

NOTIFICATION TO CANDIDATES TO FILE SEMIANNUAL REPORT

This notice is to inform you of an upcoming campaign finance reporting deadline. The deadline for this Semiannual report is:

The Semiannual report is required to be filed by all candidates with an open campaign committee who did not file a post primary report this year **and** were either last a candidate for a non-judicial statewide or county office **or** were last a candidate for any other non-judicial office whose campaign committee received more than \$10,000 in contributions since the last report filed. For the purpose of this notice, “statewide office” does not refer to candidates for the general assembly. Candidates for judicial office are not required to file semiannual reports.

This statement must include all contributions received and expenditures made since the period reflected in your last filed report, if any, through June 30th of this calendar year. If you have not received any contributions and have not made any expenditures during this period, you must still complete the Ohio Campaign Finance Report (Form No. 30-A). A campaign committee is open until a termination statement has been filed. If you have received this notice and believe that your committee has terminated, please contact the office listed below.

Candidates for statewide office and members of the general assembly are, in certain circumstances, required to file their campaign finance reports electronically with the secretary of state’s office. Please refer to Notification to Statewide, General Assembly and Court of Appeals Candidates of Requirements to File Campaign Finance Reports by Electronic Means (Form 30-N) for more information regarding electronic filing.

A committee that has filed a Local Candidate Waiver (Form 31-BB) this year and that has not accepted contributions or made expenditures in amounts that exceed those listed on the Waiver may disregard this notice. However, if your committee filed a Waiver for an election in the preceding calendar year and your committee is still open the semiannual report is due.

The penalty for failure to file a required campaign finance statement is a fine of up to \$100 per day (R.C. 3517.992(A)). The penalty for failure to file a campaign finance statement by electronic means when required to do so is a fine of up to \$1,000 (R.C. 3517.992(Z)).

Your semiannual report must be received, not postmarked, at the appropriate office as required by the Ohio Revised Code no later than 4:00 p.m. on the last business day of July of this year. If you need help in completing the required forms or have any questions about Ohio campaign finance laws, please contact: