advisory opinion; we can say</p> <p>15 that we -- we're unable to reach a conclusion -- whether we</p> <p>16 agree with Tom's conclusion or not. We can schedule another</p> <p>17 meeting before July 8th.</p> <p>18 Any preference from members of the Commission?</p> <p>19 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I mean -- Mr. Chair,</p> <p>20 I'm comfortable --</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Werther.</p> <p>22 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: -- approving today</p> <p>23 seeing as it, you know, I reviewed this as well, that, you</p> <p>24 know, that Tom provided, the analysis, and that I think the</p> <p>25 fact that the requester I think also would accept it. I</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC<br/>www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>   |

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| <p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>1 mean, I'm more inclined to just go ahead and approve it and</p> <p>2 provide that clarity that they're seeking sooner rather than</p> <p>3 later.</p> <p>4 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: So just to be clear, you're</p> <p>5 making a motion to approve the advisory opinion?</p> <p>6 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I -- I can. I didn't</p> <p>7 know if anybody else wanted to weigh in before --</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Oh.</p> <p>9 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: -- I made a motion.</p> <p>10 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: I didn't mean to misstate</p> <p>11 your position.</p> <p>12 COMMISSIONER PATON: I would make a comment.</p> <p>13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>14 COMMISSIONER PATON: I would just say that as</p> <p>15 being a nonlawyer, I mean, it makes sense and -- and I think</p> <p>16 we have to have lines so that everybody knows what the --</p> <p>17 the -- the game rules are. And so it makes it easier --</p> <p>18 because we're going to have to be the umpire down the road or</p> <p>19 whatever, and -- and I think these make things fairly simple</p> <p>20 to figure out.</p> <p>21 And so I would be happy with these as well.</p> <p>22 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you.</p> <p>23 So do we have a motion how we want to proceed on</p> <p>24 this?</p> <p>25 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Mr. Chair, I move to</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>  | <p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>1 approve the advisory opinion requested by Fair Democracy as</p> <p>2 provided and discussed today by the Executive Director.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner</p> <p>4 Werther.</p> <p>5 Is there is a second?</p> <p>6 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second.</p> <p>7 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: It's been moved and seconded</p> <p>8 that we approve the advisory opinion.</p> <p>9 I will call the roll.</p> <p>10 Commissioner Werther.</p> <p>11 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye.</p> <p>12 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton.</p> <p>13 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Chan.</p> <p>15 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye.</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Chair votes aye.</p> <p>17 The advisory opinion is approved 4-to-nothing.</p> <p>18 Thank you both for coming today and we appreciate</p> <p>19 your feedback.</p> <p>20 MR. BERKON: Thank you very much.</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you.</p> <p>22 Item V, discussion and possible action on the</p> <p>23 Five-Year Review Report for submission to the Governor's</p> <p>24 Regulatory Review Council.</p> <p>25 Somehow or another five years have gone by and we</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p>  |
| <p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>1 have a report due to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council</p> <p>2 regarding -- regarding our rules under the Clean Elections</p> <p>3 Act.</p> <p>4 Tom, is there anything to add here?</p> <p>5 MR. COLLINS: I -- I think the only -- the --</p> <p>6 as I mentioned in my memo I think the main -- the main thing</p> <p>7 we want to be clear is we my have some changes we have to</p> <p>8 make to finalize it. And there may be some feedback from</p> <p>9 GRRC. When you submit, typically they give you some</p> <p>10 editorial feedback on stuff that you missed or things.</p> <p>11 So, you know, we -- we do -- you know, in -- we do</p> <p>12 want authority to finalize what we do. So that, you know, so</p> <p>13 if it doesn't turn out to be verbatim what we've got in front</p> <p>14 of you, that we have some flexibility there.</p> <p>15 Obviously, if there was something serious, we'll</p> <p>16 bring that back to you. But -- but that was one thing I</p> <p>17 wanted to make sure.</p> <p>18 The other thing is we have -- for the purpose of</p> <p>19 this draft, we have interpreted negative communication -- or</p> <p>20 written criticism broadly just to be on the safe side. And</p> <p>21 what that means is that, you know, some of the -- we have</p> <p>22 some litigation that's not necessarily criticism of the rule,</p> <p>23 but actually an effort to say a rule is invalid. And we have</p> <p>24 had some criticism of -- of the application of the rule</p> <p>25 really rather than necessarily the -- the rule itself and so</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>1 those are there.</p> <p>2 And I -- and, again, I highlight that part because</p> <p>3 I think -- I think that what GRRC is looking for is written</p> <p>4 criticism that you received in the course of doing the rule</p> <p>5 making or a letter that said, "Hey, you should tweak this."</p> <p>6 But, you know, nevertheless, but to be on the safe side, we</p> <p>7 wanted to be -- we wanted to include those things.</p> <p>8 So I think that's the only other -- that's the</p> <p>9 only -- oh. And the last thing, sorry.</p> <p>10 This doesn't include Article VIII of our rules</p> <p>11 which is the GRRC rules because those are not subject to GRRC</p> <p>12 review.</p> <p>13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: So just to be clear, you're</p> <p>14 looking -- you're asking us to approve the response that you</p> <p>15 have provided to us to the Governor's Regulatory Review</p> <p>16 Council?</p> <p>17 MR. COLLINS: Yes, correct.</p> <p>18 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Okay. Do we have a motion</p> <p>19 to that effect?</p> <p>20 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Mr. Chair, I move to</p> <p>21 finalize and submit the Commission's Five-Year Rule Review</p> <p>22 Report.</p> <p>23 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner</p> <p>24 Werther.</p> <p>25 Is there a second?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miller Certified Reporting, LLC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.MillerCertifiedReporting.com</p> |

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1 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second.  
2 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Thank you, Commissioner  
3 Paton.  
4 It's been moved and seconded that we approve the  
5 report to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council.  
6 I'll call the roll.  
7 Commissioner Chan.  
8 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye.  
9 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Werther.  
10 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye.  
11 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton.  
12 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.  
13 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Chair votes aye. The motion  
14 is approved 4-to-nothing.  
15 Item VI, public comment. This is the time for  
16 consideration of comments and suggestions from the public.  
17 Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to  
18 directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the  
19 matter for further consideration or decision at a later date  
20 or responding to criticism.  
21 If anyone has any comments, please limit to your  
22 comment to more than -- to no more than two minutes.  
23 Is there any member of the public wishing to make a  
24 comment at this time?  
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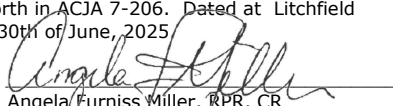
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1 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: No one in the room.  
2 Anyone on Zoom?  
3 (No response.)  
4 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Appears not.  
5 Public may also send comments to the Commission by  
6 e-mail at CCEC@azcleelections.gov.  
7 At this time I would entertain a motion to adjourn.  
8 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: I move to adjourn.  
9 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Is there a second?  
10 COMMISSIONER PATON: I'll second.  
11 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: It's been moved and seconded  
12 that we adjourn.  
13 I'll call the roll.  
14 Commissioner Chan.  
15 COMMISSIONER CHAN: Aye.  
16 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Werther.  
17 COMMISSIONER WERTHER: Aye.  
18 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Commissioner Paton.  
19 COMMISSIONER PATON: Aye.  
20 CHAIRMAN KIMBLE: Chair votes aye.  
21 We are adjourned. Thank you.  
22 (Proceeding concludes at 10:39 a.m.)  
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15 thereof.  
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**CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT  
August 28, 2025**

**Announcements:**

- Gina graduated from the prestigious Certified Elections/Registration Administrator (CERA) program through the national Election Center and Auburn University. CERA certification represents a top national achievement held by just 8 percent of election officials across the U.S. Congratulations to Gina!
- The CD7 Special General Election is September 23. Early voting began August 27. The Clean Elections debate between Democratic nominee Adelita Grijalva and Republican nominee Daniel Butierez was August 26.
- Other local elections will take place November 4. Alec is working coordinating with county officials to update our website. Currently, several jurisdictions are having an election, including several school districts.
- In Maricopa County voters will decide Proposition 409, a measure to approve a close to \$900 million bond issue for capital improvements to the county's health system, including a behavioral health hospital.

**Voter Education and Outreach:**

- Avery presented on Media Literacy & Voter Education at the Project Community Summer Institute to educators from across the U.S. (Presentations & Trainings)
- Collaborated with Jerry McPherson, Executive Director of the Arizona African American Legislative Council, on a voter education video series ahead of the CD7 Primary. (Collaborations & Partnerships)
- Avery completed mentoring sessions with mentee from Nigeria focused on public administration and policy impact. (Mentorship & Workgroups)
- Held a Voter Outreach Workgroup Meeting with the counties and city clerk's offices to collaborate and share resources to increase impact. (Mentorship & Workgroups)
- Avery met with Emma Burns from Campus Select/Fair Elections Center to collaborate on fall outreach. (Collaborations & Partnerships)
- Met with Tempe City Clerks Lara DeArrastia and Mike Sims to discuss collaboration on public events. (Collaborations & Partnerships)
- Avery presented at this year's Election Officer Training by the AZSOS. (Presentations & Trainings)
- Avery met with Mohave County Recorder's Office Voter Outreach Coordinator to discuss youth engagement and young voter outreach strategies. (Collaborations & Partnerships)
- Gina attended the annual conference for the Election Center.
- Tom, Avery, and Gina attended the Arizona Center for Civic Leadership's annual convention for Flinn-Brown Fellows.
- Tom and Gina met with Arizona Talks on potential collaborations.
- Tom and Gina recorded several podcast episodes, most recently with Professor Justin Levitt to discuss redistricting.

## **Legal:**

- Center for Arizona Policy v. Arizona Secretary of State, Arizona Supreme Court No. CV-24-0295-PR.
  - The Court accepted the Petition for Review and the case is set for oral argument September 11, 2025. This is a state constitutional challenge to Proposition 211.
- Americans for Prosperity v. Meyer, No. 24-2933 (9th Cir.).
  - Pending at the Ninth Circuit following May Oral Argument.
- Montenegro v. Fontes, Arizona Supreme Court No. CV-24-0166-PR.
  - This case is pending a decision from the Arizona Supreme Court.
- 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. Briefing on the Defense Motion for Summary Judgement in CV2021-015826 is complete.
- Branch et al. v. Collins, et al., CV2024-004136 in Superior Court for Maricopa County. Briefing on the Defendant's Motion to Dismiss complete.

**Other legal:** The Attorney General's issued an opinion addressing the MVD Glitch voters, that is voters who should have been asked to provide additional documentary proof of citizenship, but had new licenses issued by MVD. The new license dates meant that election officials were not prompted to ask for the additional evidence. The opinion essentially holds these voters harmless. Counties are evaluating next steps.  
<https://www.azag.gov/opinions/i25-007-r25-009>.

The Secretary of State is accepting public comment on the 2025 Elections Procedures Manual. The comment period ends at 5 p.m. August 31. The Secretary must submit the EPM for Attorney General review and the Governor's approval by October 1.  
[https://apps.azsos.gov/public\\_services/register/2025/27/contents.pdf](https://apps.azsos.gov/public_services/register/2025/27/contents.pdf).

A number of different cases relating to the EPM are in litigation. The Arizona Supreme Court accepted a petition for review asking that it reverse a court of appeals decision that held that the Arizona Procedures Act, which controls most rule-making procedures in state government, applies to the EPM.

## **Appointments:**

- Staff continues to monitor appointments, and direct interested applicants to the appropriate officials.



### **Complaints:**

- MUR 24-01, Barnett
- MUR 24-05, Roberts
- MUR 24-07, Arizona Solutions PAC. Closed, please see attached report.
- MUR 25-01, Jaramillo, this agenda
- MUR 25-02, Abeytia, this agenda
- 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 Governor's Regulatory Review Council had its study session regarding the Commission's Five-Year Rule Review. Commission staff received no questions at that session. A voting session is scheduled for September 2.

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

- Notice of Docket Opening: 31 A.A.R. 2255 (revision and addition of funding rules), [https://apps.azsos.gov/public\\_services/register/2025/27/contents.pdf](https://apps.azsos.gov/public_services/register/2025/27/contents.pdf).
- Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 31 A.A.R. 2141 (revision and addition of funding rules), [https://apps.azsos.gov/public\\_services/register/2025/27/contents.pdf](https://apps.azsos.gov/public_services/register/2025/27/contents.pdf).
- Federal funds for proposed rulemaking: **None**
- Review of existing rules: **Five Year Report Pending**
- Notice of Final Rulemaking: **None.**
- Rulemakings terminated: **None.**
- Privatization option or nontraditional regulatory approach considered: **None Applicable.**

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**Via E-Mail**

August 7, 2025

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**MUR 24-07 Arizona Solutions PAC**

Dear Mr. Herrera, Ms. Anderson, and Mr. Marshall:

I am writing to notify you that I have dismissed this Complaint and provide the report required by Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-811(F).

The Complaint

The Complaint arose from a claim of incomplete disclosures on public communications and filings. The Complaint alleges that the Committee violated the Arizona Voters' Right to Know Act (VRKA or the Act) by failing to disclose the original source of its campaign funding, listing only Greater Phoenix Leadership as the source of an \$800,000 contribution. It also alleges that the Committee failed file comply with reporting requirements and did not update its disclaimer. Finally, the complaint cites numerous campaign materials—including a website, mailers, and digital ads—that it argues omit the legally required disclosure of the top three original donors.

## The Response

Arizona Solutions PAC says the complaint has no merit and should be dismissed. It argues that it followed the law by including funding information in its regular reports and used the format recommended by the Secretary of State, noting that there were no original donors over \$5,000 to report. The PAC also says it filed complete and readable reports, that any display issues were resulting from the reporting system, and that its disclaimers followed the rules because no qualifying donors needed to be listed.

## Additional information

Clean Elections staff reviewed publicly available records related to Greater Phoenix Leadership, Inc., an Arizona nonprofit corporation that claims a tax exemption as a 501(c)(6) organization, including available Form 990 filings. “Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code provides for the exemption of business leagues, chambers of commerce, real estate boards, boards of trade and professional football leagues.” Internal Revenue Service, Business Leagues (Jan. 30, 2025), <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/other-non-profits/business-leagues> (discussing lobbying and political activities). In order to be exempt, such organizations are “must receive meaningful membership support.” Internal Revenue Service, Requirements for Exemption: Business League, IRS (Jan. 30, 2025), <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/other-non-profits/requirements-for-exemption-business-league>.

Under VRKA, membership dues may be “business income” A.R.S. § 16-971(1)(b) (“Business income” includes “[m]embership or union dues that do not exceed \$5,000 from any one person in a calendar year.”). Using an organization’s business income for public communications could be subject to disclosure under A.R.S. 16-974(c) as original monies.

The PAC explained that Greater Phoenix Leadership membership dues exceed \$5,000 and that the organization’s donation was an aggregation of money from others assessed to be below the threshold for reporting the identities of those donors on a report or in a disclaimer.

Staff also confirmed that the PAC amended its report after the Complaint to note that Greater Phoenix Leadership was an intermediary.

## Conclusion

I have not reviewed evidence that would substantiate the Complaint that the PAC had additional donor disclosure obligations as the Complaint asserts.

I would emphasize that, in response to a required request from a covered person, the person to whom the request is directed “must inform that covered person in writing, within ten days after receiving a written request from the covered person, of the identity of each other person that directly or indirectly contributed more than \$2,500 in original monies being transferred *and* the amount of each other person's original monies being transferred.” A.R.S. § 16-972(D).

The Complaint is dismissed.

Thank you for your response in this matter. This letter, along with the Complaint and Response will be made available to the Commission as part of the Executive Director’s Report at the next regular Commission meeting.

Sincerely,

S/ Thomas M. Collins

cc: Ryan O’Daniel (complainant)



October 24, 2024

Clean Elections Commission  
C/O Tom Collins  
1110 W Washington St  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of multiple Arizona candidates, I am filing a formal complaint against "Arizona Solutions PAC", [ref] Committee #101746 ("Committee), for the following:

1. Failure to provide the original source of campaign funding. The Committee has not only failed to file the initial Arizona Voter's Right to Know Act disclosing the original source of funds, but in the course of their campaign finance reporting, fails to disclose the original source of funds other than "Greater Phoenix Leadership". So even if the initial VRKA reporting was properly completed, sourcing the original funds as \$800,000 from Greater Phoenix Leadership flies in the face of the reporting requirement under the Arizona Voter's Right to Know Act.
2. The Committee has failed to properly file the required VRKA supplemental filings (see attached: Arizona\_Solutions\_PAC Ex 1, Arizona\_Solutions\_PAC Ex 2) as the Recipient and Amount of Disbursement are not visible on the filed copies; and
3. The egregious failure to properly disclaim all of the associated campaign material that have been distributed. Examples included are the PAC website (accessed: <https://www.ld4voterguide.org/>), various mail pieces (see "Havoc" attached), and digital ads created by the committee (screenshot "YouTube Video" attached). The disclaimer discloses the committee name only, but fails to comply with VRKA requirements to list the top three donors from the original source of the campaign funding - which was also never reported.

The initial amount reported to the Committee was \$800,000, and their most recent filing shows they have \$276,432.04 available, far exceeding the threshold for reporting and updating the Committee disclaimer.

The Commission should consider the presumed intentional failure to abide by existing statute, not only in the initial filing required by law, but for each additional supplemental violation. Given the overwhelming monetary amount of contributions and expenditures by the committee, length of existence/operation in Arizona, and sophistication of the 'Committee', the Commission cannot accept ignorance as an excuse to file the statutorily required reports.

Please take appropriate action against the 'Committee' immediately. It is critical that dark money, and out-of-state special interests, reveal the original source of their funding under the Arizona Voter's Right to Know Act *and* properly disclose their campaign disclaimer so the public has visibility into the activity of mega-donors impacting candidates for local office.



Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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**VERIFICATION**

State of Arizona )  
 ) ss.  
County of Maricopa )

I, Ryan O'Daniel, state that I have read the foregoing complaint and know the contents thereof by personal knowledge. I know the allegations of the complaint to be true, except any matters therein on information and belief, which I believe to be true.

Signed under penalty of perjury this 24th day of October, 2024.

Ryan O'Daniel  
[Name]

[Signature]  
[Signature]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

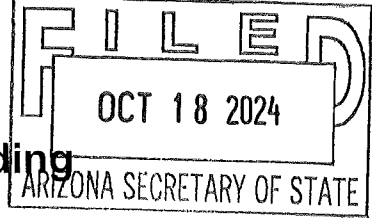
Karin Vazquez  
Notary Public Name

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My Commission Expires: 04/30/2027



# Voters Right to Know Act Supplemental Report: Campaign Media Spending



A covered person must file a supplemental report within three days after spending or accepting in-kind contributions for campaign media spending totaling an additional \$25,000 or more on statewide campaigns or an additional \$15,000 or more during an election cycle on local campaigns pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-973(B).

## Covered Person<sup>1</sup> Reporting Campaign Media Spending

|  |   |
|--|---|
| In the case of an entity:                            | Arizona Solutions PAC                               |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     | 4340 E Indian School Rd STE 21-203 Phoenix AZ 85018 |
| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

## Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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<sup>2</sup> Includes any entity established, financed, maintained or controlled by the person who owns or controls the traceable monies and maintains its own transfer records and that entity's relationship to the covered person. A.R.S. § 16-973(2).

### Custodian of Transfer Records

Name: The Money Wheel

Mailing address: PO BOX 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060

Position: Compliance

### Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>

Name: Eric Chalmers

Mailing address: 4455 E Camelback Road, STE D145

Position with Covered Person: Principal

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | 323,901.34 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|

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<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

<sup>4</sup> Provide the total amount of traceable monies owned or controlled by the covered person on the date the report is made. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(5). Traceable monies are monies that have been given, loaned or promised to be given to a covered person and for which no donor has opted out of their use or transfer for campaign media spending pursuant to A.R.S. §16-972 and monies used to pay for in-kind contributions to a covered person to enable campaign media spending. A.R.S. § 16-971(18).



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**Intermediaries<sup>6</sup>**

| Intermediary | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date | Source |
|--------------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|--------|
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<sup>6</sup> The identity of each person that acted as an intermediary and that transferred, in whole or in part, traceable monies of more than \$5,000 from original sources to the covered person and the date, amount and source, both original and intermediate, of the transferred monies. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(7).

| Amount of Disbursement | Amount of Disbursement | Mailing Address   | Occupation (Individual/Federal Tax Status (Entity)) | Employer (Individual/State of Incorporation, Partnership, or Registration) | Date       | In Support or Opposition of Candidate or Ballot Measure |
|------------------------|------------------------|---|---|--|------------|---|
|                        |                        |   | Consultant  | AZ   |            | Support: Prop 139                                       |
| egies                  | \$2,679.04             | 4540 11th Ave<br>Phoenix AZ 85013<br>USA                  | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| egies                  | \$4,020.00             | 4540 11th Ave<br>Phoenix AZ 85013<br>USA                  | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
| egies                  | \$4,020.00             | 4540 11th Ave<br>Phoenix AZ 85013<br>USA                  | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| egies                  | \$3,235.84             | 4540 11th Ave<br>Phoenix AZ 85013<br>USA                  | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Oppose: Shawna Bolick                                   |
| egies                  | \$101.98               | 4540 11th Ave<br>Phoenix AZ 85013<br>USA                  | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
| egies                  | \$589.36               | 4540 11th Ave<br>Phoenix AZ 85013<br>USA                  | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| ctive Digital          | \$15,000.00            | 920 Swedesford<br>Road, Lower<br>Gwynedd, PA<br>19002 USA | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/17/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
| ctive Digital          | \$15,000.00            | 920 Swedesford<br>Road, Lower<br>Gwynedd, PA<br>19002 USA | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/17/2024 | Oppose: Justin Heap                                     |
| rinting                | \$823.08               | 338 E Tuckey Ln<br>Phoenix AZ 85012                       | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/18/2024 | Oppose: Carine Werner                                   |

**Major Donors<sup>9</sup>**

Major Contributor's Name:

Mailing address:

Position:

**I CERTIFY, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THE CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEVE IF IT TRUE AND COMPLETE.**

Filer Name: Jorge Badillo

Signature: 

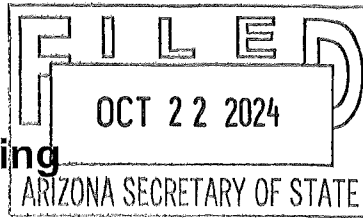
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<sup>9</sup> Any person whose total contributions of traceable monies to the covered person constituted more than half of the traceable monies of the covered person at the start of the election cycle. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(9)

# Voters Right to Know Act

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| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

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|  |  |
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| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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**Custodian of Transfer Records**

|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:            | The Money Wheel                 |
| Mailing address: | PO BOX 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060 |
| Position:        | Compliance                      |

**Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>**

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                   |
| Mailing address:              | 4455 E Camelback Road, STE D145 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                       |

**Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>**

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$276,432.04 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|

<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

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| Donor | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date |
|-------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|
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|--------------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|--------|
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|------------------------|------------------------|--|---|--|------------|---|
|                        |                        |  | Consultant  | AZ   |            | Support: Prop 139                                       |
|                        | \$933.96               | 638 W Indian School Rd, Phoenix AZ 85013 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/21/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| ications LLC           | \$2,240.00             | 423 E 9th St Tucson AZ 85705             | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/21/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
| ications LLC           | \$960.00               | 423 E 9th St Tucson AZ 85705             | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/21/2024 | Oppose: Joel Navarro                                    |
|                        | \$296.34               | 638 W Indian School Rd, Phoenix AZ 85013 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/22/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
|                        | \$296.34               | 638 W Indian School Rd, Phoenix AZ 85013 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/22/2024 | Oppose: Justin Heap                                     |
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Filer Name: Jorge Badillo

Signature:

Date: 10/22/2024

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# Please Support



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October 24, 2024

Clean Elections Commission  
C/O Tom Collins  
1110 W Washington St  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of multiple Arizona candidates, I am filing a formal complaint against "Arizona Solutions PAC", [ref] Committee #101746 ("Committee), for the following:

1. Failure to provide the original source of campaign funding. The Committee has not only failed to file the initial Arizona Voter's Right to Know Act disclosing the original source of funds, but in the course of their campaign finance reporting, fails to disclose the original source of funds other than "Greater Phoenix Leadership". So even if the initial VRKA reporting was properly completed, sourcing the original funds as \$800,000 from Greater Phoenix Leadership flies in the face of the reporting requirement under the Arizona Voter's Right to Know Act.
2. The Committee has failed to properly file the required VRKA supplemental filings (see attached: Arizona\_Solutions\_PAC Ex 1, Arizona\_Solutions\_PAC Ex 2) as the Recipient and Amount of Disbursement are not visible on the filed copies; and
3. The egregious failure to properly disclaim all of the associated campaign material that have been distributed. Examples included are the PAC website (accessed: <https://www.ld4voterguide.org/>), various mail pieces (see "Havoc" attached), and digital ads created by the committee (screenshot "YouTube Video" attached). The disclaimer discloses the committee name only, but fails to comply with VRKA requirements to list the top three donors from the original source of the campaign funding - which was also never reported.

The initial amount reported to the Committee was \$800,000, and their most recent filing shows they have \$276,432.04 available, far exceeding the threshold for reporting and updating the Committee disclaimer.

The Commission should consider the presumed intentional failure to abide by existing statute, not only in the initial filing required by law, but for each additional supplemental violation. Given the overwhelming monetary amount of contributions and expenditures by the committee, length of existence/operation in Arizona, and sophistication of the 'Committee', the Commission cannot accept ignorance as an excuse to file the statutorily required reports.

Please take appropriate action against the 'Committee' immediately. It is critical that dark money, and out-of-state special interests, reveal the original source of their funding under the Arizona Voter's Right to Know Act *and* properly disclose their campaign disclaimer so the public has visibility into the activity of mega-donors impacting candidates for local office.



Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ryan O'Daniel  
(602) 332-2039  
[RyanO@Intrepidaz.com](mailto:RyanO@Intrepidaz.com)

**VERIFICATION**

State of Arizona )  
 ) ss.  
County of Maricopa )

I, Ryan O'Daniel, state that I have read the foregoing complaint and know the contents thereof by personal knowledge. I know the allegations of the complaint to be true, except any matters therein on information and belief, which I believe to be true.

Signed under penalty of perjury this 24th day of October, 2024.

Ryan O'Daniel  
[Name]

[Signature]  
[Signature]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

Karin Vazquez  
Notary Public Name

[Signature]  
[Signature]

My Commission Expires: 04/30/2027



November 25, 2024

*Via Email* (ccec@azcleelections.gov)

Thomas M. Collins  
Citizens Clean Elections Commission  
1110 W. Washington Street, Suite 250  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: MUR 24-07 – Response to Complaint

Dear Mr. Collins:

This firm represents Arizona Solutions PAC (the “PAC”) and writes in response to MUR 24-07 and the complaint filed on October 24, 2024 (the “Complaint”). This response is accompanied by a declaration of Jorge Badillo (“Badillo Decl.”), the PAC’s treasurer, and its contents are verified by Lisa Hoberg, the PAC’s Chairperson.

No further action should be taken on the Complaint because its allegations are meritless. Each is addressed in turn below and in Mr. Badillo’s attached declaration.

**I. The PAC’s Initial Report is Complete and Accurate.**

The complaint alleges that the PAC failed to file its initial Voter’s Right to Know Act (“VRKA”) report. But A.R.S. § 16-973 allows a PAC to satisfy its VRKA reporting requirements by: “

*filing the periodic campaign finance reports as required by law for political action committees . . . provided that the disclosures required by this section are included in those periodic reports, including the requirement to identify the original sources of traceable monies . . . and any intermediaries who transferred, directly or indirectly, more than \$5,000 in traceable monies to the covered person during the election cycle.*

A.R.S. § 16-973(I) (emphasis added).

The PAC included its initial VRKA activity on its regularly scheduled Q3 PAC report, in compliance with A.R.S. § 16-973. This report is publicly available on the Secretary's campaign finance webpage.<sup>1</sup>

The complaint next argues that the PAC's disclosure of its contribution sources was inadequate, but the PAC formatted its report as instructed by the Secretary's campaign finance staff. Badillo Decl. ¶ 4. Because the normal PAC report form does not contain a field to list VRKA-specific information, staff instructed the PAC to list its original sources and intermediaries on the report's memo line. *Id.* Accordingly, the PAC reported a contribution of \$800,000 from Committee for Arizona Leadership, and in turn listed on the memo line an entity intermediary (Greater Phoenix Leadership) and indicated that there are no original sources subject to disclosure.<sup>2</sup>

The PAC made a diligent effort to provide as much information as possible on the report form provided by the Secretary, and complied fully with A.R.S. § 16-973, the Commission's rules, and technical instructions from the Secretary's staff.

## **II. The PAC Filed All Required Supplemental Reports.**

The complaint alleges that the PAC "failed to properly file the required VRKA supplemental filings" because certain fields are not visible on the as-filed copies. While it appears that certain portions of the supplemental reports are illegible on the Secretary of State's website, this is through no fault of the PAC, which submitted full and legible supplemental reports—original copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit B. *See* Badillo Decl. ¶¶ 6-7. All reports were submitted in accordance with directions from the Secretary's office, and any error in formatting or display occurred *after* the PAC submitted its reports online. *Id.*

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<sup>1</sup> <https://seethemoney.az.gov/PublicReports/2024/E14977FF-238A-4A96-8DC9-281EABDED3B0.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> The original version of the PAC's Q3 report inadvertently listed Greater Phoenix Leadership as the contributor, rather than the intermediary. Badillo Decl. ¶ 5. A revised and correct version of the report is now available online and is attached here as Exhibit A. As explained further in Section III herein, there were no VRKA original sources to list in the memo line. *See* Badillo Decl. ¶ 8.

### **III. The Disclaimer on the PAC's Mailers Complies with the Commission's Guidance.**

The disclaimer on the mailer at issue in the Complaint was formatted in accordance with the Commission's rules, which require "[p]ublic communications by covered persons shall state the names of the top three donors who directly or indirectly made the three largest contributions of original monies in excess of \$5,000 for the election cycle and who have not opted out." R2-20-805(B).

The Commission interpreted this rule in its Advisory Opinion 2024-06 and instructed Covered Persons to include "the names of the top three original donors of monies," because "the best reading [of] A.R.S. § 16-974(C) is that the disclosure reaches the original source of donations over the threshold of the VRKA even if that leaves intermediaries undisclosed on public communications." Thus, in a situation where an intermediary entity has no original donors over \$5,000 to disclose, neither the intermediary nor any original donor will appear on the disclaimer. *See* AO 2024-06 at 10.

Here, the PAC's donor (Committee for Arizona Leadership) identified an entity intermediary (Greater Phoenix Leadership) and no original source donors over \$5,000. *See* Badillo Decl. at ¶¶ 5, 8. Accordingly, the PAC did not need to identify any donors in its ad disclaimer.

Please let me know if we can provide any further information on behalf of the PAC.

Sincerely,



Roy Herrera



## VERIFICATION

State of Arizona

County of Maricopa

I, Lisa Hoberg, state that I am Chairperson of Arizona Solutions PAC. I have read the foregoing response and know the contents thereof to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Lisa M Hoberg

Lisa Hoberg

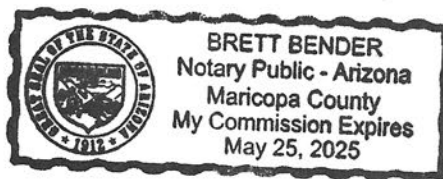
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024.

BRETT BENDER

Notary Public Name

B. B.

Notary Public Signature



My Commission Expires: MAY 25, 2025

## Declaration of Jorge Badillo

I, Jorge Badillo, declare as follows:

1. I serve as treasurer for Arizona Solutions PAC (Committee No. 101746) (the “PAC”). I served as the PAC’s treasurer since its founding and during all times relevant to the complaint submitted in MUR 24-07 (the “Complaint”).
2. In my role as Treasurer, I prepared all the PAC’s campaign finance reports.
3. I am familiar with the requirements of the Voter’s Right to Know Act (“VRKA”) and I acted diligently in complying with all such requirements on behalf of the PAC. Further, I am familiar with Arizona campaign finance law as applicable to the PAC, and I acted diligently in complying with its requirements.
4. I prepared and filed the PAC’s 2024 Q3 report, which includes its initial VRKA disclosures. Staff of the Secretary of State’s office has instructed me to include VRKA intermediary and original source information in the “memo” line of PAC reports because there is nowhere else to include that required information on a regular PAC report.
5. On the PAC’s Q3 report (its initial VRKA report), I inadvertently listed Greater Phoenix Leadership as a *contributor* to the PAC, rather than an *entity intermediary* for VRKA purposes. I have since amended the PAC’s report to correct this clerical error.
6. I prepared and filed the PAC’s VRKA supplemental reports. While the Secretary of State’s office has provided a PDF to use for such reports, the

document is not functional. Instead, I use an Excel spreadsheet to list the PAC's VRKA income and expenditures. My colleagues and I then convert any such spreadsheet to PDF and send it to the Secretary's office for upload to the Secretary's public website.

7. I prepared and submitted the PAC's supplemental VRKA reports in accordance with this process. When I submitted the reports, they were fully legible. I am unaware of any reason why the reports would contain illegible information on the Secretary's public website.
8. There were no original source donors to list on the PAC's initial or supplemental VRKA reports.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 25th day of November, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jorge Badillo".

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Jorge Badillo

# **Exhibit A**



# Campaign Finance Report

Arizona Solutions PAC

Committee #: 101746

Jurisdiction: Arizona Secretary of State

Treasurer: Badillo, Jorge

4340 E Indian School Rd, Ste STE 21-203, Phoenix, AZ 85018

Phone: (602) 697-9777

Email: eric@resilientstrategiesaz.com

## Amended 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3)

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Election Cycle:   | 2024                             |
| Date Filed:       | November 19, 2024                |
| Reporting Period: | July 14, 2024-September 30, 2024 |
| Jurisdiction:     | Arizona Secretary of State       |

## Summary of Finances

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Cash Balance at Beginning of Reporting Period:  | \$0.00       |
| Total Cash Receipts this Reporting Period:      | \$800,000.00 |
| Total Cash Disbursements this Reporting Period: | \$20,000.00  |
| Cash Balance at End of Reporting Period:        | \$780,000.00 |

Report ID: 298824

## Summary of Activity

| Income   | Schedule | This Period  |        |              | Total to Date |
|--|----------|--------------|--------|--------------|---------------|
|  |          | Cash         | Other  | Total        |               |
| Personal and Family Contributions                | C1       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Individual Contributions                         | C2       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Contributions from Political Committees          | C3a,b,c  | \$800,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$800,000.00 | \$800,000.00  |
| Business Contributions                           | C4a,b,c  | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Small Contributions                              | C5       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| CCEC Funding and Matching                        | C6       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Qualifying Contributions                         | C7       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made to this Committee                     | L1       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Other Receipts, including Interest and Dividends | R1       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Transfers from Other Committees                  | T1       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| Cash Surplus from Previous Committee             | S1       | \$0.00       | \$0.00 | \$0.00       | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Income</b>                              |          | \$800,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$800,000.00 | \$800,000.00  |

| Expenditures                              | Schedule | This Period |        |             | Total to Date |
|---|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------------|
|   |          | Cash        | Other  | Total       |               |
| Operating Expenses                        | E1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Independent & Ballot Measure Expenditures | E2a,b,c  | \$20,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$20,000.00 | \$20,000.00   |
| Contributions to Committees/Businesses    | E3a -E3f | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Small Expenses                            | E4       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Transfers to Other Committees             | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made by This Committee              | L2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Disposal of Surplus Cash                  | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                 |          | \$20,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$20,000.00 | \$20,000.00   |
| Bill Payments for Previous Expenditures   | D1       | \$0.00      |        | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Cash Disbursed</b>               |          | \$20,000.00 |        |             |               |

Schedule C3b - Contributions from PACs

| Schedule C3b - Contributions from PACs |   | Date       | Amount       | Cycle To Date |
|--|---|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Name:                                  | 201800383 - Committee for Arizona Leadership                                  | 09/24/2024 | \$800,000.00 | \$800,000.00  |
| Address:                               | 400 E Van Buren St, Ste 555, Phoenix, AZ 85004                                |            | Cash         |               |
| Trans. Type:                           | Contributions from PACs   |            |              |               |
| Memo:                                  | Opt in: No Original Sources, Intermediary Greater Phoenix Leadeship \$800,000 |            |              |               |
| Total of Contributions from PACs       |   |            | \$800,000.00 |               |
| Total of Refunds Given                 |   |            | \$0.00       |               |
| Net Total of Contributions from PACs   |   |            | \$800,000.00 |               |
|  |   |            |              |               |

Schedule E2a - Independent expenditures

|   |  | Date       | Amount      | Cycle To Date |
|---|--|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Name:   | REA Communications LLC   | 09/30/2024 | \$5,000.00  | \$20,000.00   |
| Address:  | 423 E 9th St, Tucson, AZ 85705   |            | Cash        |               |
| Trans. Type:                                    | Independent Expenditure - Pay Cash/Check   |            |             |               |
| Category:                                       | Communications - Radio   |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | CMS Expenditure Inv# 1190 Spanish Language Media Buy Maricopa County Coverage Joel Navarro for Sup |            |             |               |
| Benefits:                                       | Joel Navarro for Supervisor  |            |             |               |
| Name:   | REA Communications LLC   | 09/30/2024 | \$15,000.00 | \$20,000.00   |
| Address:  | 423 E 9th St, Tucson, AZ 85705   |            | Cash        |               |
| Trans. Type:                                    | Independent Expenditure - Pay Cash/Check   |            |             |               |
| Category:                                       | Communications - Radio   |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | CMS Expenditure Inv# 1189 Spanish Language Media Buy Maricopa County Coverage Tim Stringham for C  |            |             |               |
| Benefits:                                       | Stringham for Arizona  |            |             |               |
| Total of Independent Expenditures               |  |            | \$20,000.00 |               |
| Total of Refunds, Rebates, and Credits Received |  |            | \$0.00      |               |
| Net Total of Independent Expenditures           |  |            | \$20,000.00 |               |
|   |  |            |             |               |





## **Exhibit B**

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### Covered Person<sup>1</sup> Reporting Campaign Media Spending

|  |   |
|--|---|
| In the case of an entity:                            | Arizona Solutions PAC                               |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     | 4340 E Indian School Rd STE 21-203 Phoenix AZ 85018 |
| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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<sup>1</sup> The identity of the person that owns or controls the traceable monies goes here. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(1). Traceable monies are either money that has been given, loaned or promised for campaign media spending or in-kind contributions to enable campaign media spending. A.R.S. § 16-971(18)(a)-(b). "Person" includes both a natural person and an entity such as a corporation, limited liability company, labor organization, partnership or association, regardless of legal form. A.R.S. § 16-971(13). Identity means, in the case of an individual, the name mailing address, occupation, and employer of that individual. A.R.S. § 16-971(10). In the case of any other person, identity means the name, mailing address, federal tax status, and state of incorporation, registration, or partnership, if any. A.R.S. § 16-971(10).

<sup>2</sup> Includes any entity established, financed, maintained or controlled by the person who owns or controls the traceable monies and maintains its own transfer records and that entity's relationship to the covered person. A.R.S. § 16-973(2).

### Custodian of Transfer Records

|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:            | The Money Wheel                 |
| Mailing address: | PO BOX 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060 |
| Position:        | Compliance                      |

### Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                   |
| Mailing address:              | 4455 E Camelback Road, STE D145 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                       |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | 323,901.34 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|

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<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

<sup>4</sup> Provide the total amount of traceable monies owned or controlled by the covered person on the date the report is made. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(5). Traceable monies are monies that have been given, loaned or promised to be given to a covered person and for which no donor has opted out of their use or transfer for campaign media spending pursuant to A.R.S. §16-972 and monies used to pay for in-kind contributions to a covered person to enable campaign media spending. A.R.S. § 16-971(18).

**Donors of original monies exceeding \$5,000 or more directly or indirectly to the Covered Person<sup>5</sup>**

| Donor | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date |
|-------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |

<sup>5</sup> The identity of each donor of original monies who contributed, directly or indirectly, more than \$5,000 of traceable monies or in-kind contributions for campaign media spending during the election cycle to the covered person and the date and amount of each of the donor's contributions. This includes donors to intermediaries that provided monies to the covered person.

**Intermediaries<sup>6</sup>**

| Intermediary | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date | Source |
|--------------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|--------|
|              |                 |   |   |        |      |        |
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<sup>6</sup> The identity of each person that acted as an intermediary and that transferred, in whole or in part, traceable monies of more than \$5,000 from original sources to the covered person and the date, amount and source, both original and intermediate, of the transferred monies. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(7).



**Major Donors<sup>9</sup>**

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Major Contributor's Name: |  |
| Mailing address:          |  |
| Position:                 |  |

**I CERTIFY, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THE CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEVE IF IT TRUE AND COMPLETE.**

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Filer Name: | Jorge Badillo   |
| Signature:  |  |
| Date:       | 10/18/2024  |

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<sup>9</sup> Any person whose total contributions of traceable monies to the covered person constituted more than half of the traceable monies of the covered person at the start of the election cycle. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(9)





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|  |   |
|--|---|
| In the case of an entity:                            | Arizona Solutions PAC                               |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     | 4340 E Indian School Rd STE 21-203 Phoenix AZ 85018 |
| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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### Custodian of Transfer Records

|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:            | The Money Wheel                 |
| Mailing address: | PO BOX 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060 |
| Position:        | Compliance                      |

### Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                   |
| Mailing address:              | 4455 E Camelback Road, STE D145 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                       |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$276,432.04 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|

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<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

<sup>4</sup> Provide the total amount of traceable monies owned or controlled by the covered person on the date the report is made. A.R.S § 16-973(A)(5). Traceable monies are monies that have been given, loaned or promised to be given to a covered person and for which no donor has opted out of their use or transfer for campaign media spending pursuant to A.R.S. §16-972 and monies used to pay for in-kind contributions to a covered person to enable campaign media spending. A.R.S. § 16-971(18).

**Donors of original monies exceeding \$5,000 or more directly or indirectly to the Covered Person<sup>5</sup>**

| Donor | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date |
|-------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
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|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |

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**Intermediaries<sup>6</sup>**

| Intermediary | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date | Source |
|--------------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|--------|
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| Disbursements                        |  |                        |   |   |  |            |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------|---|---|--|------------|---|--|--|
| Recipient and Amount of Disbursement |  | Amount of Disbursement | Mailing Address                             | Occupation (Individual/Federal Tax Status (Entity)) | Employer (Individual/State of Incorporation, Partnership, or Registration) | Date       | In Support or Opposition of Candidate or Ballot Measure |  |  |
| Example                              |  |                        |   | Consultant  | AZ   |            | Support: Prop 139                                       |  |  |
| JR Graphics                          |  | \$933.96               | 638 W Indian School Rd,<br>Phoenix AZ 85013 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/21/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |  |  |
| REA Communications LLC               |  | \$2,240.00             | 423 E 9th St<br>Tucson AZ 85705             | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/21/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |  |  |
| REA Communications LLC               |  | \$960.00               | 423 E 9th St<br>Tucson AZ 85705             | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/21/2024 | Oppose: Joel Navarro                                    |  |  |
| JR Graphics                          |  | \$296.34               | 638 W Indian School Rd,<br>Phoenix AZ 85013 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/22/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |  |  |
| JR Graphics                          |  | \$296.34               | 638 W Indian School Rd,<br>Phoenix AZ 85013 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/22/2024 | Oppose: Justin Heap                                     |  |  |
|                                      |  |                        |   |   |  |            |   |  |  |
|                                      |  |                        |   |   |  |            |   |  |  |
|                                      |  |                        |   |   |  |            |   |  |  |

### Major Donors<sup>9</sup>

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Major Contributor's Name: |  |
| Mailing address:          |  |
| Position:                 |  |

I CERTIFY, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THE CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEVE IF IT TRUE AND COMPLETE.

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Filer Name: | Jorge Badillo   |
| Signature:  |  |
| Date:       | 10/22/2024  |

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### Covered Person<sup>1</sup> Reporting Campaign Media Spending

|  |   |
|--|---|
| In the case of an entity:                            | Arizona Solutions PAC #101746                       |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     | 4340 E Indian School Rd Ste 21-203 Phoenix AZ 85018 |
| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
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| Position:        | Compliance                      |

### Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                  |
| Mailing address:              | 4455 E Camelback Road Ste D145 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                      |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$271,705.4 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|

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|-------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
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|--------------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|--------|
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**Major Donors<sup>9</sup>**

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
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| Position:                 |  |

**I CERTIFY, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THE CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEVE IF IT TRUE AND COMPLETE.**

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Filer Name: | Jorge Badillo   |
| Signature:  |  |
| Date:       | 10/24/2024  |

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|  |   |
|--|---|
| In the case of an entity:                            | Arizona Solutions PAC #101746                       |
| Name:  |   |
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| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
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| Position:        | Compliance                      |

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|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                   |
| Mailing address:              | PO BOX 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060 |
| Position with Covered Person: |                                 |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$214,575.68 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|

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<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

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| Donor | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date |
|-------|-----------------|---|---|--------|------|
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
|       |                 |   |   |        |      |
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| Disbursements                        |                        |   |   |   |            |   |  |
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| Example                              |                        |   | Consultant  | AZ  |            | Support: Prop 139                                       |  |
| Stones Phones                        | \$ 2,384.78            | 41-750 Rancho Las Palmas Dr, Suite E-3 Rancho Mirage, CA 92270    | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/25/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |  |
| Stones Phones                        | \$ 922.40              | 41-750 Rancho Las Palmas Dr, Suite E-3 Rancho Mirage, CA 92270    | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/25/2024 | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |  |
| Convergence Targeted Communications  | \$ 14,700.10           | 1250 Connecticut Avenue Northwest Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036 | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |  |
| Convergence Targeted Communications  | \$ 14,700.10           | 1250 Connecticut Avenue Northwest Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036 | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Oppose: Justin Heap                                     |  |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 6,975.00            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013 USA                                | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 9,201.84            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 9,201.84            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 6,601.77            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 6,601.77            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 6,601.78            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 3,019.52            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Stephen Richer                                 |  |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 2,532.98            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd Fl, Washington , DC 20003             | Consultant  | AZ  | 10/28/2024 | Support: Jack Sellers                                   |  |
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|  |   |
|--|---|
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| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     | 4340 E Indian School RD STE 21-203 Phoenix AZ 85018 |
| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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<sup>2</sup> Includes any entity established, financed, maintained or controlled by the person who owns or controls the traceable monies and maintains its own transfer records and that entity's relationship to the covered person. A.R.S. § 16-973(2).

### Custodian of Transfer Records

|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:            | The Money Wheel                 |
| Mailing address: | PO BOX 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060 |
| Position:        | Compliance                      |

### Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                   |
| Mailing address:              | PO Box 97241, Phoenix, AZ 85060 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                       |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$121,095.09 |
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<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

<sup>4</sup> Provide the total amount of traceable monies owned or controlled by the covered person on the date the report is made. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(5). Traceable monies are monies that have been given, loaned or promised to be given to a covered person and for which no donor has opted out of their use or transfer for campaign media spending pursuant to A.R.S. §16-972 and monies used to pay for in-kind contributions to a covered person to enable campaign media spending. A.R.S. § 16-971(18).

Donors of original monies exceeding \$5,000 or more directly or indirectly to the Covered Person<sup>5</sup>

| Donor | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date |
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<sup>5</sup> The identity of each donor of original monies who contributed, directly or indirectly, more than \$5,000 of traceable monies or in-kind contributions for campaign media spending during the election cycle to the covered person and the date and amount of each of the donor's contributions. This includes donors to intermediaries that provided monies to the covered person.

**Intermediaries<sup>6</sup>**

| Intermediary | Mailing Address | Occupation (Individual)/<br>Federal Tax Status (Entity) | Employer (Individual)/<br>State of Incorporation,<br>Partnership, or Registration | Amount | Date | Source |
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| Disbursements                        |                        |   |   |  |            |   |
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| Example                              |                        |   | Consultant  | AZ   |            | Support: Prop 139                                       |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 8,622.76            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd floor Washington , DC 20003 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/31/2024 | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |
| Winning Connections                  | \$ 5,748.51            | 317 Pennsylvania Ave SE 2nd floor Washington , DC 20003 | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/31/2024 | Oppose: Mark Stewart                                    |
| Looks Good Printing                  | \$ 1,252.34            | 338 E Tuckey Ln Phoenix AZ 85012                        | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/31/2024 | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
| Looks Good Printing                  | \$ 777.34              | 338 E Tuckey Ln Phoenix AZ 85012                        | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/31/2024 | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |
| Looks Good Printing                  | \$ 814.84              | 338 E Tuckey Ln Phoenix AZ 85012                        | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/31/2024 | Oppose: Carine Werner                                   |
| Looks Good Printing                  | \$ 539.85              | 338 E Tuckey Ln Phoenix AZ 85012                        | Consultant  | AZ   | 10/31/2024 | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 11,481.46           | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Oppose: Mark Stewart                                    |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 11,481.46           | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 6,426.81            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Oppose: Carine Werner                                   |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 6,426.82            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 6,277.73            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 6,277.72            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Oppose: Mark Stewart                                    |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 15,000.00           | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Support: Tim Stringham                                  |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 5,000.00            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Support: Christine Marsh                                |
| Resilient Strategies                 | \$ 5,000.00            | 4540 11th Ave Phoenix AZ 85013                          | Consultant  | AZ   | 11/1/2024  | Support: Joel Navarro                                   |
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|  |   |
|--|---|
| In the case of an entity:                            | Arizona Solutions PAC #101746                       |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     | 4340 E Indian School Rd Ste 21-203 Phoenix AZ 85018 |
| Federal tax status:                                  | State PAC   |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
| In the case of an individual:                        |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
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|                               |                                  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                    |
| Mailing address:              | PO Box 97241, Phoenix , AZ 85060 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                        |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$29,967.45 |
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| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: | Arizona   |
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| Name:  |   |
| Mailing address:                                     |   |
| Occupation:  |   |
| Employer:  |   |

### Identity of Entity/Entities Under the Covered Person<sup>2</sup>

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|--|--|
| Name:  |  |
| Mailing address:                                     |  |
| Federal tax status:                                  |  |
| State of incorporation, registration or partnership: |  |
| Relationship to the Covered Person:                  |  |

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| Position:        | Compliance                      |

### Campaign Media Spending Manager<sup>3</sup>

|                               |                                  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Name:                         | Eric Chalmers                    |
| Mailing address:              | PO Box 97241, Phoenix , AZ 85060 |
| Position with Covered Person: | Principal                        |

### Covered Person's Traceable Monies (Cash on hand for campaign media spending)<sup>4</sup>

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Total amount of traceable monies: | \$19,465.81 |
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<sup>3</sup> Provide this information for at least one individual who controls, directly or indirectly, how the traceable monies are spent. A.R.S. § 16-973(A)(4).

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| Signature:  |  |
| Date:       | 11/12/2024  |

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STATE OF ARIZONA

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

MUR 25-02

Anna Abeytia

**Conciliation Agreement**

Respondent

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-957(A) the Citizens Clean Elections Commission ("Commission") and Anna Abeytia, (Hereinafter "Respondent") agree to enter into a public administrative settlement of this matter in the manner below.

1. On April 24, 2025, the Commission determined that there was reason to believe that Respondent may have violated the Citizens Clean Elections Act and Rules ("the Act"). The Statement of Reasons by the Executive Director is attached to this agreement and incorporated by reference. Exhibit A.
2. The Respondent failed to file timely campaign finance reports required by the Act, failed to timely respond to Agency auditors, and failed to timely return money to the Clean Elections Fund as required by law.
3. Respondent waives any right she may have under any law of this state or the United States, including the right to a hearing or appeal in this matter, and agrees with the Commission to an informal settlement of this matter.
4. This Settlement Agreement concludes the Commission's investigation into the Respondent's conduct and constitutes the final penalties related to the investigation against the Respondent.

1           WHEREFORE, the Citizens Clean Elections Commission enters the following orders in lieu of any  
2 other action regarding this matter:

3           5.     Respondent acknowledges that she faces fines as identified in Table 1 under A.R.S. § 16-  
4                 942, and additional amounts for failure to abide by the Act by failing to respond to auditors  
5                 and staff requests for information and failure to return monies to the fund under A.A.C. R2-  
6                 20-222.

7           6.     The parties hereby agree to settle this matter on the following basis:

- 8                 •     Respondent shall pay a fine of \$5,000. That fine shall be paid in installments of no  
9                 less than \$104.00 per month for 48 months beginning October 1, 2025 with a final  
10                payment of the remaining balance due at the end of that period.
- 11               •     Respondent shall pay \$2082.37 within 30 days of the authorization of this agreement  
12                by the Commission in repayment.
- 13               •     Respondent shall amend her campaign finance reports to reflect the payments to her  
14                contractor identified in the audit report attached as Exhibit B and incorporated into  
15                this agreement.
- 16               •     Respondent agrees not to seek or accept Clean Elections funding in any other  
17                election.

18           7.     Upon Respondent's final payment and provided Respondent otherwise complies with the  
19                 terms of this Conciliation Agreement, the Commission shall terminate proceedings related  
20                 to MUR No. 25-02 and the matter shall be closed.

Table 1

| Report                                     | Days Late    | Amount not reported  | \$420<br><br>(§ 16-942 doubled<br><br>because 10 percent<br><br>threshold exceeded not<br><br>to exceed 2x amount<br><br>not reported) |
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| 2024 Qualifying Period<br><br>Recap Report | 30 Days Late | Total Cash Receipts<br><br>this Reporting Period:<br><br>\$34,676.06<br><br>Total Cash<br><br>Disbursements this<br><br>Reporting Period:<br><br>Cash: \$32,828.61<br><br><br><br>Total: \$67,504.67 | 30 x \$420<br><br><br><br>\$12,600   |
| 2024 Primary Recap<br><br>report           | 23 Days Late | Total Cash Receipts<br><br>this Reporting Period:<br><br>\$21,199.06<br><br>Total Cash<br><br>Disbursements this<br><br>Reporting Period:  | 23 x \$420<br><br><br><br>\$9,660  |

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|                                |               | \$7,937.02   |   |
|                                |               | Total: \$29,136.08   |   |
| 2024 Post Primary<br>Report    | 188 Days Late | Total Cash<br>Disbursements this<br>Reporting Period:<br>\$40,000.60<br><br>(\$47,937.62 reported<br>less the \$7,937.02<br>previously reported) | 188 x \$420<br><br>\$78,960             |
| 2024 - Pre-General<br>Election | 177 Days Late | Transactions below \$2   | Executive Director<br>recommends waiver |
| 2024 General Election          | 160 Days Late | Transactions below \$1   | Executive Director<br>recommends waiver |
| 2024 Post-General<br>Election  | 96 Days Late  | Transactions below \$1   | Executive Director<br>recommends waiver |

Note: 10 percent of the 2023-2024 adjusted primary limit (16-952 one-party dominant)  
 \$3,176. 10 percent of the 2023-2024 adjusted general limit (16-952 one-party dominant)  
 \$2,117

8. The parties hereby agree to settle this matter on the following basis:



1 9. A default by Respondent with respect to this Conciliation Agreement shall make a  
2 penalty of \$101,160 less any amounts previously paid by Respondent pursuant hereto,  
3 immediately due and payable by Respondent to the Citizens Clean Elections Fund.

4 10. All payments shall be made by check or money order payable to the Citizens Clean  
5 Elections Fund and delivered to the Citizens Clean Elections Commission, 1110 W.  
6 Washington St., Suite 250, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007.

7 11. Respondent shall be in default of this Agreement upon the occurrence of failure to  
8 comply with Paragraph 6 of this Agreement and any of the following:

- 9 • Respondent fails to make any payment required hereunder within five (5) working  
10 days following the date due;
- 11 • Respondent files a petition under the bankruptcy laws, or any creditor of the  
12 Respondent files any petition under said laws against the Respondent;
- 13 • Any creditor of Respondent commences a foreclosure action to foreclose (by suit or  
14 trustee sale) on real property of the Respondent, or commences garnishment,  
15 attachment, levy or execution against the Respondent's property;
- 16 • Respondent provided false information to the Commission; or
- 17 • Respondent fails to abide by any provision of this agreement.

18 12. Interest shall accrue and becomes immediately payable on any amount that remains  
19 unpaid thirty days after a default occurs. Interest shall accrue at the statutory rate of  
20 prime plus one (1) percent (8.5%) pursuant to A.R.S. § 44-1201(B).

21 13. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent any state agency  
22 which issues licenses for any profession from requiring that the debt in issue be paid in  
23 full before said agency will issue Respondent a new license.

24 14. The Commission may waive any condition of default without waiving any other condition  
25 of default and without waiving its rights to full, timely future performance of the  
conditions waived.

1 15. In the event legal action is necessary to enforce collection hereunder, Respondent  
2 shall additionally pay all costs and expenses of collection, including without limitation,  
3 reasonable attorneys' fees in an amount equal to thirty-five percent (35%) of monies  
4 recovered.

5 16. Respondent acknowledges that all obligations payable pursuant to this Agreement  
6 constitute a fine, penalty, or forfeiture payable to and for the benefit of a governmental  
7 unit, not compensation for actual pecuniary loss, and that pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523  
8 such obligations are not subject to discharge in bankruptcy.

9 17. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Arizona.

10 18. In the event that any paragraph or provision hereof shall be ruled unenforceable, all  
11 other provisions hereof shall be unaffected thereby.

12 19. This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties regarding  
13 the subject matter. This Agreement shall not be modified or amended except in a  
14 writing signed by all parties hereto.

15 20. This Agreement shall not be subject to assignment.

16 21. No delay, omission or failure by the Commission to exercise any right or power  
17 hereunder shall be construed to be a waiver or consent of any breach of any of the  
18 terms of this Agreement by the Respondent.

19 22. By entering into this Agreement, the Respondent does not waive any rights, claims,  
20 defenses or arguments in any subsequent proceeding before the Commission or any  
21 agency, court or other tribunal.

22 23. Respondent has obtained independent legal advice in connection with the execution of  
23 this Agreement or have freely chosen not to do so. Any rule construing this Agreement  
24 against the drafter is inapplicable and is waived.

25 Accordingly, the proceedings commenced by the Executive Director shall be terminated and the  
matter be closed upon payment of the civil penalties and other actions herein.

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Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of August, 2025.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Executive Director

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Respondent

**STATE OF ARIZONA  
CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

MUR 25-02

Anna Abeytia

**STATEMENT OF REASONS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND  
RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF REPAYMENT ORDER**

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The Executive Director hereby provides the following Statement of Reasons why there may be reason to believe that a violation of the Citizens Clean Elections Act and Commission rules (collectively, the “Act”) may have occurred.

**Summary of Recommendation**

Anna Abeytia (“Respondent”) chose to become a participating candidate for the 2024 election cycle and the Clean Elections Fund provided her \$53,933. Because she has not filed timely campaign finance reports required by the Act and Rules and because she has failed to respond to multiple efforts from Clean Elections staff and auditors to find evidence to account for her use of funds, there is reason to believe she has violated multiple provisions of the Clean Elections Act and Rules.

**I. Factual Background**

Respondent applied for certification as a participating candidate on June 14, 2024. Exhibit 1. Respondent provided sufficient qualifying contributions to meet the statutory requirements for clean elections funding on July 9, 2024. Exhibit 2. Respondent reallocated a portion of clean elections funding to the primary election period pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-952. *Id.* Consequently, Respondent received \$31,760 in clean elections funding for the primary. *Id.* Respondent won nomination to the

legislative district 24 general election. General election funding of \$21,173 was approved on July 31, 2024. Exhibit 3.

Respondent did not file any periodic campaign finance reports after her primary recap report on September 4, 2024, Exhibit 4, until April 21, 2025. Consequently, Respondent did not file any campaign finance report for her 2024 committee after accepting her general election funding until April 21, 2025.

Respondent ignored efforts to contact her made by Clean Elections designated auditors and Clean Elections staff members. Exhibit 5 at 3. Following initial notice from staff, the auditors reported:

We reached out to Anna Abeytia (the Candidate) via email on November 25, 2024, and again on December 4, 2024; neither of which received a response. On December 12, 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 January 28, 2025, and spoke to Anna Abeytia, and she said she would send over the requested documentation that evening. That was the last time we heard from her. It should also be noted that as of February 17, 2025, the Candidate has not filed their 2024 Primary Recap Report, 2024 Pre-General Election, or 2024 General 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.

*Id.*

The Executive Director issued a Complaint against Respondent on March 10, 2025 along with a copy of the audit report. Exhibit 6. Respondent did not respond or acknowledge the Complaint.

Commission staff heard from Respondent via email on April 16 after contacting her about a discrepancy in her existing reports. Respondent wrote that: ““I have hired a fiancé [sic] advisor to help get the reporting done and fix some stuff from the primary. There are was no money left over from the money but my reports weren’t reflecting that so they are looking to figure that out. As for the General funding I do have about \$1,900 or so left over and they working on getting the reporting done to reflect that.” Exhibit 7.

Respondent finally filed remaining reports on April 21, but the reports generally show the same kind of lump sum payment to a consulting firm, Gumption Consulting. See Table 2 and Exhibit 8.

## **II. Alleged Violations**

### **A. Failure to file campaign finance reports.**

Candidates are required to file campaign finance reports “that include all receipts and disbursements for their current campaign account.” Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-110(A). “In addition to any other penalties imposed by law, the civil penalty for a violation by . . . any candidate of any reporting requirement imposed by [Chapter 6 of Title 16] shall be [\$210] per day for candidates for the legislature” up to a statutory maximum limit based on the amount of money not reported. A.R.S. § 16-942(B).

Table 1 (April 17, 2025)

| Reports Previously Filed      |            |                                       |                |  |
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| Report Due Date               | Date Filed | Report Name                           | Report Filings | Status                                 |
| 01/15/2025                    |            | 2024 - Post-General Election (Q4)     |                | 92 Day(s) Late<br>Fines Due \$2075.00  |
| 11/12/2024                    |            | 2024 - General Recap Report           |                | 156 Day(s) Late                        |
| 10/26/2024                    |            | 2024 - Pre-General Election           |                | 173 Day(s) Late<br>Fines Due \$4100.00 |
| 10/15/2024                    |            | 2024 - Post-Primary Election (Q3)     |                | 184 Day(s) Late<br>Fines Due \$4375.00 |
| 08/12/2024                    | 09/04/2024 | 2024 - Primary Recap Report           | PDF            | 23 Day(s) Late                         |
| 08/05/2024                    | 09/04/2024 | 2024 - Qualifying Period Recap Report | PDF            | 30 Day(s) Late                         |
| 07/20/2024                    | 07/19/2024 | 2024 - Pre-Primary Election           | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 07/15/2024                    | 07/15/2024 | 2024 - Quarter 2                      | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/24/2024                    | 06/24/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/24/2024                    | 06/24/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/14/2024                    | 06/14/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/14/2024                    | 06/14/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/12/2024                    | 06/12/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/12/2024                    | 06/12/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 04/15/2024                    | 04/15/2024 | 2024 - Quarter 1                      | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 02/07/2024                    | 02/07/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| Showing 1 to 16 of 16 entries |            |                                       |                | Page 1 of 1                            |

As Table 1 demonstrates, Respondent filed two reports late in 2024 and had failed to file a report for her Clean Elections committee since.

Table 2 demonstrates that after the Reason to Believe memo was sent to Respondent, she filed reports that were outstanding.





## **B. Recordkeeping and return of monies**

The Clean Elections Act and Rules provide for various rules to prevent the misuse of monies from the Clean Elections Fund. Most of these rules are common sense, that is, the kind of things any ordinary campaign or small business project would consider.

In addition to the reporting requirements described above, candidates are required to maintain books and records. Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-115(A)-(B). Audits are intended to ensure that these steps are taken. Additionally, reports and accounting requirements help verify that you have properly returned monies as required by A.R.S. § 16-953 (relating to return of monies).

Based on Respondent's decision to avoid the auditors and her admission last week that she needs to seek a professional service to assist her in addressing her reports, and her related admission she has not returned monies to the fund, there is reason to believe that a violation of Arizona Administrative Code section R2-20-115 has occurred and a violation of A.R.S. § 16-953 has occurred.

The mere fact that she has now filed additional reports that largely show large disbursements to a single consulting firm are not sufficient to satisfy Respondent's burden, while the late filings after the course of action Respondent has undertaken supports the inference the reports are not in order.

### **III. Repayment Order**

The facts described above additionally support the Commission voting to approve the repayment order Staff has proposed. Respondent's failure to file reports at all, in many cases, or reports that she has not substantiated by her own admission, along with her refusal to respond to required audits to which she agreed support the conclusion that an order of repayment should be approved. Respondent has not met the burden she agreed to by choosing to participate. Specifically, as detailed in the proposed order, respondent has not met her burden regarding her use of clean elections funding the Commission orders repayment of the entire amount of \$53,933 on the following two independent grounds:

a. Use of funds not for direct campaign expenses. Respondent had the burden of proving expenditures were for direct campaign purposes. Respondent has not met her burden to show that expenses with primary election funding were for direct campaign purposes or that the General Election funds were used for direct campaign expenses. Therefore, the Commission concludes that the funds were not used for direct campaign expenses and determines that the full amount of \$53,933 must be returned. Ariz. Admin. Code § R2-20-704(B)(2).

b. Expenditures were not documented in accordance with campaign finance reporting requirements. Respondent has not provided sufficient documentation of expenditures in the primary election or general election. Therefore, the

Commission determines the full amount of \$53,933 must be returned. Ariz. Admin. Code § R2-20-704(B)(3).

### **Recommendation**

If the Commission determines there is a reason to believe that a violation of a statute or rule over which the Commission has jurisdiction may have occurred, an investigation shall be conducted. Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-209(A). If the Commission determines there is reason to believe, the Executive Director shall, in the Executive Director's discretion, subpoena Respondent's records documenting disbursements, debts, or obligations to the present, and may authorize an audit.

Upon expiration of fourteen (14) days, if the Commission finds that the alleged violator remains out of compliance, the Commission shall make a public finding to that effect and issue an order assessing a civil penalty in accordance with A.R.S. § 16-942, unless the Commission publishes findings of fact and conclusions of law expressing good cause for reducing or excusing the penalty. A.R.S. § 16-957(B).

After fourteen (14) days and upon completion of the investigation, the Executive Director will recommend whether the Commission should find probable cause to believe that a violation of a statute or rule over which the Commission has jurisdiction has occurred. Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-214(A). Upon a finding of probable cause that the alleged violator remains out of compliance, by an affirmative vote of at least three (3) of its members, the Commission may issue an

order and assess civil penalties pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-957(B). Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-217.

The Executive Director also recommends the Commission approve the Repayment Order.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2025

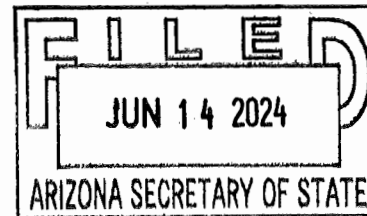
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Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director

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- ☐ Initial Application  
☐ Amended Application



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



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

COMMITTEE ID NUMBER  
**101577**

|   |                               |   |                    |  |
|---|-------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|
| NAME OF CANDIDATE<br>ANNA LYNN ABEYTIA  |                               |   | DATE<br>06/12/2024 |  |
| OFFICE SOUGHT<br>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24   | PARTY AFFILIATION<br>Democrat | ELECTION CYCLE<br>2024                              |                    |  |
| CANDIDATE'S ADDRESS<br>5141 W AVALON DR   | CITY<br>PHOENIX               | STATE<br>AZ   | ZIP<br>85031       |  |
| CANDIDATE'S TELEPHONE #<br>(480) 909-7030   | CANDIDATE'S FAX #             | CANDIDATE'S EMAIL ADDRESS<br>ABEYTIAMORAZ@GMAIL.COM |                    |  |
| NAME OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE<br>ANNA ABEYTIA FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24  |                               |   |                    |  |
| COMMITTEE ADDRESS<br>5141 W AVALON DR   | CITY<br>PHOENIX               | STATE<br>AZ   | ZIP<br>85031       |  |
| COMMITTEE MAILING ADDRESS (if different from above)<br>5141 W AVALON DR   | CITY<br>PHOENIX               | STATE<br>AZ   | ZIP<br>85031       |  |
| COMMITTEE TELEPHONE #<br>(480) 909-7030   | COMMITTEE FAX #               | COMMITTEE EMAIL ADDRESS<br>ABEYTIAMORAZ@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<br>WELLS FARGO  |                               |   |                    |  |

DESIGNATED CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT (if applicable) (A.R.S. §16-948(B)): I hereby  
 designate \_\_\_\_\_ 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

Date

6/14/24

Committee ID: 101577

Application for Certification – Part II

Date: 06/12/2024

Form ID: 0000561805

**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 Maricopa )

) ss.

Candidate's Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 14th day

of June, 2024

Notary Public

State of Arizona )

County of \_\_\_\_\_ )

) ss.

Designated Individual's Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_.

Notary Public



**HOPE M. OLGUIN**  
Notary Public - State of Arizona  
MARICOPA COUNTY  
Commission # 625532  
Expires April 4, 2026

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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Paula Thomas, Executive Officer  
**Thru:** Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director  
**From:** Mike Becker, Policy Director  
**Date:** **July 9, 2024**  
**Subject:** Disbursement of 2024 Primary Election Funds

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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:** Anna Abeytia  
**Office Sought:** State House of Representatives, District 24  
**Vendor Number:** VC\*81073

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*Funding Received By*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Paula Thomas, Executive Officer

**Thru:** Thomas M. Collins, Executive Director

**From:** Mike Becker, Policy Director

**Date:** July 31, 2024

**Subject:** Disbursement of 2024 General Election Funds- Re-allocated

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In accordance with A.A.C. R2-20-106, the Commission has determined that the candidate referenced below has received the greatest number of votes in the primary election and is qualified to receive re-allocated general election funding in the amount of **\$21,173**.

**Candidate Name:** Anna Abeytia  
**Office Sought:** State Representative, LD 24  
**Vendor Number:** VC#81073

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*Funding Received By*

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*Date*








# Anna Abeytia For State Representative - District 24




Transactions

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
STATE OF ARIZONA



**CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures**

**Anna Abeytia  
Participating Candidate for  
State Representative - District 24  
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 Anna Abeytia'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 Anna Abeytia. 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 reached out to Anna Abeytia (the Candidate) via email on November 25, 2024, and again on December 4, 2024; neither of which received a response. On December 12, 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 January 28, 2025, and spoke to Anna Abeytia, and she said she would send over the requested documentation that evening. That was the last time we heard from her. It should also be noted that as of February 17, 2025, the Candidate has not filed their 2024 Primary Recap Report, 2024 Pre-General Election, or 2024 General 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 reports 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 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**

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 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 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 November 2024 bank statement and the 2024 General 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**

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**

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 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 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 reports.

**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.

Thomas M. Collins  
Executive Director



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**NOTICE OF COMPLAINT AND PRELIMINARY AUDIT REPORT AND RESPONSE  
OPPORTUNITY**

**Via Overnight Delivery and E-mail**

March 10, 2025

The Hon. Anna Abeytia  
5141 W Avalon Dr  
Phoenix AZ 85031  
Email: [abeytiaforaz@gmail.com](mailto:abeytiaforaz@gmail.com)  
Phone: (480) 909-7030

RE: CEC MUR 25-02

Dear Rep. Abeytia,

This letter represents notice of a complaint against you by the Executive Director of the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission and well as to provide you a copy of a preliminary audit report. You have an opportunity to respond to both as discussed below.

According the Arizona Campaign Finance Reporting System, you stopped filing periodic reports after the late filing of your Primary Recap and Qualifying Period Recap Reports on September 9, 2024. *See* Table 1. Additionally, you have refused to participate in required auditing under the Citizens Clean Elections Act and Rules, as reflected in the attached report. *See* Exhibit 1.

The Clean Elections Act and Rules require participating candidates to file periodic reports of their campaign financial activities, conduct all activities through a single campaign account, ensure that funds are expended in accordance with the Act and Rules, and permit an audit to confirm compliance with those requirements.

Your failure to file campaign finance reports and failure to respond to a required audit logically support the conclusion you have acted knowingly in failing to meet these obligations. Indeed, the available records indicate your campaign ceased to provide any required financial information despite its legal obligations and the application for certification that you signed and filed. *See* Exhibit 2.

Campaign finance reports and audits are the primary mechanism by which Clean Elections ensures that you are abiding by the terms of the Act to which you have agreed.

The absence of proper reporting and ignoring the audit raises concerns that other important restrictions you agreed to as a participating candidate may not have been abided by.

Table 1

| Reports Previously Filed |            |                                       |                |  |
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| <input type="text"/>     |            | (Indicates Amended Reports Exist)     |                |  |
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| Report Due Date          | Date Filed | Report Name                           | Report Filings | Status                                 |
| 08/12/2024               | 09/04/2024 | 2024 - Primary Recap Report           | PDF            | 23 Day(s) Late                         |
| 08/05/2024               | 09/04/2024 | 2024 - Qualifying Period Recap Report | PDF            | 30 Day(s) Late                         |
| 07/20/2024               | 07/19/2024 | 2024 - Pre-Primary Election           | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 07/15/2024               | 07/15/2024 | 2024 - Quarter 2                      | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 06/24/2024               | 06/24/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
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| 04/15/2024               | 04/15/2024 | 2024 - Quarter 1                      | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 02/07/2024               | 02/07/2024 | 2024 - Interim Report                 | PDF            | On Time                                |
| 10/15/2024               |            | 2024 - Post-Primary Election (Q3)     |                | 143 Day(s) Late<br>Fines Due \$3350.00 |
| 10/26/2024               |            | 2024 - Pre-General Election           |                | 132 Day(s) Late<br>Fines Due \$3075.00 |
| 11/12/2024               |            | 2024 - General Recap Report           |                | 115 Day(s) Late                        |
| 01/15/2025               |            | 2024 - Post-General Election (Q4)     |                | 51 Day(s) Late<br>Fines Due \$1050.00  |

Consequently, you and your campaign may be in violation of A.R.S. §§ 16-941(A)(1) (limiting contributions), -941(A)(2) (limiting personal expenditures), -941(A)(3)(primary spending limit), -941(A)(4) (general spending limit), -941(A)(5)(campaign accounts and return of monies) and -948 (campaign accounts).

Failure to file reports can lead to penalties under A.R.S. § 16-942 (including daily penalties of \$210 per day for violations for failure to follow reporting requirements).

Additionally, reports help verify that you have properly returned monies as required by A.R.S. § 16-953 (relating to return of monies). The absence of the reports supports an inquiry into what monies ought to have been returned.

Absent reports, we also consider that you may have violated Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-110 (participating candidates reporting requirements) and Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-115 (books and recordkeeping requirements) and have failed to establish that you have fulfilled your obligation to show compliance with Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-702 (use of funds), Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-702.01 (use of assets), Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-703 (documentation of expenditures), Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-703.01 (consultants). Again, in each of these instances,

absent reports and compliance with the audit requirements, we must consider these possible violations.

This is a serious matter. Violations of the above requirements can trigger penalties under A.R.S. §§ 16-942, -943, and -957, as well as Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-222. Candidates can also be subjected to repayment under Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-704. Additionally, “if the candidate fails to provide adequate office space, personnel or records, the Commission may seek judicial intervention to enforce the request or assess other penalties.” Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-403(C).

The Commission’s rules provide that you “be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken on the basis of a complaint by submitting, *within five days from receipt of a written copy of the complaint*, a letter or memorandum setting forth reasons why the Commission should take no action.” Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-205(A). Please respond to this notice and complaint by the close of business on March 18, 2025.

Additionally, if you have any response to the enclosed audit report you have 10 days to provide that response. Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-404(B).

*Your response must be notarized, or it will not be considered.* Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-205(C). Failure to respond to this complaint within five days may be viewed as an admission to the allegations. *Id.*

The rule states that we are to provide you with an advisement of Commission compliance procedures. Those procedures are set forth in Article 2 of the Commission’s Rules (Arizona Administrative Code Sections R2-20-201 to R2-20-228). *See* Exhibit 3.

This matter is in the initial stages of review. A finding will be made only after the Commission has fully reviewed this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions at (602) 364-3477 or by e-mail at [thomas.collins@azcleanelections.gov](mailto:thomas.collins@azcleanelections.gov).

Sincerely,

S/Thomas M. Collins

Executive Director  
Citizens Clean Elections Commission

Enclosures



MIKE BECKER <[REDACTED]>

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**Re: Return of Funds**

1 message

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Anna Abeytia <[REDACTED]>  
To: MIKE BECKER <[REDACTED]>

Thu, Apr 17, 2025 at 9:11 AM

Hello Mike,

I have hired a fiancé advisor to help get the reporting done and fix some stuff from the primary. There are was no money left over from the money but my reports weren't reflecting that so they are looking to figure that out.

As for the General funding I do have about \$1,900 or so left over and they working on getting the reporting done to reflect that.

Anna Abeytia

On Apr 16, 2025, at 8:41 AM, MIKE BECKER <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Rep. Abeytia,

I am reaching out, once again, to remind you that all remaining funds from your campaign must be returned to the Commission. Your most recent report states that you have over \$22,000 primary funds left. Those funds must be returned to the Commission immediately along with any remaining general election funds. If the funds have been spent, then your campaign finance reports must reflect that, and as of today, 4/16, they do not.

Please correct and file all of your reports, primary and general, showing how the funds were spent by the close of business Friday, April 18. In addition, please return the remaining funds that have been stated on your report by the close of business Friday, April 18.

Do not hesitate to reach out should you have questions.

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**Mike Becker**

**Policy Director**

Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission

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Direct line: [REDACTED]

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## Campaign Finance Report

**Anna Abeytia for State Representative - District 24**

**Committee #: 101577**

**Jurisdiction: Arizona Secretary of State**

**Treasurer: Jaramillo, Hector**

**5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031**

**Phone: (480) 909-7030**

**Email: abeytiaforaz@gmail.com**

**Candidate Name: Abeytia, Anna Lynn**

**Office Sought: State Representative - District 24**

### 2024 Pre-General Election

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Election Cycle:   | 2024                             |
| Date Filed:       | April 21, 2025                   |
| Reporting Period: | October 1, 2024-October 19, 2024 |
| Jurisdiction:     | Arizona Secretary of State       |

### Summary of Finances

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Cash Balance at Beginning of Reporting Period:  | \$2,084.06 |
| Total Cash Receipts this Reporting Period:      | \$0.00     |
| Total Cash Disbursements this Reporting Period: | \$1.31     |
| Cash Balance at End of Reporting Period:        | \$2,082.75 |

Report ID: 294049



**Summary of Activity**

| Income   | Schedule | This Period |        |        | Total to Date |
|--|----------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|
|  |          | Cash        | Other  | Total  |               |
| Personal and Family Contributions                | C1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Individual Contributions                         | C2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,890.00    |
| Contributions from Political Committees          | C3a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Business Contributions                           | C4a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Small Contributions                              | C5       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$26.06       |
| CCEC Funding and Matching                        | C6       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$52,933.00   |
| Qualifying Contributions                         | C7       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made to this Committee                     | L1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Other Receipts, including Interest and Dividends | R1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Transfers from Other Committees                  | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Cash Surplus from Previous Committee             | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Income</b>                              |          | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$55,849.06   |

| Expenditures                              | Schedule | This Period |        |        | Total to Date |
|---|----------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|
|   |          | Cash        | Other  | Total  |               |
| Operating Expenses                        | E1       | \$1.31      | \$0.00 | \$1.31 | \$53,766.31   |
| Independent & Ballot Measure Expenditures | E2a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Contributions to Committees/Businesses    | E3a -E3f | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Small Expenses                            | E4       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Transfers to Other Committees             | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made by This Committee              | L2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Disposal of Surplus Cash                  | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                 |          | \$1.31      | \$0.00 | \$1.31 | \$53,766.31   |
| Bill Payments for Previous Expenditures   | D1       | \$0.00      |        | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Cash Disbursed</b>               |          | \$1.31      |        |        |               |

Schedule C2 - Individual contributions

|                                       |                                     | Date       | Amount    | Cycle To Date |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------------|
| Name:                                 | Parker, Bob                         | 10/17/2024 | \$25.00   | \$0.00        |
| Address:                              | 4807 S 103rd Dr, Tolleson, AZ 85353 |            | Cash      |               |
| Occupation:                           | Sales, S.C.C.                       |            |           |               |
| Name:                                 | Parker, Bob                         | 10/17/2024 | \$(25.00) | \$0.00        |
| Address:                              | 4807 S 103rd Dr, Tolleson, AZ 85353 |            | Cash      |               |
| Occupation:                           | Sales, S.C.C.                       |            |           |               |
| Trans. Type:                          | Refunded Contribution               |            |           |               |
| Memo:                                 | Refund                              |            |           |               |
| Original Date:                        | 10/17/2024                          |            |           |               |
| Original Amount:                      | \$25.00                             |            |           |               |
| Total of Individual Contributions     |                                     |            | \$25.00   |               |
| Total of Refunds Given                |                                     |            | (\$25.00) |               |
| Net Total of Individual Contributions |                                     |            | \$0.00    |               |
|                                       |                                     |            |           |               |

Schedule E1 - Operating expenses

| Schedule E1 - Operating expenses                |   | Date       | Amount | Cycle To Date |
|---|---|------------|--------|---------------|
| Name:   | ActBlue                                   | 10/01/2024 | \$0.15 | \$1.21        |
| Address:  | PO Box 962017, Boston, MA 02196           |            | Cash   |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge |            |        |               |
| Memo:   | September Transaction Fee                 |            |        |               |
| Name:   | ActBlue                                   | 10/11/2024 | \$0.38 | \$1.21        |
| Address:  | PO Box 962017, Boston, MA 02196           |            | Cash   |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge |            |        |               |
| Memo:   | October Transaction Fee                   |            |        |               |
| Name:   | Stripe                                    | 10/11/2024 | \$0.78 | \$72.86       |
| Address:  | 3180 18th St, San Francisco, CA 94110     |            | Cash   |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge |            |        |               |
| Memo:   | October Transaction Fee                   |            |        |               |
| Total of Operating Expenses                     |   |            | \$1.31 |               |
| Total of Refunds, Rebates, and Credits Received |   |            | \$0.00 |               |
| Net Total of Operating Expenses                 |   |            | \$1.31 |               |
|   |   |            |        |               |





## Campaign Finance Report

**Anna Abeytia for State Representative - District 24**

**Committee #: 101577**

**Jurisdiction: Arizona Secretary of State**

**Treasurer: Jaramillo, Hector**

**5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031**

**Phone: (480) 909-7030**

**Email: abeytiaforaz@gmail.com**

**Candidate Name: Abeytia, Anna Lynn**

**Office Sought: State Representative - District 24**

### Amended 2024 Post-General Election (Q4)

|                   |                                    |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Election Cycle:   | 2024                               |
| Date Filed:       | April 21, 2025                     |
| Reporting Period: | October 20, 2024-December 31, 2024 |
| Jurisdiction:     | Arizona Secretary of State         |

### Summary of Finances

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Cash Balance at Beginning of Reporting Period:  | \$2,082.75 |
| Total Cash Receipts this Reporting Period:      | \$0.00     |
| Total Cash Disbursements this Reporting Period: | \$0.38     |
| Cash Balance at End of Reporting Period:        | \$2,082.37 |

Report ID: 305382



**Summary of Activity**

| Income   | Schedule | This Period |        |        | Total to Date |
|--|----------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|
|  |          | Cash        | Other  | Total  |               |
| Personal and Family Contributions                | C1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Individual Contributions                         | C2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,890.00    |
| Contributions from Political Committees          | C3a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Business Contributions                           | C4a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Small Contributions                              | C5       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$26.06       |
| CCEC Funding and Matching                        | C6       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$52,933.00   |
| Qualifying Contributions                         | C7       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made to this Committee                     | L1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Other Receipts, including Interest and Dividends | R1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Transfers from Other Committees                  | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Cash Surplus from Previous Committee             | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Income</b>                              |          | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$55,849.06   |

| Expenditures                              | Schedule | This Period |        |        | Total to Date |
|---|----------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|
|   |          | Cash        | Other  | Total  |               |
| Operating Expenses                        | E1       | \$0.38      | \$0.00 | \$0.38 | \$53,766.69   |
| Independent & Ballot Measure Expenditures | E2a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Contributions to Committees/Businesses    | E3a -E3f | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Small Expenses                            | E4       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Transfers to Other Committees             | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made by This Committee              | L2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Disposal of Surplus Cash                  | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                 |          | \$0.38      | \$0.00 | \$0.38 | \$53,766.69   |
| Bill Payments for Previous Expenditures   | D1       | \$0.00      |        | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Cash Disbursed</b>               |          | \$0.38      |        |        |               |

Schedule E1 - Operating expenses

|   |   | Date       | Amount | Cycle To Date |
|---|---|------------|--------|---------------|
| Name:   | ActBlue                                   | 10/30/2024 | \$0.38 | \$1.59        |
| Address:  | PO Box 962017, Boston, MA 02196           |            | Cash   |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge |            |        |               |
| Memo:   | October Transaction Fee                   |            |        |               |
| Total of Operating Expenses                     |   |            | \$0.38 |               |
| Total of Refunds, Rebates, and Credits Received |   |            | \$0.00 |               |
| Net Total of Operating Expenses                 |   |            | \$0.38 |               |
|   |   |            |        |               |







## Campaign Finance Report

**Anna Abeytia for State Representative - District 24**

**Committee #: 101577**

**Jurisdiction: Arizona Secretary of State**

**Treasurer: Jaramillo, Hector**

**5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031**

**Phone: (480) 909-7030**

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**Candidate Name: Abeytia, Anna Lynn**

**Office Sought: State Representative - District 24**

### Amended 2024 Post-Primary Election (Q3)

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Election Cycle:   | 2024                             |
| Date Filed:       | April 21, 2025                   |
| Reporting Period: | July 14, 2024-September 30, 2024 |
| Jurisdiction:     | Arizona Secretary of State       |

### Summary of Finances

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Cash Balance at Beginning of Reporting Period:  | \$28,812.62 |
| Total Cash Receipts this Reporting Period:      | \$21,209.06 |
| Total Cash Disbursements this Reporting Period: | \$47,937.62 |
| Cash Balance at End of Reporting Period:        | \$2,084.06  |

Report ID: 305373

**Summary of Activity**

| Income   | Schedule | This Period |        |             | Total to Date |
|--|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------------|
|  |          | Cash        | Other  | Total       |               |
| Personal and Family Contributions                | C1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Individual Contributions                         | C2       | \$10.00     | \$0.00 | \$10.00     | \$2,890.00    |
| Contributions from Political Committees          | C3a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Business Contributions                           | C4a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Small Contributions                              | C5       | \$26.06     | \$0.00 | \$26.06     | \$26.06       |
| CCEC Funding and Matching                        | C6       | \$21,173.00 | \$0.00 | \$21,173.00 | \$52,933.00   |
| Qualifying Contributions                         | C7       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made to this Committee                     | L1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Other Receipts, including Interest and Dividends | R1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Transfers from Other Committees                  | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Cash Surplus from Previous Committee             | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Income</b>                              |          | \$21,209.06 | \$0.00 | \$21,209.06 | \$55,849.06   |

| Expenditures                              | Schedule | This Period |        |             | Total to Date |
|---|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------------|
|   |          | Cash        | Other  | Total       |               |
| Operating Expenses                        | E1       | \$47,937.62 | \$0.00 | \$47,937.62 | \$53,765.00   |
| Independent & Ballot Measure Expenditures | E2a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Contributions to Committees/Businesses    | E3a -E3f | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Small Expenses                            | E4       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Transfers to Other Committees             | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made by This Committee              | L2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| Disposal of Surplus Cash                  | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                 |          | \$47,937.62 | \$0.00 | \$47,937.62 | \$53,765.00   |
| Bill Payments for Previous Expenditures   | D1       | \$0.00      |        | \$0.00      | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Cash Disbursed</b>               |          | \$47,937.62 |        |             |               |

Schedule C2 - Individual contributions

|                                       |   | Date       | Amount    | Cycle To Date |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------|-----------|---------------|
| Name:                                 | Kayashima, Akagi  | 07/16/2024 | \$10.00   | \$135.00      |
| Address:                              | 8690 Sierra College Blvd Suite 160 PMB 364, Roseville, CA 95661 |            | Cash      |               |
| Occupation:                           | Not Employed, Not Employed                                      |            |           |               |
| Name:                                 | Kayashima, Akagi  | 08/20/2024 | \$10.00   | \$135.00      |
| Address:                              | 8690 Sierra College Blvd Suite 160 PMB 364, Roseville, CA 95661 |            | Cash      |               |
| Occupation:                           | Not Employed, Not Employed                                      |            |           |               |
| Name:                                 | Kayashima, Akagi  | 09/06/2024 | \$(10.00) | \$135.00      |
| Address:                              | 8690 Sierra College Blvd Suite 160 PMB 364, Roseville, CA 95661 |            | Cash      |               |
| Occupation:                           | Not Employed, Not Employed                                      |            |           |               |
| Trans. Type:                          | Refunded Contribution   |            |           |               |
| Memo:                                 | Refund  |            |           |               |
| Original Date:                        | 08/20/2024  |            |           |               |
| Original Amount:                      | \$10.00   |            |           |               |
| Total of Individual Contributions     |   |            | \$20.00   |               |
| Total of Refunds Given                |   |            | (\$10.00) |               |
| Net Total of Individual Contributions |   |            | \$10.00   |               |
|                                       |   |            |           |               |

Schedule In-State Contributions of \$100 or Less

|                                  |                       | Date       | Amount  | Cycle To Date |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------------|
| Name:                            | Multiple Contributors | 07/30/2024 | \$26.06 | \$26.06       |
| Address:                         |                       |            | Cash    |               |
| Total of Small Contributions     |                       |            | \$26.06 |               |
| Total of Refunds Given           |                       |            | \$0.00  |               |
| Net Total of Small Contributions |                       |            | \$26.06 |               |
|                                  |                       |            |         |               |

Schedule C6 - Clean Elections funding and matching

|  |  | Date       | Amount      | Cycle To Date |
|--|--|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Name:  | Citizens Clean Election Commission         | 08/02/2024 | \$21,173.00 | \$52,933.00   |
| Address:                                       | 1616 W Adams, Suite 110, Phoenix, AZ 85007 |            | Cash        |               |
| Trans. Type:                                   | CCEC Funding Received                      |            |             |               |
| Total of Funding Received from Clean Elections |  |            | \$21,173.00 |               |
| Total of Funds Returned to Clean Elections     |  |            | \$0.00      |               |
| Net Total of Funding from Clean Elections      |  |            | \$21,173.00 |               |
|  |  |            |             |               |



**Schedule E1 - Operating expenses**

|   |   | Date       | Amount      | Cycle To Date |
|---|---|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Name:   | Gumpton Consulting LLC                      | 07/15/2024 | \$20,000.00 | \$53,310.00   |
| Address:  | 5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031         |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Professional Services - Consultants         |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Gumpton Consulting LLC                      | 07/26/2024 | \$3,500.00  | \$53,310.00   |
| Address:  | 5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031         |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Professional Services - Consultants         |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Gumpton Consulting LLC                      | 07/29/2024 | \$3,500.00  | \$53,310.00   |
| Address:  | 5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031         |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Professional Services - Consultants         |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Stripe                                      | 07/30/2024 | \$1.23      | \$72.08       |
| Address:  | 3180 18th St, San Francisco, CA 94110       |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge   |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | July Transaction Fee                        |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Gumpton Consulting LLC                      | 07/31/2024 | \$910.00    | \$53,310.00   |
| Address:  | 5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031         |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Professional Services - Consultants         |            |             |               |
| Name:   | ActBlue                                     | 08/01/2024 | \$0.53      | \$0.68        |
| Address:  | PO Box 962017, Boston, MA 02196             |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge   |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | July Transaction Fee                        |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Quick Trip                                  | 08/01/2024 | \$25.26     | \$25.26       |
| Address:  | 8045 N 51st Ave , Glendale, AZ 85301        |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Event Expenses - Food/refreshments          |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | Water, Gatorade for election day canvassing |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Gumpton Consulting LLC                      | 08/29/2024 | \$20,000.00 | \$53,310.00   |
| Address:  | 5141 W Avalon Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85031         |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Payroll                    |            |             |               |
| Name:   | Stripe                                      | 08/30/2024 | \$0.45      | \$72.08       |
| Address:  | 3180 18th St, San Francisco, CA 94110       |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge   |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | August Transaction Fee                      |            |             |               |
| Name:   | ActBlue                                     | 09/01/2024 | \$0.15      | \$0.68        |
| Address:  | PO Box 962017, Boston, MA 02196             |            | Cash        |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge   |            |             |               |
| Memo:   | August Transaction Fee                      |            |             |               |
| Total of Operating Expenses                     |   |            | \$47,937.62 |               |
| Total of Refunds, Rebates, and Credits Received |   |            | \$0.00      |               |
| Net Total of Operating Expenses                 |   |            | \$47,937.62 |               |
|   |   |            |             |               |





## Campaign Finance Report

**Anna Abeytia for State Representative - District 24**

**Committee #: 101577**

**Jurisdiction: Arizona Secretary of State**

**Treasurer: Jaramillo, Hector**

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**Candidate Name: Abeytia, Anna Lynn**

**Office Sought: State Representative - District 24**

### 2024 General Recap Report

|                   |                                   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Election Cycle:   | 2024                              |
| Date Filed:       | April 21, 2025                    |
| Reporting Period: | October 20, 2024-November 5, 2024 |
| Jurisdiction:     | Arizona Secretary of State        |

### Summary of Finances

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Cash Balance at Beginning of Reporting Period:  | \$2,082.75 |
| Total Cash Receipts this Reporting Period:      | \$0.00     |
| Total Cash Disbursements this Reporting Period: | \$0.38     |
| Cash Balance at End of Reporting Period:        | \$2,082.37 |

Report ID: 296247



**Summary of Activity**

| Income   | Schedule | This Period |        |        | Total to Date |
|--|----------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|
|  |          | Cash        | Other  | Total  |               |
| Personal and Family Contributions                | C1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Individual Contributions                         | C2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,890.00    |
| Contributions from Political Committees          | C3a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Business Contributions                           | C4a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Small Contributions                              | C5       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$26.06       |
| CCEC Funding and Matching                        | C6       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$52,933.00   |
| Qualifying Contributions                         | C7       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made to this Committee                     | L1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Other Receipts, including Interest and Dividends | R1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Transfers from Other Committees                  | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Cash Surplus from Previous Committee             | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Income</b>                              |          | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$55,849.06   |

| Expenditures                              | Schedule | This Period |        |        | Total to Date |
|---|----------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|
|   |          | Cash        | Other  | Total  |               |
| Operating Expenses                        | E1       | \$0.38      | \$0.00 | \$0.38 | \$53,766.69   |
| Independent & Ballot Measure Expenditures | E2a,b,c  | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Contributions to Committees/Businesses    | E3a -E3f | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Small Expenses                            | E4       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Transfers to Other Committees             | T1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Loans Made by This Committee              | L2       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| Disposal of Surplus Cash                  | S1       | \$0.00      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                 |          | \$0.38      | \$0.00 | \$0.38 | \$53,766.69   |
| Bill Payments for Previous Expenditures   | D1       | \$0.00      |        | \$0.00 | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total Cash Disbursed</b>               |          | \$0.38      |        |        |               |

Schedule E1 - Operating expenses

|   |   | Date       | Amount | Cycle To Date |
|---|---|------------|--------|---------------|
| Name:   | ActBlue                                   | 10/30/2024 | \$0.38 | \$1.59        |
| Address:  | PO Box 962017, Boston, MA 02196           |            | Cash   |               |
| Category:                                       | Administration - Bank fees/service charge |            |        |               |
| Memo:   | October Transaction Fee                   |            |        |               |
| Total of Operating Expenses                     |   |            | \$0.38 |               |
| Total of Refunds, Rebates, and Credits Received |   |            | \$0.00 |               |
| Net Total of Operating Expenses                 |   |            | \$0.38 |               |
|   |   |            |        |               |



**CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures**

**Anna Abeytia  
Participating Candidate for  
State Representative - District 24  
General Election 2024**

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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 Anna Abeytia'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 Anna Abeytia. 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.

Report Date, 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 all bank statements from July 2024 through November 2024 (the reporting period) and perform the following:

- Select ten (10) 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 six deposits (total population tested) and nine withdrawals (total population tested) 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 \$2,082.37 at November 5, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$1,197.37 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 ten (10) 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 two contributions (total population tested) 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) Contractor will judgmentally select ten (10) 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 ten 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 ten 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 ten 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 ten 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**

Four of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures made in conjunction with other candidates, and it appeared that the amount paid represented the Candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

- 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) Based on a review of records provided under Preliminary Procedures 1(d):

- (i) Identify records required under AA.C R2-20-703.01 respecting consultants.

**Finding**

We identified seventeen expenditures that related to consultants, see Appendix A.

- (ii) Determine whether any payments to a consultant were performed consistent with the documentation.

**Finding**

All seventeen payments to a consultant tested appeared to be performed consistent with the documentation provided by the Candidate, see Appendix A.

- (iii) Determine whether any excess funds were returned to the candidate as required.

**Finding**

As of June 16, 2025, the Candidate has not returned any excess funds to the Commission.

- (iv) Determine whether any subcontractors or vendors were employed by a consultant or agent of the candidate.

**Finding**

We reviewed all such invoices and determined that subcontractors and/or vendors were used by a consultant or agent of the candidate.

- (v) Determine the amount of money paid to any subcontractor and vendor and the purpose of such payments.

**Finding**

Based on the documentation reviewed, \$8,031.83 was paid to subcontractors and/or vendors, and related to palm cards, mailers, and postage.

- (vi) Review all documents from Gumption Consulting and Ricardo Serna.

**Finding**

We reviewed all documents relating to seventeen expenditures paid to Gumption Consulting and Ricardo Serna, see Appendix A.

- Obtain and review the vendor contract or service agreement to understand the scope of work and deliverables.

**Finding**

There was no written contract or service agreement between the Candidate and the Gumption Consulting or Ricardo Serna.

- Review invoices and trace them to supporting documentation (e.g., time sheets, service reports, correspondence, deliverables).

**Finding**

We reviewed all invoices and traced them to the supporting documentation provided by the Candidate, Gumption Consulting, and Ricardo Serna, see Appendix A.

- Identify relevant personnel who could confirm that services were received and performed satisfactorily.

**Finding**

We spoke to the Candidate and Ricardo Serna and both confirmed that services were received and performed satisfactorily.

- Inspect tangible evidence of service completion or delivery (e.g., reports, completed tasks, work logs, system logs).

**Finding**

We obtained and reviewed tangible evidence of service completion or delivery without exception.

- Reconcile dates of service on invoices with internal schedules, logs, or meeting minutes to verify timing and presence of vendor.

**Finding**

We reconciled dates of service on invoices with internal schedules, logs, or meeting minutes to verify timing and presence of the vendor, see Appendix A.

- Confirm receipt and use of deliverables or work product.

**Finding**

We confirmed receipt and use of the deliverables or work product.

- j) 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 responded with an acceptance of the report as presented.

**Anna Abeytia**  
**Appendix A**

| <u>Gumption invoice description</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u>       | <u>Bank information</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u>       | <u>State Report information</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u>      |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Abeytia #1 Gumption Invoice         | 3/4/2024    | \$ 500.00           | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 3/4/2024    | \$ 500.00           | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 3/4/2024    | \$ 500.00          |
| Abeytia #2 Gumption Invoice         | 4/26/2024   | 300.00              | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 4/26/2024   | 300.00              | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 4/26/2024   | 300.00             |
| Abeytia #3 Gumption Invoice         | 6/11/2024   | 1,000.00            | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 6/11/2024   | 1,000.00            | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 6/11/2024   | 1,000.00           |
| Abeytia #4 Gumption Invoice         | 7/11/2024   | 3,242.60            | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 6/21/2024   | 100.00              | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 6/21/2024   | 100.00             |
| Abeytia #5 1_2 Gumption Invoice     | 7/18/2024   | 1,732.80            | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 7/11/2024   | 3,500.00            | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 7/11/2024   | 3,500.00           |
| Abeytia #5 2_2 Gumption Invoice     | 7/18/2024   | 2,417.31            | Check 12 paid to Serna  | 7/16/2024   | 20,000.00           | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 7/15/2024   | 20,000.00          |
| LD24 #1 12 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 703.95              | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 7/26/2024   | 3,500.00            | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 7/26/2024   | 3,500.00           |
| LD24 #1 22 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 979.69              | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 7/29/2024   | 3,500.00            | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 7/29/2024   | 3,500.00           |
| LD24 #2 12 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 703.95              | Zelle to Serna Ricardo  | 7/31/2024   | 910.00              | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 7/31/2024   | 910.00             |
| LD24 #2 22 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 979.70              | Payment made to Serna   | 8/29/2024   | 20,000.00           | Gumption Consulting LLC         | 8/29/2024   | 20,000.00          |
| Abeytia #6 Gumption Invoice         | 7/26/2024   | 12,000.00           |                         |             |                     |                                 |             |                    |
| Abeytia #7 Gumption Invoice         | 7/28/2024   | 8,750.00            |                         |             |                     |                                 |             |                    |
| Abeytia #11 Gumption Invoice        | 8/29/2024   | 8,000.00            |                         |             |                     |                                 |             |                    |
| Abeytia #12 Gumption Invoice        | 8/29/2024   | 9,000.00            |                         |             |                     |                                 |             |                    |
| Abeytia #13 Gumption Invoice        | 8/29/2024   | 3,000.00            |                         |             |                     |                                 |             |                    |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                  |             | <b>\$ 53,310.00</b> | <b>Grand Total</b>      |             | <b>\$ 53,310.00</b> | <b>Grand Total</b>              |             | <b>\$53,310.00</b> |

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STATE OF ARIZONA

CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

Hector Jaramillo

Respondent

CEC RPO Jaramillo  
MUR 25-02

**Conciliation Agreement**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-957(A) the Citizens Clean Elections Commission ("Commission") and Hector Jaramillo, (Hereinafter "Respondent") agree to enter into a public administrative settlement of this matter in the manner below.

1. On January 8, 2025, the Executive Director filed a complaint against Respondent alleging violations of the Citizens Clean Elections Act and Rules ("the Act") and providing notice that Respondent could be subject to a repayment order. Respondent did not respond to the Complaint, which included notice of the possible consequences of failing to respond. The Complaint is incorporated here and attached as Exhibit A.
2. On March 27 the Commission approved a Repayment Order requiring Respondent to repay the entire amount of primary funding provided by the Clean Elections Fund. That order is incorporated here and attached as Exhibit B. After the order, Respondent provided information to Commission auditors.
3. Respondent timely appealed to the Office of Administrative Hearings.
4. Respondent waives any right he may have under any law of this state or the United States, including the right to a hearing or appeal in this matter and his pending appeal, and agrees with the Commission to an informal settlement of this matter.

1           5.    This Settlement Agreement concludes the Commission's investigation into the  
2               Respondent's conduct and constitutes the final penalties related to the investigation against  
3               the Respondent.

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5           WHEREFORE, the Citizens Clean Elections Commission enters the following orders in lieu of any  
6 other action regarding this matter:

7           6.    Respondent acknowledges that he faces fines as identified in Table 1 under A.R.S. § 16-  
8               942, and additional amounts for failure to abide by the Act by failing to respond to auditors  
9               and staff requests for information and failure to return monies to the fund under A.A.C. R2-  
10              20-222.

11          7.    The parties hereby agree to settle this matter on the following basis:

- 12               •   Respondent shall pay a fine of \$2,500. That fine shall be paid in installments of no  
13               less than \$52 per month for 48 months beginning October 1, 2025 with a final  
14               payment of the remaining balance due at the end of that period.
- 15               •   Respondent shall amend his campaign finance reports to reflect the payments to her  
16               contractor identified in the audit report attached as Exhibit C and incorporated into  
17               this agreement.
- 18               •   Respondent agrees not to seek or accept Clean Elections funding in any other  
19               election.

20          8.    Upon Respondent's final payment and provided Respondent otherwise complies with the  
21               terms of this Conciliation Agreement, the Commission shall terminate proceedings related  
22               to MUR No. 25-01 and the repayment order and the matter shall be closed.

Table 1

| Report                                    | Days Late     | Amount not reported  | \$420<br><br>(§ 16-942 doubled<br>because 10 percent<br>threshold exceeded<br>not to exceed 2x<br>amount not reported ) |
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| 2024 - Pre-Primary<br>Election            | 30 Days Late  | 51 dollars   | Executive Director<br>recommends waiver   |
| 2024 Qualifying<br>Period Recap<br>Report | 234 Days Late | Total Cash Receipts<br>this Reporting Period:<br>\$35,981.55<br><br>Total Cash<br>Disbursements this<br>Reporting Period:<br>\$33,260.35<br><br>Total: \$69,241.90 | 30 x \$420<br><br>\$136,080   |
| 2024 Primary<br>Recap report              | 227 Days Late | Total Cash Receipts<br>this Reporting Period:<br>\$31,760.00<br><br>Total Cash   | 227 x \$420<br><br>\$95,340   |

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|  |  | Disbursements this<br>Reporting Period:<br>\$30,000.00<br><br>Total: \$61,760.00 |  |
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Because candidate did not qualify for the general election, Executive Director elects not to pursue penalties for reports after the primary.

10 percent of the 2023-2024 adjusted primary limit (16-952 one-party dominant)

\$3,176

10 percent of the 2023-2024 adjusted general limit (16-952 one-party dominant)

\$2,117

9. The parties hereby agree to settle this matter on the following basis:

10. A default by Respondent with respect to this Conciliation Agreement shall make a penalty of \$231,420 less any amounts previously paid by Respondent pursuant hereto, immediately due and payable by Respondent to the Citizens Clean Elections Fund.

11. All payments shall be made by check or money order payable to the Citizens Clean Elections Fund and delivered to the Citizens Clean Elections Commission, 1110 W. Washington St., Suite 250, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007.

12. Respondent shall be in default of this Agreement upon failure to comply with Paragraph 6 of this Agreement and any of the following:

- Respondent fails to make any payment required hereunder within five (5) working days following the date due;
- Respondent files a petition under the bankruptcy laws, or any creditor of the Respondent files any petition under said laws against the Respondent;



- Any creditor of Respondent commences a foreclosure action to foreclose (by suit or trustee sale) on real property of the Respondent, or commences garnishment, attachment, levy or execution against the Respondent's property;
- Respondent provided false information to the Commission; or
- Respondent fails to abide by any provision of this agreement.

13. Interest shall accrue and becomes immediately payable on any amount that remains unpaid thirty days after a default occurs. Interest shall accrue at the statutory rate of prime plus one (1) percent (8.5%) pursuant to A.R.S. § 44-1201(A).

14. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent any state agency which issues licenses for any profession from requiring that the debt in issue be paid in full before said agency will issue Respondent a new license.

15. The Commission may waive any condition of default without waiving any other condition of default and without waiving its rights to full, timely future performance of the conditions waived.

16. In the event legal action is necessary to enforce collection hereunder, Respondent shall additionally pay all costs and expenses of collection, including without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees in an amount equal to thirty-five percent (35%) of monies recovered.

17. Respondent acknowledges that all obligations payable pursuant to this Agreement constitute a fine, penalty, or forfeiture payable to and for the benefit of a governmental unit, not compensation for actual pecuniary loss, and that pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523 such obligations are not subject to discharge in bankruptcy.

18. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Arizona.

19. In the event that any paragraph or provision hereof shall be ruled unenforceable, all other provisions hereof shall be unaffected thereby.

20. This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties regarding the subject matter. This Agreement shall not be modified or amended except in a writing signed by all parties hereto.

21. This Agreement shall not be subject to assignment.

22. No delay, omission or failure by the Commission to exercise any right or power hereunder shall be construed to be a waiver or consent of any breach of any of the terms of this Agreement by the Respondent.

23. By entering into this Agreement, the Respondent does not waive any rights, claims, defenses or arguments in any subsequent proceeding before the Commission or any agency, court or other tribunal.

24. Respondent has obtained independent legal advice in connection with the execution of this Agreement or have freely chosen not to do so. Any rule construing this Agreement against the drafter is inapplicable and is waived.

25. Respondent consents to the dismissal of his pending appeal on a motion filed by the Commission's attorneys.

26. The Executive Director does not have express or implied authority to enter any agreement with Respondent. This agreement is not effective unless approved by the Commission.

Accordingly, the proceedings commenced by the Executive Director shall be terminated and the matter be closed upon payment of the civil penalties and other actions herein.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of August, 2025.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Executive Director

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Respondent

Thomas M. Collins  
Executive Director



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**NOTICE OF COMPLAINT AND PRELIMINARY AUDIT REPORT AND RESPONSE  
OPPORTUNITY**

**Via Overnight Delivery and E-mail**

January 8, 2025

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

RE: CEC MUR 25-01

Dear Mr. Jaramillo,

This letter represents notice of a complaint against you by the Executive Director of the Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission and well as to provide you a copy of a preliminary audit report. You have an opportunity to respond to both as discussed below.

According the Arizona Campaign Finance Reporting System, you stopped filing periodic reports beginning with your qualifying period recap report. *See Exhibit 1.* Additionally, you have refused to participate in required auditing under the Citizens Clean Elections Act and Rules, as reflected in the attached report. *See Exhibit 2.*

The Clean Elections Act and Rules require participating candidates to file periodic reports of their campaign financial activities, conduct all activities through a single campaign account, ensure that funds are expended in accordance with the Act and Rules, and permit an audit to confirm compliance with those requirements.

Your failure to file campaign finance reports and failure to respond to a required audit logically support the conclusion you have acted knowingly in failing to meet these obligations. Indeed, the available records indicate your campaign ceased to provide any required financial information despite its legal obligations and the application for certification that you signed and filed. *See Exhibit 3.*

Campaign finance reports and audits are the primary mechanism by which Clean Elections ensures that you are abiding by the terms of the Act to which you have agreed.

The absence of proper reporting and ignoring the audit raises concerns that other important restrictions you agreed to as a participating candidate may not have been abided by.

Consequently, you and your campaign may be in violation of A.R.S. §§ 16-941(A)(1) (limiting contributions), -941(A)(2) (limiting personal expenditures), -941(A)(3)(primary spending limit), -941(A)(4) (general spending limit), -941(A)(5)(campaign accounts and return of monies) and -948 (campaign accounts).

Failure to file reports can lead to penalties under A.R.S. § 16-942 (including daily penalties of \$210 per day for violations for failure to follow reporting requirements).

Additionally, reports help verify that you have properly returned monies as required by A.R.S. § 16-953 (relating to return of monies). The absence of the reports supports an inquiry into what monies ought to have been returned.

Absent reports, we also consider that you may have violated Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-110 (participating candidates reporting requirements) and Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-115 (books and recordkeeping requirements) and have failed to establish that you have fulfilled your obligation to show compliance with Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-702 (use of funds), Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-702.01 (use of assets), Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-703 (documentation of expenditures), Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-703.01 (consultants). Again, in each of these instances, absent reports and compliance with the audit requirements, we must consider these possible violations.

This is a serious matter. Violations of the above requirements can trigger penalties under A.R.S. §§ 16-942, -943, and -957, as well as Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-222. Candidates can also be subjected to repayment under Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-704. Additionally, “if the candidate fails to provide adequate office space, personnel or records, the Commission may seek judicial intervention to enforce the request or assess other penalties.” Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-403(C).

The Commission’s rules provide that you “be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate that no action should be taken on the basis of a complaint by submitting, *within five days from receipt of a written copy of the complaint*, a letter or memorandum setting forth reasons why the Commission should take no action.” Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-205(A). Please respond to this notice and complaint by the close of business on January 16, 2025.

Additionally, if you have any response to the enclosed audit report you have 10 days to provide that response. Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-404(B).

*Your response must be notarized, or the Commission will not consider it.* Ariz. Admin. Code R2-20-205(C). Failure to respond to this complaint within five days may be viewed as an admission to the allegations. *Id.*

The rule states that we are to provide you with an advisement of Commission compliance procedures. Those procedures are set forth in Article 2 of the Commission's Rules (Arizona Administrative Code Sections R2-20-201 to R2-20-228). *See* Exhibit 4.

This matter is in the initial stages of review. A finding will be made only after the Commission has fully reviewed this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions at (602) 364-3477 or by e-mail at [thomas.collins@azcleanelections.gov](mailto:thomas.collins@azcleanelections.gov).

Sincerely,

S/Thomas M. Collins

Executive Director  
Citizens Clean Elections Commission

Enclosures

# Hector Jaramillo For State Representative - District 24

Transactions

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| <div><div></div><div>Demographic Information</div></div>   |
| <div><div><div>Filer Name:</div><div>Hector Jaramillo for State Representative - District 24</div><div>Status:</div><div>Active</div></div></div>  |
| <div><div><div>Filer ID:</div><div>101580</div><div>Filer Type:</div><div>Candidate (participating in Clean Elections)</div></div></div>   |
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STATE OF ARIZONA



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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 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.

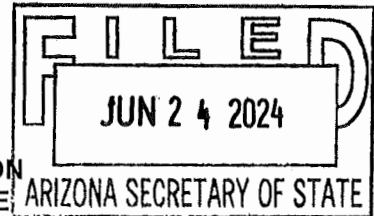


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- ☐ Initial Application  
☐ Amended Application



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



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

COMMITTEE ID NUMBER

**101580**

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|---|--|---|--------------------|----------------|
| NAME OF CANDIDATE<br>HECTOR JARAMILLO   |  |   | DATE<br>06/21/2024 |                |
| OFFICE SOUGHT<br>STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24   | PARTY AFFILIATION                        | ELECTION CYCLE<br>2024                                |                    |                |
| CANDIDATE'S ADDRESS<br>6926 N 74TH AVE  | CITY<br>GLENDALE                         | STATE<br>AZ   | ZIP<br>85303       |                |
| CANDIDATE'S TELEPHONE #<br>(623) 986-4192   | CANDIDATE'S FAX #                        | CANDIDATE'S EMAIL ADDRESS<br>TREASURY4AZHEC@GMAIL.COM |                    |                |
| NAME OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE<br>HECTOR JARAMILLO FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 24  |  |   |                    |                |
| COMMITTEE ADDRESS<br>6926 N 74TH AVE  | CITY<br>GLENDALE                         | STATE<br>AZ   | ZIP<br>85303       |                |
| COMMITTEE MAILING ADDRESS (if different from above)<br>6926 N 74TH AVE  | CITY<br>GLENDALE                         | STATE<br>AZ   | ZIP<br>85303       |                |
| COMMITTEE TELEPHONE #<br>(623) 986-4192   | COMMITTEE FAX #                          | COMMITTEE EMAIL ADDRESS<br>HEC4AZ@GMAIL.COM           |                    |                |
| <del>NAME OF DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL WITH AUTHORITY TO WITHDRAW FUNDS (IF APPLICABLE) (A.R.S. §16-948)</del>  |  |   |                    |                |
| <del>DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S ADDRESS</del>  |  | <del>CITY</del>                                       | <del>STATE</del>   | <del>ZIP</del> |
| <del>DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S TELEPHONE #</del>  | <del>DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S FAX #</del> | <del>DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL'S EMAIL</del>              |                    |                |
| 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<br>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

Date

6/24/24

Committee ID: 101580

Date: 06/21/2024

Form ID: 0000562081

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 Maricopa ) ss.

Candidate's Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day

of June 2024.

Notary Public

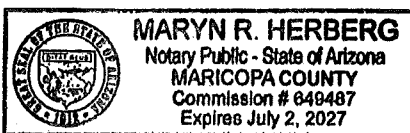
State of Arizona )  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss.

Designated Individual's Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

Notary Public



Thomas M. Collins  
Executive Director



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March 27, 2025

**Via Overnight Mail and E-Mail**

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

Dear Mr. Jaramillo,

Attached is a repayment order signed by the Commission today.

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). Please consult those legal provisions regarding your rights.

Sincerely

S/Thomas M. Collins  
Executive Director

Enclosure

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**STATE OF ARIZONA**  
**CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

Repayment Order (RO25-01)

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 auditor's requests 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 has not provided ~~no~~ documentation of expenditures


1           ~~has been provided~~ and has not filed ~~no~~ campaign finance reports relating to the  
2           funds. Therefore, the Commission determines the full amount of \$31,760 must be  
3           returned. Ariz. 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 prime plus one (1) percent (8.5%) 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 against and repayments from  
25          Respondent.

- 1           9.       If Respondent disputes the Commission's repayment determination, he may request an  
2                   administrative appeal of the determination in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1092, et.  
3                   seq., Ariz. Admin. Code § R2-20-704(C)(2).

4                               Dated this 27 day March 2025.

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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**

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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.

Report Date, 2025

## 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 obtained the Candidate's QPR report 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 report 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 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 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 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 ten (10) 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 selected ten deposits and ten withdrawals from the bank statements for the reporting period and determined that they appeared to be properly recorded in the Candidate's Campaign finance report.

- 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**

The Candidate's 2024 Qualifying Period Recap Report campaign finance report listed a balance of \$2,721.20 at July 30, 2024. The Candidate's campaign bank account statement listed a balance of \$3,680.93 at July 31, 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 ten (10) 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 ten 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) Contractor will judgmentally select ten (10) 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 ten 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 ten 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 ten 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 ten 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**

Four of the expenditures we tested appeared to be for joint expenditures made in conjunction with other candidates, and it appeared that the amount paid represented the Candidate's proportionate share of the total cost.

- 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) Based on a review of records provided under Preliminary Procedures 1(d):

- (i) Identify records required under AA.C R2-20-703.01 respecting consultants.

**Finding**

We identified eleven expenditures that related to consultants, see Appendix A.

- (ii) Determine whether any payments to a consultant were performed consistent with the documentation.

**Finding**

All eleven payments to a consultant tested appeared to be performed consistent with the documentation provided by the Candidate, see Appendix A.

- (iii) Determine whether any excess funds were returned to the candidate as required.

**Finding**

As of June 16, 2025, the Candidate has not returned any excess funds to the Commission.

- (iv) Determine whether any subcontractors or vendors were employed by a consultant or agent of the candidate.

**Finding**

We reviewed all such invoices and determined that subcontractors and/or vendors were used by a consultant or agent of the candidate.

- (v) Determine the amount of money paid to any subcontractor and vendor and the purpose of such payments.

**Finding**

Based on the documentation reviewed, \$4,681,72 was paid to subcontractors and/or vendors, and related to palm cards, mailers, and postage.

- (vi) Review all documents from Gumption Consulting and Ricardo Serna.

**Finding**

We reviewed all documents relating to eleven expenditures paid to Gumption Consulting and Ricardo Serna, see Appendix A.

- Obtain and review the vendor contract or service agreement to understand the scope of work and deliverables.

**Finding**

There was no written contract or service agreement between the Candidate and the Gumption Consulting or Ricardo Serna.

- Review invoices and trace them to supporting documentation (e.g., time sheets, service reports, correspondence, deliverables).

**Finding**

We reviewed all invoices and traced them to the supporting documentation provided by the Candidate, Gumption Consulting, and Ricardo Serna, see Appendix A.

- Identify relevant personnel who could to confirm that services were received and performed satisfactorily.

**Finding**

We spoke to the Candidate and Ricardo Serna and both confirmed that services were received and performed satisfactorily.

- Inspect tangible evidence of service completion or delivery (e.g., reports, completed tasks, work logs, system logs).

**Finding**

We obtained and reviewed tangible evidence of service completion or delivery without exception.

- Reconcile dates of service on invoices with internal schedules, logs, or meeting minutes to verify timing and presence of vendor.

**Finding**

We reconciled dates of service on invoices with internal schedules, logs, or meeting minutes to verify timing and presence of the vendor, see Appendix A.

- Confirm receipt and use of deliverables or work product.

**Finding**

We confirmed receipt and use of the deliverables or work product.

- j) 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 responded with an acceptance of the report as presented.

**Hector Jaramillo**  
**Appendix A**

| <u>Gumption invoice description</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u>       | <u>Bank information</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u>       | <u>State Reporting information</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u>       |
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| Jaramillo #1                        | 4/18/2024   | \$ 300.00           | Cash withdrawal         | 4/26/2024   | \$ 300.00           | Gumption Consulting LLC            | 4/18/2024   | \$ 300.00           |
| Jaramillo #2 Gumption Invoice       | 5/1/2024    | 530.00              | Cash withdrawal         | 5/2/2024    | 530.00              | Gumption Consulting LLC            | 5/2/2024    | 530.00              |
| Jaramillo #3 Gumption Invoice       | 7/17/2024   | 1,200.00            | Check                   | 7/17/2024   | 1,200.00            | Gumption Consulting LLC            | 7/17/2024   | 1,200.00            |
| Jaramillo #4 12 Gumption Invoice    | 7/24/2024   | 1,407.90            | Check                   | 7/25/2024   | 30,000.00           | Gumption Consulting LLC            | 7/25/2024   | 30,000.00           |
| Jaramillo #4 22 Gumption Invoice    | 7/24/2024   | 1,959.39            |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| LD24 #1 12 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 703.95              |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| LD24 #1 22 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 979.69              |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| LD24 #2 12 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 703.95              |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| LD24 #2 22 Gumption Invoice         | 7/24/2024   | 979.70              |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| Jaramillo #5 Gumption Invoice       | 7/26/2024   | 12,000.00           |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| Jaramillo #6 Gumption Invoice       | 7/30/2024   | 8,750.00            |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| Jaramillo #7 Gumption Invoice       | 7/30/2024   | 2,515.42            |                         |             |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                  |             | <b>\$ 32,030.00</b> | <b>Grand Total</b>      |             | <b>\$ 32,030.00</b> | <b>Grand Total</b>                 |             | <b>\$ 32,030.00</b> |



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***MEMORANDUM***

**To: Commissioners**

**From: Tom Collins, Executive Director**

**Date: 8/25/2025**

**Subject: Summary of Conciliation Agreement Terms for MUR 25-01 (Jaramillo) and MUR 25-02 (Abeytia)**

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This memo briefly summarizes the key points of the Executive Director's Recommended Conciliation Agreements in the matters identified above.

The agreements are intended to recognize the seriousness of the Respondents actions in failing to meet their obligations to file timely complete reports and provide timely information to Commission staff and auditors. The agreements do that chiefly by assessing a financial penalty in each matter and by requiring that each Respondent agree not to seek or accept Clean Elections Funding again. This second point is, in the Executive Director's view, a serious sanction that demonstrates to the public that the receiving monies from the fund comes with responsibilities.

The agreements required amended campaign finance reports to provide details on the expenditures candidates made. They also allow further action in the event of a default. Respondent Abeytia also is required to repay excess funds.

Jaramillo

- Respondent shall pay a fine of \$2,500. That fine shall be paid in installments of no less than \$52 per month for 48 months beginning October 1, 2025 with a final payment of the remaining balance due at the end of that period.
- Respondent shall amend his campaign finance reports to reflect the payments to her contractor identified in the audit report attached as Exhibit C and incorporated into this agreement.
- Respondent agrees not to seek or accept Clean Elections funding in any other election.

Abeytia

- Respondent shall pay a fine of \$5,000. That fine shall be paid in installments of no less than \$104.00 per month for 48 months beginning October 1, 2025 with a final payment of the remaining balance due at the end of that period.
- Respondent shall pay \$2082.37 within 30 days of the authorization of this agreement by the Commission in repayment.
- Respondent shall amend her campaign finance reports to reflect the payments to her\ contractor identified in the audit report attached as Exhibit B and incorporated into this agreement.
- Respondent agrees not to seek or accept Clean Elections funding in any other election.

**AGENCY RECEIPT**  
**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**  
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**Rulemaking Action:**

R2-20-106

Amend

R2-20-706

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5. **The rules contained in this package are true and correct as made.**

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Signature of Agency Chief Executive Officer in ink

6-04-2025  
Date of signing

Tom Collins  
Printed or typed name of signer

Executive Director  
Title of signer

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CHAPTER 20. CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

PREAMBLE

**1. Permission to proceed with this proposed rulemaking was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1039(E)(2)(c), the Commission is not required to obtain permission to proceed with this rulemaking.

**2. Article, Part, or Section Affected (as applicable)                      Rulemaking Action**

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| R2-20-106 | Amend       |
| R2-20-706 | New Section |

**3. Citations to the agency's statutory rulemaking authority to include the authorizing statute (general) and the implementing statute (specific):**

Authorizing statute: A.R.S. § 16-956(A)(6)  
 Implementing statute: A.R.S. §§ 16-948, 16-953

**4. Citations to all related notices published in the *Register* that pertain to the current record of the proposed rule:**

Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: XX

**5. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the rulemaking:**

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 Title: Executive Director  
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**6. An agency's justification and reason why a rule should be made, amended, repealed or renumbered, to include an explanation about the rulemaking:**

The purpose of the new rule (R2-20-706) is to solve a problem created by the fact that the mandated reporting periods for campaign finance reports do not coincide with the issuance of funds for participating candidates from the Clean Elections Fund. The result is that a participating candidate who does not report timely after the issuance of funds may delay the Commission and the public from learning how they are making expenditures. The new rule ensures that the

candidates will know that timely compliance with reporting obligations is critical to their agreement to participate. In parallel, the amendment to R2-20-106 provides candidates will have to attest to their compliance and understanding of their obligations once clean elections funding has been provided.

**7. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and proposes either to rely on or not to rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:**

N/A

**8. A showing of good cause why the rulemaking is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rulemaking will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:**

N/A

**9. The preliminary summary of the economic, small business, and consumer impact:**

There is little to no economic, small business, or consumer impact, other than the cost to the Commission to prepare the rule package, because the rulemaking simply clarifies statutory requirements and processes that already exist. Thus, the economic impact is minimized

**10. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the economic, small business and consumer impact statement:**

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**11. The time, place, and nature of the proceedings to make, amend, repeal, or renumber the rule, or if no proceeding is scheduled, where, when, and how persons may request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule:**

The Commission will accept comments during business hours at its office address provided below through the end of the oral proceeding August 28, 2025. Comments will also be accepted via email at the email address provided under Item #5. Mailed written comments shall be postmarked within 30 days of this published notice.

An oral proceeding regarding the proposed rules will be held as follows:

Date: August 28, 2025  
Time: 10:00 AM  
Location: Citizens Clean Elections Commission

1110 W. Washington St.

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

**12. All agencies shall list other matters prescribed by statute applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules. Additionally, an agency subject to Council review under A.R.S. §§ 41-1052 and 41-1055 shall respond to the following questions:**

None

**a. Whether the rule requires a permit, whether a general permit is used and if not, the reasons why a general permit is not used:**

N/A

**b. Whether a federal law is applicable to the subject of the rule, whether the rule is more stringent than federal law and if so, citation to the statutory authority to exceed the requirements of federal law:**

N/A

**c. Whether a person submitted an analysis to the agency that compares the rule's impact of the competitiveness of business in this state to the impact on business in other states:**

N/A

**13. A list of any incorporated by reference material as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1028 and its location in the rules:**

None

**14. The full text of the rules follows:**

Rule text begins on the next page.

**TITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION**  
**CHAPTER 20. CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**  
**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section

R2-20-106. Distribution of Funds to Certified Candidates

**ARTICLE 7. USE OF FUNDS AND REPAYMENT**

R2-20-706. ~~Repealed~~ Rebuttable Presumption of Funds Used for Direct Campaign Expenses



## ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

### R2-20-106. Distribution of Funds to Certified Candidates

- A.** The Commission staff shall not authorize any disbursements to a participating candidate's campaign account until that candidate submits a sworn, notarized statement stating that under penalty of perjury:
1. All campaign finance reports have been filed.
  2. All campaign finance reports are complete and accurate including all reporting requirements related to vendors and subcontractors.
  3. All conditions related to the use consultants have been met.
  4. Stipulating that, once funding is authorized, the Commission may make a rebuttable presumption pursuant to R2-20-706 that a candidate has not used funds for direct campaign expenses within five days after the failure file a campaign finance report.
- B.** Before the initial disbursement of funds, the Commission shall review the candidate's funding application and all relevant facts and circumstances and:
1. Verify that the number of signatures on the candidate's nominating petitions equals or exceeds the number required pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-322 as follows:
    - a. If the application is submitted before the March 1 voter registration list is determined, the Commission shall verify that the number of signatures on the candidate's nominating petitions equals or exceeds 115 percent of the number required pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-322 based on the prior election voter registration list as determined by the Secretary of State; or
    - b. If the application is submitted after the current year March 1 voter registration list is determined, the Commission shall verify that the number of signatures on the candidate's nominating petitions is equal to or greater than the number required pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-322.
  2. Determine that the required number of qualifying contributions have been received and paid to the Secretary of State for deposit in the Fund; and
  3. Determine whether the candidate is opposed in the election.
- ~~B.C.~~** In making the determinations described in subsection ~~(A)(3)-(B)(3)~~, the Commission shall consider all relevant facts and circumstances, and it shall not be bound by election formalities such as the filing of nominating petitions by others in determining whether an applicant is opposed. Among other evidence the Commission may consider is the existence of exploratory committees or filings made to organize campaign committees of opponents and other like indicia.
- ~~C.D.~~** The Commission may review and affirm or change its determination that the candidate is or is not opposed until the ballot for the election is established.

D.E. Within seven days after a primary election and before the Secretary of State completes the canvass, the Commission shall disburse funds for general election campaigns to the participating candidates who received the greatest number of votes at each primary election, provided that the candidate with the highest number of votes out of the total number of votes, has at least two percentage points greater than the candidate with the next highest votes based on the unofficial results as of that date. In a legislative race for the Arizona House of Representatives, the Commission shall disburse funds for general election campaigns to participating candidates with the highest or second highest number of votes cast, provided such candidate received votes totaling at least two percentage points, of the total ballots cast, larger than the vote total cast for the candidate with the third highest vote total.

E.F. Promptly after the Secretary of State completes the canvass, the Commission shall disburse funds for general election campaigns to all eligible participating candidates to whom payment has not been made. If a participating candidate has received funds from the Commission pursuant to subsection ~~(D)~~ (E) and the canvass or recount determines that the candidate is not eligible to appear on the general election ballot, the participating candidate shall return all unused funds to the Fund within 10 days after such determination is made. That candidate shall make no expenditures from general election funds from the date of the canvass.

F.G. The Commission may refuse to distribute funds to participating candidates in cases in which the Commission finds evidence of fraud or illegal activity committed by the participating candidate.

G.H. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-953, a participating candidate shall return to the Fund:

1. All primary election funds not committed to expenditures (1) during the primary election period; and (2) for goods or services directed to the primary election. A candidate shall not be deemed to have violated A.R.S. § 16-953(A) or this subsection on account of failure to use all materials purchased with primary election funds prior to the primary election, provided such candidate exercises good faith and diligent efforts to comply with the requirement that goods and services purchased with primary election funds be directed to the primary election. Subject to A.R.S. § 16-953(A) and this subsection, a candidate may continue to use goods purchased with primary election funds during the general election period.
2. All general funds not committed to expenditures (1) during the general election period; and (2) for goods or services directed to the general election.

H.I. All funds returned to the Commission pursuant to subsection ~~(G)~~ (H) of this rule, shall be returned to the Fund by a cashier's check drawn on the candidate's campaign bank account. Any fee associated with the issuance of a cashier's check shall be deemed a direct campaign expenditure and reported on the candidate's campaign finance report.

I.J. If a participating candidate does not account for any outstanding expenditures in the amount of the funds returned to the Commission, the participating candidate must reconcile the outstanding expenditures with personal monies. Once funds

have been returned to the Commission, no further reimbursements from the Clean Elections Fund shall be permitted.

Participating candidates may not exceed the primary or general election spending limits.

**J.K.** Commission staff may waive the return of funds if:

1. The Commission staff determines the amount to be returned is de minimus;
2. The Commission staff determines the cost of recovery exceeds the amount of the return;
3. The funds to be returned shall not exceed \$25; and
4. The Commission is notified of any waiver of the return of funds.

**R2-20-706. ~~Repealed~~ Rebuttable Presumption of Funds Used for Direct Campaign Expenses**

Once a participating candidate receives clean elections funding, the Commission may make a rebuttable presumption that the participating candidate has not used funds for direct campaign expenses within five days after the participating candidate fails to file a timely campaign finance report.