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Memorandum

TO: State Board Members
FROM: Division of Candidacy and Campaign Finance
DATE: October 26, 2023
SUBJECT: Waiver of late filing fees standards

Enclosed are the waiver requests, which were submitted by campaign committees that have been assessed late filing fees. The attached Waiver Request Information Page contains an overview of each committee as well as the Administrator's recommendation for Board approval on granting a waiver request.

In the past the Board has considered the following facts in determining whether just cause exists to grant a waiver.

- Administrative error of any kind on the part of the Division.
- The lateness is due to extenuating circumstances, i.e. physical illness or death in the family.
- The late report is the first late report and allows the committee to close, or contains minimal financial activity.
- The fee will cause undue financial hardship, if the liability of the fine is the personal responsibility of the officers.
- Computer problems occurred which made timely filing impossible. However, the filer still must have demonstrated a good faith effort to timely file.

Prior to the meeting please review each waiver request. Note the recommendations that you may disagree with or have questions on that you would like to discuss.

Pursuant to Election Law Article §13-337 (b) (3), the State Administrator has denied zero waiver request. No Board action is required on the denials. As of 10/17/23, SBE has collected \$114,047.00 in late fees year to date. SBE collected \$5,755.00 for the month of October in late fees.

Please feel free to contact me at 410-269-2853 if you have any questions.

Waiver List

1. Aquino, Frank J. Friends of
2. Bair, (Margaret) Peggy Citizens for
3. BerzoffCohen, Zeke Friends of
4. Calvert County Democratic Central Committee
5. Clark, Gerald Friends of
6. Cogen, Sam Citizens for
7. Delimater (Joseph) Sheriff
8. DePalo, Philip Dr. Citizens for
9. Donald, Jerry Citizens for
10. Eastside 45 Slate
11. Frederick County Republican Central Committee
12. Fugett, Tony Friends for
13. Get Pamela Turner-Tingle to the BOE
14. Hahn, Melissa For The BOE District D
15. Hruz, Jean Citizens to Elect
16. Jemmott, Adriane Friends of
17. McGrady, Patrick Friends of
18. Miller, April Friends of
19. NAIOP Maryland PAC
20. OShea, Bob Committee to Elect
21. Phelps, Nancy Committee to Elect
22. Rehman, Saifur (Saif) Friends of
23. Sesker, Everett Citizens for
24. White, Antoine Citizens for
25. Yoho, Karen Citizens for
26. Young, Calvin Supporters of

Committee for Closure OSP Decline to Prosecute

CCF ID	Committee Name	Committee Type	Fees
01012808	Witherspoon Antwine, Candace Friends of	Campaign Committee	\$7,000.00
01013732	Christensen, Augusta Friends of	Campaign Committee	\$00
01010816	Sanchez, Carlo Friends of	Campaign Committee	\$7,335.00
01013203	Jones II, James Hugh Citizens For	Campaign Committee	\$8,000.00
01007068	Owens-Bey, Ronald M. East Baltimoreans for the Election of	Campaign Committee	\$2,640.00
01014471	James, Peter for MoCo	Campaign Committee	\$280.00
01014606	Smero, Kathleen Citizens For	Campaign Committee	\$3000.00
01014715	Johnson Thomas, Shelley for School Board	Campaign Committee	\$4,000.00

Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Aquino, Frank J. Friends of	
CCF ID:	01002754	Status: Active
Date Established	12/19/03	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Regina Bruzdinski	Start Date: 12/19/03
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Frank Aquino	12/19/03
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual Audit		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
				Total: \$40.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
10/28/22	\$20	paid	N/A
1/15/20	\$100	paid	N/A

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/17/24	\$311.00	\$0	\$101.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer stated they were working with the auditor, and they thought what they filed in August was sufficient.

Division Comments

Grant, the committee has worked diligently with the auditor to resolve all issues.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$40.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I had been working with Ms. Hanzook on correcting the deficiency report and filed an amended report on August 7th. I thought when I submitted that report that was all I needed to do and Ms. Hanzook stated that the rest was up to the State. Once I received notification of the late filing on 8/11/23 I attempted to contact Ms. Hanzook but she did not reply until 8/12. I then filed on 8/12. I was under the impression that what I had filed on 8/7/23 was all that I needed to do to meet the filing deadline.

Print Name and Date: *

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Regina Bruzdinski

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Bair, (Margaret) Peggy Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01014012	Status: Active
Date Established	1/11/22	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Barbara Norman	Start Date: 1/11/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Margaret Bair	1/11/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual Audit		8/14/23	\$80	\$80
			\$	\$
				Total: \$80.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$75	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states they did not file the amendment because they were waiting for directions from the auditor on how to proceed.

Division Comments

Grant, issues that delayed the filing of the report have been resolved.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

80.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Since January 2023 I have been corresponding and speaking with Lisa Hanzook. More recently I received the Deficiency Report Notice and submitted requested paperwork to Ms. Hanzook. On 8/4, I asked Ms. Hanzook if there's been any resolution. I was advised she was on vacation and I called Ms. Zagorski. Her mailbox was full. I did not file the amendment because I was waiting on a response on how to proceed. Ms. Hanzook then advised me to file the amendment with the same information and said Ms. Zagorski never answered her. I am requesting a waiver to this fee and begging for someone to help close out this campaign account.

Print Name and Date: *

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Barabara Norman 8/14/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	BerzoffCohen, Zeke Friends of	
CCF ID:	01011064	Status: Active
Date Established	9/29/14	
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Ginny Lawhorn	Start Date: 2/14/23
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Raymond Kelly	7/17/23
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual		9/27/23	\$1000	\$1000
2022 Post General		9/27/23	\$1000	\$1000
2022 Pre General 2		9/27/23	\$1000	\$1000
2022 Annual		9/27/23	\$1000	\$1000
2021 Annual		9/27/23	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$5000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2016 Pre-Primary 1	\$20	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$132,871.00	\$1,334.00	\$372,351.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer stated they needed time to collect information to ensure accurate numbers for the audit.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$5,000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

The campaign submitted the documentation late after it needed additional time to ensure accurate collection and organization of contributor and contribution information. Delays were largely related to summer vacation schedules. Once the violations were realized, the campaign treasurer and campaign manager worked closely with Financial Compliance Auditor Lisa Hanzook to resolve the violations and submit the filings with the state of Maryland. At this time, all violations are resolved and amendments submitted. In order to prevent future violations, the campaign instituted compliance controls such as weekly recurring campaign finance and compliance meetings, included future submission deadlines on shared campaign calendars to ensure all campaign team members are aware of compliance issues, and built relationships with compliance professionals should future issues need to be addressed.

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Charlie Goldstein 9/30/23

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Calvert County Democratic Central Committee	
CCF ID:	05007525	Status: Active
Date Established	1/01/1901	
Date Waiver Requested	9/12/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Collin Berglund	Start Date: 5/19/23
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Cindy Yoe	85/23/23
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-Primary 1		6/29/23	\$175	\$175
2022 Pre-Primary 2		6/29/23	\$175	\$175
2022 Pre-General 1		6/29/23	\$175	\$175
2022 Annual Audit		6/29/23	\$175	\$175
2021 Annual Audit		6/29/23	\$175	\$175
				Total: \$875.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2023 Annual	\$1000	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$170	\$4,803	\$957	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee stated the new officers had just taken over and were getting up to speed when the report was due.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

175.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Chair and Treasurer had just taken over their positions and we getting up to speed. Thought the date to file the amendment was June 29, 2023. Our 2023 Annual Report had not been filed by the previous officers and there was a lot to work on.

Print Name and Date: *

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Cindy Yoe

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Clark, Gerald Friends of	
CCF ID:	01011523	Status: Active
Date Established	11/16/19	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Margaret Clark	Start Date: 11/16/19
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Gerald Clark	11/16/19
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General 2		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
2022 Pre-General 1		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
2022 Pre-Primary 2		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
2022 Pre-Primary 1		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
2022 Annual		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
2021 Annual		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
				Total: \$600.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Post General	\$20	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/17/24	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states system discrepancies which caused the auditor to place a ticket for system review.

Division Comments

Grant, the report was delayed due to a technical issue that has been resolved.

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$600.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Ignorance and confusion! I didn't understand that there was a time limit on these reports. I called Lisa several times for help! Please!

Print Name and Date: *

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Margaret Clark

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Cogen, Sam Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01013879	Status: Active
Date Established	11/04/21	
Date Waiver Requested	9/18/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Octavius Smith	Start Date: 11/04/21
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Samuel Cogen	11/04/21
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-Primary 1		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Annual		9/20/23	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$1020.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
10/28/22	\$80	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
10/28/22	\$15,285.00	\$13,502.00	\$6,433.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states they had a change of address and did not receive the notice.

Division Comments

Grant, the change of address was not updated in the system by the officer.

Administrator's Decision

State of Maryland



Late Fee Waiver Request Form

Instructions: Please print clearly or type. If you assert as the basis for the request that you were personally unable to file the report, please explain why the other responsible parties could not file the report. Please limit your request to this document only. *Requests may only be made by the committee chairman, treasurer or candidate.

Campaign Account Name: Citizen for Sam Cohen Account Number: _____

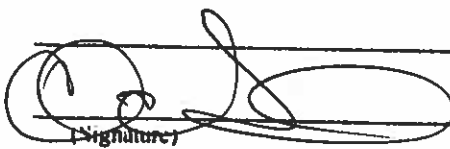
Date of Request: 9/18/23 Total Amount of late fees: \$ 1,000

Name of the Requestor(s)*: Octavius Smith

The Requestor is the: Chairman Treasurer Candidate

Waiver of late fees for the following Campaign Finance Report(s): 01/19/22
Annual Report

The basis for the request: I had a change of address, so I did not receive it. My new address is 1207 Sargeant St, Baltimore, MD 21223


(Signature)

9/18/23
(Date)

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Date Rcvd: _____	Date Heard: _____
Verification: _____	
Bd. Decision: _____	

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Delimater (Joseph) Sheriff	
CCF ID:	01014401	Status: Active
Date Established	3/07/22	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Sherrie Ward	Start Date: 3/07/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Joseph Delimater	3/07/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Post General		8/15/23	\$100	\$100
2022 Pre-Primary 2		8/15/23	100	\$100
				Total: \$200.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Post General	\$60	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/17/24	\$0	\$517.00	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states there was a miscommunication in what was to be provided and when it was due.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

200.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I believe there was a miscommunication in what was to be provided and at what time - please waive these late fees.

Print Name and Date: *

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Sherrie Ward 8/15/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	DePalo, Philip Dr. Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01014640	Status: Active
Date Established	4/14/22	
Date Waiver Requested	9/13/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Jacob Serfas	Start Date: 4/14/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Philip Depale	4/14/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual Audit		9/11/23	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Post General	\$20	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$0	\$1,156.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states they are newbies to this process and did not know they had made a clerical error.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

1000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Hi, we are new to this process and apparently we left the bank balance field blank as a 0 vs the the 1156.58. We were not aware of how to even amend this, but have done so at this point. We apologize for this clerical error as newbies to this whole process. We'd appreciate a waiver of the 1000 fee as that pretty eliminates our entire campaign balance or at the very least we would certainly be willing to submit the \$20 fee for the original late fee.

Print Name and Date:

*

By printing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and under the penalties of perjury.

Philip DePalo 9/11/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Donald, Jerry Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01009817	Status: Active
Date Established	1/22/14	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Beverley Donald	Start Date: 1/22/14
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Jerry Donald	1/22/14
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Post General			\$20	\$20
2022 Pre-General 2			\$20	\$20
2022 Pre-Primary 1			\$20	\$20
2022 Annual Audit			\$20	\$20
2021 Annual Audit			\$20	\$20
				Total: \$100.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$720.00	\$4,241.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states they made the correction and save them, they did not realize the report needed to be submitted.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$125

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

We made the correct fixes and saved them a month before the due date, thinking that was all we needed to do. We didn't know we had to then submit them as well. When we got the email saying we had not submitted things correctly we called, found out our mistake and immediately submitted everything correctly within hours of receiving the email that we had not done things correctly. The treasurer, Beverly, also has Covid, which made it stressful. Thanks for considering this request.

Print Name and Date: *

By printing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and under the penalties of perjury.

Jerry Donald

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Eastside45 Slate	
CCF ID:	02014333	Status: Active
Date Established	2/22/22	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Sonja Harris	Start Date: 2/22/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Ronald Allen	2/22/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual		5/29/23	\$635	\$635
2022 Post General		5/29/23	\$635	\$635
2022 Pre-General 2		5/29/23	\$635	\$635
2022 Pre-General 1		5/29/23	\$635	\$635
				Total: \$2,540.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Pre-Primary 1	\$1000	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/17/24	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states they are requesting a waiver due to system discrepancies which caused the auditor to place a ticket for system review.

Division Comments

Grant, the report was delayed due to a technical issue that has been resolved.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$2540.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Due to system discrepancies that cause Diane to place ticket for system review

Print Name and Date: *

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Chanel Branch 8/14/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Frederick County Republican Central Committee	
CCF ID:	05007596	Status: Active
Date Established	1/01/1901	
Date Waiver Requested	9/12/23	
Account Type	Party Central Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Colt Black	Start Date: 12/12/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Jesse Pippy	11/23/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General 1		6/22/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Annual		6/22/23	\$20	\$20
				Total: \$40.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2020 Pre-Primary 2	\$40	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$36,670.00	\$4,244.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states he did not receive a deficiency notice but was informed by the chairman

Division Comments

Grant, notices were mailed and emailed to the address on record.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

40.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

As treasurer I never received a deficiency notice. I was notified by the Chairman of this issue on the day it was due. I attempted to reach the campaign finance office about the issue but staff was working remotely and unavailable to assist. We was able to correct these reports the following day after being due. These errors was on the part of prior committee before I took over, and therefore was unknown to current committee. Please give us consideration in waving this fee.

Print Name and Date: *

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Colt Black 9/7/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Fugett, Tony Friends for	
CCF ID:	01014574	Status: Active
Date Established	4/05/22	
Date Waiver Requested	9/12/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Andrew Snyder	Start Date: 4/05/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Anthony Fugett	4/05/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General		8/18/23	\$175	\$175
2022 Pre-Primary 2		8/18/23	\$175	\$175
2022 Pre-Primary 1		8/18/23	\$175	\$175
				Total: \$525.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2023 Annual	\$40	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/17/24	\$0	\$1,519.00	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states they did not see the notices until they attempted to close the account.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$525.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Our campaign provided all information timely and we did not see the notices until we attempted to close the account. once notified all errors were corrected . The errors were timing of bank deposits and employee information for contributors. We thank you in advance for your consideration

Print Name and Date: *

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Anthony Fugett 09/07/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Get Pamela Turner-Tingle to the BOE	
CCF ID:	01013501	Status: Active
Date Established	8/06/20	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Shawan Burke	Start Date: 8/27/20
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Pam Turner	8/06/20
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Annual Audit		N/A	\$20	\$20
2024 Annual Audit		8/14/23	\$80	\$80
				Total: \$100.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Annual	\$1000	waived	Yes
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/17/24	\$0	\$167.00	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The candidate states they thought the account was closed.

Division Comments

Grant upon the filing of the 2024 audit report.

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

80

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

The account is closed and previous fees have been paid

Print Name and Date: *

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Pamela Turner-Tingle

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Hahn, Melissa For The BOE District D	
CCF ID:	01013765	Status: Active
Date Established	8/13/21	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	John Hahn	Start Date: 8/13/21
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Melissa Hahn	8/13/21
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Post General		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Pre-General 2		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Pre-General 1		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Pre-Primary 2		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
				Total: \$100.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$950.00	9\$1,981.00)	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states as they were dealing with the death of a close family friend they did not check their emails.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

100.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I had not checked my email and was unaware of the information that was due. We had a death of a very close family friend a few days ago (08/06/23). Both my treasurer and I were dealing with that situation and didn't get on email to check anything. As soon as I logged on and was aware I called as I could not get in my account as the email address is incorrect as well.

Print Name and Date: *

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Melissa Hahn

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Hruz, Jean Citizens to Elect	
CCF ID:	01014445	Status: Active
Date Established	3/14/22	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Pamela Hruz	Start Date: 3/14/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Jean Hruz	3/14/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General 2 Audit		9/01/23	\$785	\$785
2022 Pre-Primary 2 Audit		9/01/23	\$785	\$785
2022 Pre-Primary 1 Audit		9/01/23	\$785	\$785
				Total: \$2,355.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$360.00	\$674.00	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states that neither officer received or noticed the email advising of the report due.

Division Comments

Grant, notices were mailed and emailed to the address on file.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$60

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Neither myself nor my Treasurer received or noticed the email advising of report due

Print Name and Date: *

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Jean Hruz 8/11/23

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Jemmott, Adriane Friends of	
CCF ID:	01014441	Status: Active
Date Established	3/04/22	
Date Waiver Requested	10/01/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Jean Halstead	Start Date: 3/04/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Adriane Jemmott	3/04/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General 1 Audit		9/13/23	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
8/30/22	\$40	paid	N/A
10/28/2022	\$80	paid	N/A

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$56.00	\$253.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states he filed the one report but did not realize the other report also needed to be filed.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision



Fwd: Request for Waiver of Fines State Board of Elections COMPLETE REQUEST

1 message

ccf sbe -SBE- <ccf.sbe@maryland.gov>

Mon, Oct 2, 2023 at 11:08 AM

To: Jessica Perkins -SBE- <jessica.perkins@maryland.gov>, Victorica Smith -SBE- <victorica.smith@maryland.gov>

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **JP Halstead** <jeanpaulhalstead@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Oct 1, 2023 at 12:53 PM

Subject: Request for Waiver of Fines State Board of Elections COMPLETE REQUEST

To: <ccf.sbe@maryland.gov>

Cc: Adriane Jemmott <acjlawccan@gmail.com>, Adriane Jemmott <friendsofadrianejemmott@gmail.com>

Pardon the second email. The previously sent email was incomplete and sent in error. Please see the completed request for waiver below.

Good afternoon,

I am the treasurer of Jemmott, Friends of Adriane. We are in receipt of your communications regarding filing an amended report for 8/22/23 which has incurred the maximum fine of \$1000.00. We are writing to request that you waive these fines.

There were 2 amended reports requested to be filed by August 10, 2023. I timely filed one report but due to personal circumstances did not realize that the second report also needed to be filed.

Since August 2022 the candidate has been experiencing a family crisis in that her aging parent had to be hospitalized multiple times between August 2022 and March 2023 due to congestive heart failure, kidney failure and other complications. In March 2023, a pacemaker surgery helped to stabilize these conditions. However, there were additional hospitalizations in April and September 2023. This parent also entered hospice care in June 2023. As a result of caregiving and work responsibilities the candidate has been unable to follow up on correspondence.

I missed the report deadline as a result of personal issues including the death of an immediate family member on my end as well (my grandmother passed away in July 2023, which resulted in immediate travel out of the country and an extended period of professional leave. I also was dealing with a potential divorce at the time. These events left me in an incapable mental state which left me unable to focus and complete the report in a timely manner. My health professional recommended that I focus on my mental health as much as possible.

Therefore, I request that you waive all fines based on the extenuating circumstances described above and the fact that this would be an additional hardship to both the candidate and myself as the responsible officers.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about this request.

Thank you

Jean Paul Halstead

[10936 Hilltop Lane](#)

Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	McGrady, Patrick Friends Of	
CCF ID:	01005328	Status: Active
Date Established	8/25/09	
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Michael Perrone	Start Date: 8/25/09
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Patrick McGrady	8/25/09
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-Primary 2 Audit		N/A	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
1/18/23	\$40	paid	N/A
10/28/22	\$485.00	paid	N/A

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
7/08/22	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states there is a \$10 balance that they can not identify, they want to close out account and resolve this issue.

Division Comments

The waiver will be granted upon the filing of the audit report.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

1000+

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Hi there- there is a years old \$10.00 balance that I cannot identify. I want to close this account and I need to resolve this in order to do so.

Print Name and Date: *

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Patrick McGrady 10/5/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Miller, April Friends of	
CCF ID:	01013726	Status: Active
Date Established	7/16/21	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Kay Dallavalle	Start Date: 7/16/21
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	April Miller	7/16/21
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General Audit		8/14/23	\$80	\$80
				Total: \$80.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$500.00	\$6,000.00	\$115.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states they didn't file timely because they didn't receive a notice the report was due.

Division Comments

Grant, notices were mailed and emailed to the address on file.

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$100.00 I'm not sure of the amount

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I never received the email telling me there was a problem. The email that I received telling me I was late was in my junk email box which I very seldom look at. I searched all my email boxes for any emails from the State and I had one on May 26 telling me there was to be an audit and the one telling me I was late. I called April Miller to see if she had anything from the State about the problem. She had checked the P.O. Box for any notification and she said there was none. I couldn't file on time because no one knew there was a problem. I have always filed on time.

Print Name and Date: *

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Kay Dallavalle August 15, 2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	NAIOP Maryland PAC	
CCF ID:	03007804	Status: Active
Date Established	4/22/87	
Date Waiver Requested	09/27/23	
Account Type	PAC Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Owen Rouse	Start Date: 10/11/18
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Brendan Gill	10/11/18
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2023 Annual		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2022 Post General		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2022 Pre-General 2		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2022 Pre-Primary 2		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2022 Pre-General 1		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2022 Pre-Primary 1		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2022 Annual		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
2021 Annual		5/22/22	\$315	\$315
				Total: \$2,520.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2020 Pre-Primary 1	\$60	paid	N/A
2018 Post General	\$80	paid	N/A

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$5,170.00	\$214.00	\$19,130.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states they have worked diligently to bring the account into compliance and request leniency when you consider the waiver.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

2,520.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

We have worked vigorously to clear up any old errors that has compiled through the years to bring our accounts into compliance. All errors and an audits have identified the errors and we have worked with the department to bring everything in compliance and in order. We hope by our sincerity and by our illustrated efforts to be transparent we could receive some leniency on these fines. Thank you for your consideration.

Print Name and Date:



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Tim O'Ferrall

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	OShea, Bob Committee to Elect	
CCF ID:	01012636	Status: Active
Date Established	2/27/18	
Date Waiver Requested	9/13/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Michael Leys	Start Date: 2/27/18
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Brandon Wright	2/27/18
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-Primary 1 Audit		9/11/23	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2018 Pre-Primary 2	\$70	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$250.00	\$32.00	\$238.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The candidate states the treasurer's email was turned off and they missed the report by mistake.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

My committee apologizes for this issue from our committee. Mike's email has been turned off which is not MD Election Boards issue. Brandon usually gets these, and we respond immediately. SORRY for the miss on this one. It appears that Mike did not put the BOA account balance last June. Thanks to Erin on your staff (she was GREAT), we have amended the error and looks like we are all balanced. If the board could please rescind the late fee it would be highly appreciated. On a compliance issue that was not caught until your help (forgot to check a spot) previously you have helped. Again, sorry for the error and late response getting back. The reason for keeping the account open is the potential of running for office down the road and wanted to be ready to go if that happens.

Thank You for your consideration on this request.

Bob O'Shea
443-831-0596

A suggestion - The MD election website is pretty good. There are times when missing something the website says you need to address an error. You would think before we submit it would say an account is out of balance do you want to correct or submit. This way when I make a mistake we do not find out until a year later we have an issue. Also should at least inform the candidate that there is an issue that needs to be addresses in the Tasks area.

Thanks for the consideration to our mistake in filing.

Bob O'Shea
Upcoming Potential Candidate :-)
443-831-0596

Print Name and Date: *

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Robert O'Shea, Jr.

Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Phelps, Nancy Committee to Elect	
CCF ID:	01014309	Status: Active
Date Established	2/18/22	
Date Waiver Requested	9/13/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Joshua Phelps	Start Date: 2/18/22
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Nancy Phelps	2/18/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-General 2		9/11/23	\$1000	\$1000
2022 Pre-General 1		9/11/23	\$1000	\$1000
2022 Pre-Primary 1		9/11/23	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$3000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Post General	\$60	paid	N/A
2022 Pre-Primary 1	\$20	paid	N/A

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$1,000.00	\$16.00	\$1,595.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The treasurer states they filed the report on time and have confirmation of the filing. The treasurer resubmitted the report which he feels changed the time of submission.

Division Comments

Grant, confirmation of reports filed on July 29, 2023, has been received.

Administrator's Decision

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Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

3000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I completed the amendment and filed it to state well before the deadline but it shows that it is late. I have email confirmation that the report was successfully filed to state and I have forwarded that email to Erin Dennis and I would be happy to provide more details. I submitted the report on July 29th however it shows in the system that it was late. I re-submitted today and have the same confirmation email that I received on July 29th, and have verbal confirmation that Erin saw it was pending from Today, September 11. Being that I received the same confirmation from July 29th that I did today on September 11th with verbal confirmation, this shows that the report was filed well before the posted deadline.

Print Name and Date:

*

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Joshua Phelps - September 11, 2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Rehman, Saifur (Saif) Friends of	
CCF ID:	01011875	Status: Active
Date Established	8/24/17	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Sana Rehman	Start Date: 8/24/17
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Saifur Rehman	8/24/17
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report Audits	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-Primary 2		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
2022 Pre-Primary 1		8/11/23	\$20	\$20
				Total: \$40.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
7/08/22	\$0	\$667.00	\$944.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states reports were filed on time, they were given instructions to refile with corrections.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *

Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

40.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

Amendment filed on time. Refilled with instructions for correct fields.

Print Name and Date: *

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Saifur Rehman - 08/11/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Sesker, Everett Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01013624	Status: Active
Date Established	4/14/21	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Jessie Sesker	Start Date: 1/27/23
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Everett Sesker	4/14/21
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Post General			\$100	\$100
2022 Pre-Primary 1			\$100	\$100
				Total: \$200.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$110.00	\$671.00	(\$120.00)	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states they thought they had completed the filing, but upon receiving the notice realized they had missed a step.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

200.00

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I mistakenly thought that I had completed the filing but realized too late that I also had to file and amendment for the 06/14/2022 period. I am a small campaign and as you see, the fine will take half of my balance. Sorry for the mistake on my part but it was not intentional.

Print Name and Date: *

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Everett Sesker 08/15/2022

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	White, Antoine Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01013387	Status: Active
Date Established	1/23/20	
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	George Carter	Start Date: 1/23/20
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Antoine White	2/02/22
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2021 Annual Audit		8/02/21	\$1000	\$1000
				Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2023 Annual	\$140.00	paid	N/A
2022 Pre-General 2	\$40	paid	Yes

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/18/23	\$0	\$0	(\$152.00)	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The candidate states he ran for office in the 2020 election, they thought they had close out the account.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

\$1,000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I had a successful campaign in 2020 and thought that the account was closed. My treasure completed the filings and we closed all activities for the MDCRIS. The bank account was still open and fees were being taken out of the account. Once the account was closed, we received a notice about an audit and 2 missed filings. We completed the first by to required time and my treasure was going to do the second one the shortly there after. Due to unforeseen circumstances it was not done. I was made aware by another notice and we promptly filed the second item. I truly apologize for my mistakes and would ask for forgiveness of this fine. I'm currently serving on the Board of Education and have several jobs to support my family. This fine would create a huge hardship. This was my first time running for office and I've learned my lesson. I'm formally requesting a waiver for this matter. Thanks in advance.

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Antoine S. White 10/10/2023

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Yoho, Karen Citizens for	
CCF ID:	01012266	Status: Active
Date Established	1/30/18	
Date Waiver Requested	8/15/2023	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Joe Yoho	Start Date: 1/30/18
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Karen Yoho	1/30/18
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Post General		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
2022 Pre-General 2		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
2022 Pre-Primary 1		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
2022 Annual Audit		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
2022 Pre-Primary 2		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
2023 Annual		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
2022 Pre-General 1		8/12/23	\$40	\$40
				Total: \$280.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
2022 Pre-General	\$20	paid	N/A
	\$		

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
1/10/24	\$36.00	\$759.00	\$0	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

The committee states that because of family matters they missed filing the audit reports.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

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The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

I missed the one May email because I had not renewed my campaign website, which the email was associated with, so I wasn't even certain I still had access to that account. I no longer have the PO box and received no mailed copy of the notice. My parents live in western North Carolina, and I've been driving to help them whenever I can find time. My 92-year-old father was diagnosed with cancer in September 2022, and although the cancer was cured, he is confined to a wheelchair and needs constant help. His health is rapidly failing. My mother is 89 and has Type 1 Diabetes. My brother, who lives in Miami, FL, and I have been alternating our visits to help with our parents' care. Also during this time, our eldest granddaughter was living with us until July 16 when she suddenly decided to leave to return to her mother.

My husband is my campaign treasurer, and he also missed the one May email. When numerous emails came through on August 11, he mentioned this, so I checked my campaign email. It did let me login. That was a Friday and there was not enough time to get the reports amended before your office closed, especially since we didn't know where to begin. I've spent hours watching the video that was sent to me (which was very helpful) and tracking down the initial error. That was on the 2022 Annual Report. So, I do feel that we owe that \$20 for being one day late on that report. That caused a domino effect since, as you well know, the error carried through the remainder of the reports. I would like not to have to pay those fees. There is no campaign bank account so, as I understand it, we would have to pay from personal funds.

It has never been the intent of my campaign to make errors on purpose. Family obligations were our focus this past year and we've been doing our best to try to do our jobs and other responsibilities and keep our heads above water. Had we realized sooner there was an issue, we certainly would have taken care of it as soon as possible. Now that the error with the 2022 Annual Report was corrected, I'm amazed and embarrassed that we submitted that report in the first place. I am not running for any future offices and now we finally understand a basic premise of the reporting system.

Print Name and Date: *

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Karen A. Yoho

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Waiver Request Information Page

General

Account Name	Young, Calvin Supporters of	
CCF ID:	01011153	Status: Active
Date Established	7/08/15	
Date Waiver Requested	9/12/23	
Account Type	Campaign Account	

Officers

Current Treasurer	Lisa Portee	Start Date: 7/08/15
Responsible Treasurer		
Current Chairman	Calvin Young	7/08/15
Responsible Chairman		

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Affidavit	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
2022 Pre-Primary 1 Audit		9/05/2023	\$985	\$985
				Total: \$985.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
10/28/22	\$80	paid	yes
7/08/22	\$80	paid	yes

Recent Financial Activity History

Report	Contributions	Expenditures	Cash Balance	Outstanding/ Loans/ Obligations
4/09/24	\$0	\$2,148.00	\$297.00	\$0
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reason for Waiver

Errors made by the committee in the system cause the account not to close. We would like to close this account.

Division Comments

Grant

Administrator's Decision

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

50

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

The account was not closed, error made by the committee in the system

Print Name and Date: *

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Calvin Young, 9/7/2023

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Memorandum

TO: State Board Members
FROM: Division of Candidacy and Campaign Finance
DATE: October 26, 2023
SUBJECT: Waiver of late filing fees – Persons Doing Public Business, Title 14 of the Election Law Article

Enclosed are the waiver requests, which were submitted by businesses that have been assessed late filing fees. The attached Waiver Request Information Page contains an overview of each entity as well as the Agency's recommendation to the Board.

The Board should consider the following factors in determining whether just cause exists to grant a waiver.

1. Administrative error of any kind on the part of the Division.
2. The lateness is due to extenuating circumstances, i.e. physical illness or death in the family; or
3. Computer problems occurred which made timely filing impossible. However, the filer still must have demonstrated a good faith effort to timely file.

Prior to the meeting please review each waiver request. Note the recommendations that you may disagree with or have questions on that you would like to discuss.

§ 14-107(c) Late Filing Fees

- (1) As provided in this subsection, the State Board may impose fees for late filing of:
 - (i) a statement required under § 14-104 of this title; or
 - (ii) an amended statement required under subsection (b) of this section.
- (2) The State Board may impose late filing fees in the same amounts and in the same manner as provided under § 13-331(a) and (b) of this article for late filing of campaign finance reports.
- (3) Late filing fees imposed under this subsection shall be distributed to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund.

Pursuant to COMAR 33.20.07.01C, the State Administrator has denied three late fee waiver request. No Board action is required on the denials.

As of October 17, 2023, SBE has collected \$32,670.00 in late fees year to date for Title 14 Late Fee Waivers. SBE collected \$1,350.00 for the month of October in late fees.

Waiver list Title 14

Grant

1. City of Bowie

Denied

1. Baltimore Community Foundation
2. Friendly Farm Restaurant
3. Maryland Association of Community Services

Business Contribution Disclosure System

Waiver Request Information Page-Late Fees

General

Account Name	City of Bowie
BID ID:	14001527
Date Established	11/15/22
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23
Account Type	Title 14-Person Doing Public Business

Officers

Current Filer	Daniel Mears	Start Date: 11/15/22
Principal Officer	Alfred Lott	Start Date: 11/15/22

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
5/31/23 Spring	10/05/23	\$1000	\$1000
		\$	\$
			Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		

Reason for Waiver

The business says the form sought to be completed does not appear to relate to local government.

Agency Comments

Grant

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

1000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

The form sought to be completed does not appear to relate to a local government.

Print Name and Date: *

By printing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and under the penalties of perjury.

Daniel Mears 10-5-23

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Business Contribution Disclosure System

Waiver Request Information Page-Late Fees

General

Account Name	Baltimore Community Foundation
BID ID:	14001430
Date Established	5/01/22
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23
Account Type	Title 14-Person Doing Public Business

Officers

Current Filer	Shanaysha Sauls	Start Date: 5/01/22
Principal Officer	Shanaysha Sauls	Start Date: 5/01/22

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
5/31/23	10/02/23	\$1000	\$1000
		\$	\$
			Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		

Reason for Waiver

The business states that the notice of report due went to a spam folder and they were unaware a report was due.

Agency Comments

Deny.

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

1000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

The request went to a spam folder but this has been fixed going forward

Print Name and Date: *

By printing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and under the penalties of perjury.

Shanaysha Sauls

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Business Contribution Disclosure System

Waiver Request Information Page-Late Fees

General

Account Name	Friendly Farm Restaurant
BID ID:	14001383
Date Established	10/26/22
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23
Account Type	Title 14-Person Doing Public Business

Officers

Current Filer	Chris Wilhelm	Start Date: 10/26/22
Principal Officer	Chris Wilhelm	Start Date: 10/26/22

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
5/31/23	101/10/23	\$1000	\$1000
		\$	\$
			Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		

Reason for Waiver

The business states they did not make any contribution in 2023, they did not realize they needed to file the report.

Agency Comments

Deny

State of Maryland

Late Fee Waiver Request Form

Instructions: Please print clearly or type. If you assert as the basis for the request that you were personally unable to file the report, please explain why the other responsible parties could not file the report. Please limit your request to this document only. *Requests may only be made by the committee chairman, treasurer or candidate.

Campaign Account Name: Friendly Farm Restaurant (BID) Account Number: 14001383

Date of Request: 10/10/23 Total Amount of late fees: \$ 1000.00

Name of the Requestor(s)*: Chris Wilhelm

The Requestor is the: Chairman Treasurer Candidate

Waiver of late fees for the following Campaign Finance Report(s): Contribution Disclosure Report

The basis for the request: We apologize for not submitting the Spring 2023 contribution report. We ~~did~~ did not do any contributions in 2023 so we did know we needed to file a report. We would appreciate if you would waive this late fee due to the misunderstanding.

Chris Wilhelm
(Signature)

10/10/23
(Date)

For Board Use Only	
Date Rcvd: _____	Date Heard: _____
Verification: _____	
Bd. Decision: _____	

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Business Contribution Disclosure System

Waiver Request Information Page-Late Fees

General

Account Name	Maryland Association of Community Services
BID ID:	14001437
Date Established	5/02/22
Date Waiver Requested	10/10/23
Account Type	Title 14-Person Doing Public Business

Officers

Current Filer	Laura Howell	Start Date: 5/02/22
Principal Officer	Laura Howell	Start Date: 5/02/22

Waiver Request Dates

Late Report	Date Received	Fees	Total Fees
5/31/23 Spring	10/10/23	\$1000	\$1000
		\$	\$
			Total: \$1000.00

All required notices were sent to this campaign account for the above listed report(s).

Prior Waiver and Fees

Report	Late Fee	Waiver/payment	Referred OSP
N/A	\$		

Reason for Waiver

The business states they completed the form but fail to hit the file all to state button.

Agency Comments

Deny

Waiver of late fees for the following Business Contribution Disclosure Statement Report (s): *
Check the Business Disclosure Report(s) that apply.

- Spring Business Contribution Statement
- Fall Business Contribution Statement
- None - Submitting MDCRIS

Total Amount of late fee(s) \$ *

1,000

The basis for the request *

The request must provide just cause for the waiver of the late fee(s).

In an email sent last week by jgolder@macsonline.org, we outlined that I completed the form on time, but mistakenly did not click the "file to state" button at the bottom of the form (which I did immediately once I received the notice by letter). In preparing the form, I had called the Board with a question, and received a call weeks later. By that time I did not realize my mistake, and thought I had submitted the form. This was the first time completing this form, and my error was in no way an indication of a lack of intent to complete it on time - in fact I thought that I had. I also noticed when reviewing this matter that there was a list of emails sent by the Board indicating email notification. I never received any of these emails, either in my primary email inbox, nor in my "spam" inbox. I am a bit worried about why I did not receive any of these email notifications. I have always completed all lobbying reporting in a timely and thorough manner, and I hope that this will be considered as you review my request.

Print Name and Date: *

By printing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and under the penalties of perjury.

Laura Howell