STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: RSLC - Florida

TO: RSLC - Florida Dee Duncan, Chair 1201 F Street NW, Suite 6 Washington, DC 20004

Case No.: FEC 23-196

Division of Elections 500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE (AF))

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on, August 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m., *or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard*, at the following location: 412 Knott Building, Pat Thomas Committee Room, 404 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. Due to heightened security access requirements, please bring only essential items into the building and plan to arrive early to allow for delays coming through security.

Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of your right to participate in the hearing. Continuances will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

This hearing will be conducted pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, which governs your participation as follows:

If you are the Respondent, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have 5 minutes to present your case to the Commission. However, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless you request to be heard or the Commission requests that your case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, your case will *not* be individually heard.

If you are the Complainant, you may attend the hearing, but you will *not* be permitted to address the Commission. In addition, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless the Respondent requests to be heard or the Commission requests that the case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, the case will *not* be individually heard.

If you are an Appellant, and you have requested a hearing, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have 5 *minutes* to present your case to the Commission.

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The Commission will electronically record the meeting. Although the Commission's recording is considered the official record of the hearing, the Respondent may provide, at his own expense, a certified court reporter to also record the hearing.

If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs at (850) 922-4539 or by mail at 107 West Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at least 5 days before the hearing.

See further instructions on the reverse side.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission July 23, 2024 Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

If this is a hearing to consider **an appeal from an automatic fine**, the Filing Officer has imposed a fine on you for your failure to file a campaign treasurer's report on the designated due date and, by filing an appeal, you have asked the Commission to consider either (1) that the report was in fact timely filed; or (2) that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure to file the report timely. You are required to prove your case. If the Commission finds that the report was filed timely or that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure, it may waive the fine, in whole or in part. The Commission may reduce a fine after considering the factors in Section 106.265, Florida Statutes. If the Commission finds that the report was not timely filed and there were no unusual circumstances, the fine will be upheld.

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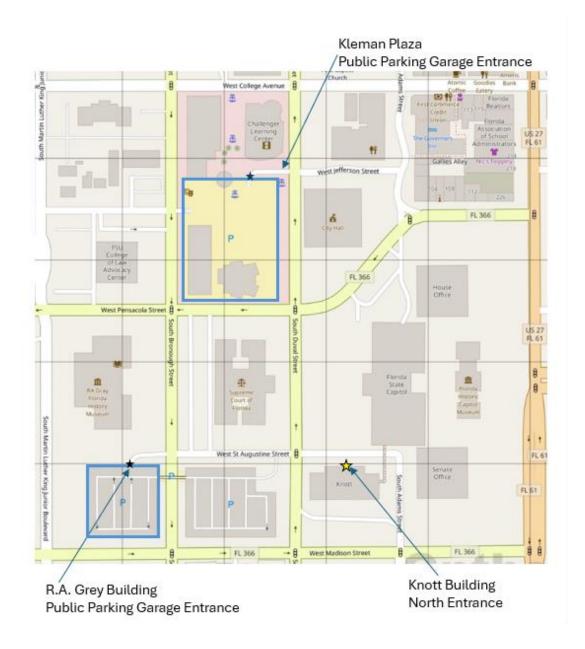
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Florida Elections Commission Meeting - Augut 13-14, 2024, 412 Knott Building

- Please enter the Knott Building at the North entrance as indicated below.
- Public parking is available at Kleman Plaza (entrance at West Jefferson Sreet/South Duval Street) and the R.A. Grey Building Garage (entrance at West St. Augustine Street/South Bronough Street).



STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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Division of Elections 500 S. Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE (AF))

You are hereby notified that **the previously scheduled hearing for May 14, 2024, is CANCELLED**. It is anticipated that your case will be scheduled for a new hearing date to be determined as soon as possible.

A Notice of Hearing will be mailed to you approximately 14 days prior to the new hearing date. You may also wish to monitor our website at <u>https://www.fec.state.fl.us/</u> for meeting announcements.

<u>Tim Vaccaro</u>

Executive Director Florida Elections Commission May 13, 2024

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION CASE REPORT Case Number: FEC 23-196

NAME: RSLC - FLORIDA

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 08/01/2023

DATE REPORT DUE: 08/12/2022 (2022 P6)

DATE OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT: 08/17/2022

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 5

AMOUNT OF FINE: \$1,150.00

PC []DISTRICT []CCE []COUNTY []POLITICAL PARTY []CITY []IXO [X]

STATE [X]

CANDIDATE []

FINE BASED ON: (X) NUMBER OF DAYS () 25% OF RECEIPTS () 25% OF EXPENDITURES

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$301,929.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$301,929.00

DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION: 07/07/2023 (Final Fine Notice)

SUMMARY: RSLC - Florida is an independent expenditure organization (IXO) registered with the State of Florida. The IXO's listed chair is Dee Duncan.

The IXO is appealing the fine. According to Mr. Duncan, they did not receive their credentials until August 17, 2022. He states that they mailed the registration forms via FedEx Priority Overnight on August 4th and then called the Division of Elections on August 11th to ask when it should be receiving its credentials. He notes that they were contacted by the Division on August 15th regarding the IXO registration but did not receive its credentials. They filed the report as soon as they received the credentials on August 17th. Mr. Duncan provided emails to and from the Division to support the appeal.

- The 2022 P6 Original Report covers the period from 08/05/22-08/05/22; it was due on 08/12/22.
- The 2022 P6 Queued Transaction Report shows that it was created and filed on 08/17/22.
- RSLC-Florida reported receiving 1 contribution while making 1 expenditure.
- The Division of Elections provided two notes that pertain to RSLC Florida's 2022 P6 Report. On 08/17/22, DOE staff spoke with Ms. Joanne Parker, the "established contact person" for the IXO, advised her that the IXO was established, and provided credentials to her. They also told her that the "P6 report needs to be filed immediately due to being past due." The notes also reference an additional call from Ms. Parker on the same day.

PRIOR CASES: NONE



Dee Duncan President RSLC – Florida IE PAC 1201 F Street, NW, Suite 675 Washington, DC 20004 DDuncan@rslc.gop

July 27, 2023

Florida Elections Commission 107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0150

CC: Donna S. Brown Chief, Bureau of Election Records Division of Election, Florida Department of State The R.A. Gray Building, Room 316 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250 ElecRecords@dos.myflorida.com

Dear Florida Elections Commission:

I write on behalf of RSLC – Florida IE PAC ("RSLC") to appeal the late fine of \$1,150.00, per the notice sent by the Florida Division of Elections ("Division"), dated July 7, 2023, and received by RSLC on July 17, 2023 ("Notice"). The Notice states that RSLC had a campaign treasurer's report that was due on August 12, 2022, but was filed on August 17, 2022, and therefore is assessed a late fine of \$1,150.00.

Pursuant to Fla. Stat. 106.07(8)(c), a political committee may appeal or dispute the fine, based upon the "unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date[.]" Additionally, Fla. Stat. 106.265(2) provides that the Commission shall consider, in determining the amount of civil penalties, the gravity of an act or omission, any previous history of similar acts or omissions, and whether the political committee has shown good faith in attempting to comply.

Here, RSLC, mailed its registration forms to the Division on August 4, 2022, a day prior to when it would have passed the threshold of spending in independent expenditures, knowing that registration was required to be filed and accepted within ten (10) days of passing the threshold and tracking that the expenditures made were within a pre-primary weekly schedule, making the next applicable report due on August 12, 2022. Due to the time sensitivity involved, the registration forms were mailed via FedEx Priority Overnight, with tracking number 777576283217.

FedEx tracking records show that this was delivered on August 5, 2022 at 9:40 AM (See Exhibit A) and then delivered again on August 8, 2022 at 8:16 AM (See Exhibit B).

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However, as you are likely aware, campaign finance reports are filed with the Division's Electronic Filing System ("EFS"), which is not accessible until provided log-in credentials by the Division upon registration. When we did not receive credentials by August 11, 2022, RSLC called the Division to ask when it should receive its EFS credentials in order to comply with the reporting schedule.

On August 15, 2022, we received a call from Sheena T. Baker, Regulatory Specialist III, Auditor, in the Division, and then exchanged emails in response to Ms. Baker's questions about RSLC. In those emails, we noted that we passed the spending threshold on August 5, 2022 and requested again for EFS credentials to be provided as soon as possible (See Exhibit C).

On August 17, 2022, the Division sent RSLC a letter, acknowledging receipt of our August 15, 2022 email correspondence in regard to meeting the threshold on August 5, 2022, and the Division finally issued RSLC its necessary EFS credentials (See <u>Exhibit D</u>). The RSLC submitted its campaign finance report the same day.

It is unclear why FedEx "delivered" the registration form on August 5, and "delivered" it again on August 8. Regardless, the RSLC mailed the registration form well in advance of its anticipated August 12 report and the Division received the registration form no later than August 8. The FedEx issues and the Division's delay in providing EFS credentials support that "unusual circumstances" certainly surrounded the RSLC's failure to timely file its report to the Division. Moreover, the RSLC took proactive steps by calling the Division when there was a delay in receiving its EFS credentials. It is evident that the RSLC has shown good faith in attempting to comply with the applicable Florida campaign finance laws and rules. The RSLC does not have a previous history of noncompliance with the Division.

For these reasons, we ask that the Commission find in favor of the RSLC's appeal.

Sincerely,

Dee Duncan President



Dear Customer,

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EXHIBIT A

July 27, 2023

The following is the proof-of-delivery for tracking number: 777576283217

Delivery Information:			
Status:	Delivered	Delivered To:	
Signed for by:		Delivery Location:	
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		Delivery date:	Aug 5, 2022 09:40
Shipping Information:			
Tracking number:	777576283217	Ship Date:	Aug 4, 2022
		Weight:	
Recipient:		Shipper:	
TALLAHASSEE, FL, US,		WASHINGTON, DC, US,	

Proof-of-delivery details appear below; however, no signature is available for this FedEx Express shipment because a signature was not required.



Dear Customer,

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July 21, 2023

EXHIBIT B

The following is the proof-of-delivery for tracking number: 777576283217

Delivery Information:			
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Signed for by:	T.WRIGHT	Delivery Location:	500 S BRONOUGH ST
Service type:	FedEx Priority Overnight		
Special Handling:	Deliver Weekday		TALLAHASSEE, FL, 32399
		Delivery date:	Aug 8, 2022 08:16
Shipping Information:			
Tracking number:	777576283217	Ship Date:	Aug 5, 2022
		Weight:	
Recipient: FloridaDepartmentofState, DivisionofElections Room 316, R. A. Gray Building 500 South Bronough Street TALLAHASSEE, FL, US, 32399		Shipper: CabellHobbs, REPUBL 1201 F Street Suite 675 WASHINGTON, DC, US	ICANSTATELEADERSHIPCO 5, 20004

Signature Proof of Delivery is not currently available for this Tracking Number. Availability of signature images may take up to 5 days after delivery date. Please try later, or contact Customer Service at 1.800.Go.FedEx (R) 800.463.3339.

EXHIBIT C

Subject: RE: RSLC Florida IE PAC RegistrationDate: Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 10:41:36 AM Eastern Daylight TimeFrom: Joanne Parker

Joanne Parker | Partner | RightSide Compliance joanne@rightsidecompliance.com / 202-367-8376



From: Joy Lee <jlee@rslc.gop>
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2022 9:55 AM
To: Baker, Sheena T. <Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com>
Cc: Tim Beall <Tim@complianceconsultingva.com>; Joanne Parker <Joanne@rightsidecompliance.com>
Subject: Re: RSLC Florida IE PAC Registration

Good morning,

The RSLC – Florida IE PAC will be a PAC that only makes independent expenditures.

Copied here are Tim Beall and Joanne Parker from our compliance team. They are available to answer any additional registration and reporting questions you may have. Thank you for your assistance in getting this Florida IE PAC set up.

Thanks, Joy Lee

Joy Lee General Counsel, Republican State Leadership Committee (o) 202-448-5168 | (c) 410-979-0322

From: Baker, Sheena T. <<u>Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com</u>> Date: Monday, August 15, 2022 at 6:06 PM To: Joy Lee <<u>jlee@rslc.gop</u>> Subject: Re: RSLC Florida IE PAC Registration

Good Afternoon Ms. Lee,

I apologize for the late response, I have been out of the office, but the question were as listed below based on the DS-DE 5 (Statement of Organization of Political Committee) submitted:

1. Are you trying to establish a PAC that will ONLY make Independent Expenditures?

- a. If so, you will need to meet the threshold of \$5,000 for support or opposition of issues and/or \$500 for support or opposition of Candidates before you can be established in our system. In both situations, you will need to contact our office once you have met the threshold (we have no way of knowing when that happens without your call) and then we will be able to create the Independent Expenditure PAC in our system at that time. Once that is done, you will receive credentials for the PAC and have to file reports only when funds are spent.
 - a. or b.
- 3. Are you trying to establish a PAC that will ALSO make Independent Expenditures?
 - a. If so, you will need to resubmit the DS-DE 5 (Statement of Organization of Political Committee) because section #7 and section #8 were not filled out, making the form incomplete.

Respectfully,

Sheena Turner Baker

Regulatory Specialist III, Auditor

Department of Election Records

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

R.A. Gray Building, Room 316

500 South Bronough Street

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Phone Number: (850)245-6111

From: Joy Lee <jlee@rslc.gop> Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 10:38 AM To: Baker, Sheena T. <<u>Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com</u>> Subject: RSLC Florida IE PAC Registration

EMAIL RECEIVED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCE

Good morning, Ms. Baker,

I returned your call to the Republican State Leadership Committee (RSLC) and left you a voicemail message at 850-245-6111. Please give me a call back at 410-979-0322.

Thank you, Joy Lee

--Jov Lee EXHIBIT D



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT 0[†] STATE

RON DESANTIS Governor **CORD BYRD** Secretary of State

August 17, 2022

Dee Duncan, Chairperson RSLC - Florida 1201 F Street NW, Suite 675 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Duncan:

This will acknowledge receipt of your email dated August 15, 2022, stating that the RSLC - Florida organization made independent expenditures in excess of \$5,000 as of August 5, 2022. This information was placed on file with our office on August 5, 2022, as the first day of report filing.

Independent expenditure organizations shall file periodic reports of expenditures in the same manner, at the same time, subject to the same penalties, and with the same filing officer as a political committee supporting or opposing such candidate or issue. Please refer to the *Calendar* of *Reporting Dates* to determine when to file such reports. If you need assistance determining when to file your reports, please contact the Division's help desk at (850) 245-6280.

The reports shall contain the full name and address of each person to whom and for whom each expenditure has been made; the amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure; a description of the services or goods obtained by each expenditure; the issue to which the expenditure relates; and the name and address of, and office sought by, each candidate on whose behalf such expenditure was made. All independent expenditure organizations that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the organization's user identification number. The enclosed contains the organization's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on.

EFS Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us **Identification Number:** 83500

Division of Elections R.A. Gray Building, Suite 316 • 500 South Bronough Street • Tallahassee, Florida 32399 850.245.6240 • 850.245.6260 (Fax) • DOS.MyFlorida.com/elections



Dee Duncan, Chairperson August 17, 2022 Page Two

Timely Filing

All reports must be completed and filed through the EFS not later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time (EST), of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight, EST, of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any organization failing to file a report on the designated due date is subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total expenditures for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total expenditures for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath and is subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

Instructions and Assistance

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280.

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>https://dos.myflorida.com/elections</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely, 53

Donna S. Brown, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

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Chairperson Credentials

Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. You are responsible for protecting this password from disclosure and for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

Each chairperson is required to provide the Division with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event the password is forgotten or lost. In EFS, access the **Campaign Account** tab and select either **Password** or **PIN Management** to *set recovery questions* for your password and PIN numbers. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by the Division staff nor given out over the phone. Please immediately notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

PIN Numbers

Your PIN number is a confidential secure credential that allows you to submit reports and update personal information. Below is your confidential PIN number along with the initial password.

EFS User's Guide

Once you have logged into your account, an EFS User's Guide can be accessed by clicking on the **Help** tab in the menu items across the top of the page. This is a resource for which you should familiarize yourself.

DEE DUNCAN, Chairperson ID number: 83500 Password: A7Q7G5n4	IXO 83500
DEE DUNCAN, Chairperson	IXO
PIN: 2704	83500





FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Cord Byrd Secretary of State

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Final Notice Delivery Confirmation:

USPS TRACKING # 9114 9022 0078 9884 3170 83 & CUSTOMER For Tracking or inquiries go to USPS.com RECEIPT LABEL (ROLL) or call 1-800-222-1811.

July 7, 2023

Dee Duncan, Chairperson RSLC - Florida 1201 F Street NW, Suite 6 Washington, DC 20004

IXO 83500

Dear Mr. Duncan:

The campaign treasurer's report that was due on August 12, 2022, was filed on August 17, 2022. By law, you are automatically assessed a late fine of \$1,150.00.

You have 20 days from the receipt of this notice to either:

1. Pay the fine to the Florida Division of Elections (For a candidate only, a fine is not an allowable campaign expenditure and must be paid from personal funds) at:

Florida Division of Elections R.A. Gray Building, Room. 316 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-025011

2. Appeal the fine to the Florida Elections Commission (See Rules 2B-1.005 and 2B-1.0055, Florida Administrative Code) at:

Florida Elections Commission 107 West Gaines Street, Ste. 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0150

If you appeal, please send a copy also to the Florida Division of Elections so that you will not receive further notices from the Division about this matter.

If you have any questions, please contact the help desk at (850) 245-6280.

Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief Bureau of Election Records

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF ELECTIONS CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

(1) RSLC - Florida		(2)	83500		
Candidate, Committe or Party Name			I.D. Numbe	r	
(3) Post Office Box 772516		Miami		FL	33177
Address (number and street)	ort	City		State	Zip Code
(4) Check appropriate box(es):					
 Candidate (office sought): Political Committee Committee of Continuous Existance Party Executive Committee 		_	C has DISBAN CE has DISBA		
(5) F	REPORT II	DENTIFIERS			
Cover Period: From 08/05/2022 To	08/05/2	2022	Report	Type:	P6
Original Amendment	Specia	I Election Repo	rt		
(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT			(7) EXPENDI	TURES T	HIS REPORT
Cash & Checks \$301,929.00		Monetary Expe	enditures		\$301,929.00
Loans \$0.00		Transfers to O	ffice Account		\$0.00
Total Monetary \$301,929.00		Total Mo	netary		\$301,929.00
In-Kind \$0.00		(8) Other Distr	butions		
It is a first degree misdemeanor for	Certific any perso		blic record (s	s.839.13, I	F.S.)
I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct and complete		l certify that I h true, correct a		l this repo	ort and it is
Name of Treasurer Deputy Treasurer		Name of	Candidate		Chaiman (PC/PTY Only
X		<u>x</u>			
Signature		Signature			

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Name: RSLC - Florida

Report: <u>2022</u> <u>P6</u>

Period: 08/05/2022

to 08/05/2022

** Records in Filed Report **						
Seq #	Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle	Contributor	Occupation	Amount		
Date	Street Address & City, State, Zip	Туре	In-Kind Description	Amend		
1	REPUBLICAN STATE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE	0	N/A	\$301,929.00		
00/05/0000	1201 F ST NW, STE. 675	- AUE		-		
08/05/2022	WASHINGTON, DC 20004	CHE				

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT - ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

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Name: RS	LC - Florida		Report: <u>2022</u> <u>P6</u>	Period: 08/05/2022	to 08/05/2022
	** Rec	ords in File	ed Report **		
Seq #	Full Name				Amount
Date	(Last, Suffix, First, Middle Street Address & City, State, Zip	Туре	Purpose		Amend
1	MEDIUM BUYING LLC 815 GRANDVIEW AVENUE, SUITE 600	IEC	RADIO/TV ADVERTISING	PRODUCTION AND	\$301,929.00
08/05/2022	COLUMBUS, OH 43215		PLACEMENT; PRO-WILTO COMMISSIONER OF AGE	Devision and the second s	

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Name: RSI	LC - Florida ** R	R ecords in Filed I	eport: <u>2022</u> <u>P6</u> Report **	Period: 08/05/2022	to 08/05/2022
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Name: RS	LC - Florida		Report: <u>2022</u> <u>P6</u>	Period:	08/05/2022	to 08/05/	2022
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Queued Items for 2022-P6

Account: **83500** Rpt Seq: 1

RSLC - Florida

ProcessDescription	Status	Submitter	Created	LastUpdate
Create Pending Report	Processing Complete	83500	8/17/2022 1:44:59 PM	8/17/2022 1:44:59 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	83500	8/17/2022 1:53:53 PM	8/17/2022 1:53:53 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	83500	8/17/2022 2:05:14 PM	8/17/2022 2:05:14 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	83500	8/17/2022 2:06:13 PM	8/17/2022 2:06:13 PM
Review Pending Report	Processing Complete	83500	8/17/2022 2:07:37 PM	8/17/2022 2:07:37 PM
File Pending Report	Processing Complete	83500	8/17/2022 3:52:34 PM	8/17/2022 3:52:34 PM

HISTORY NOTES RSLC - Florida - 83500

Unique ID	Date Recorded	Last Edited Date	Orginally Recorded By
77643	8/17/2022 1:02:00 PM		stbaker
RE: Secondary Phone Nur			Sidanoi
Received a call from Ms. J	oanne Parker and she left a contact r	number for herself: 202-367-8376.	
77642	8/17/2022 12:59:00 PM		stbaker
RE: Credentials and Report	ting		
establihsed based on the d	panne Parker, established conatact p ate stated in their email as the date t	he threshold was met. I let her kno	w that the 2022 P6 report

е needs to be filed immediately due to being past due and that the 2022 P7 report is due on the 19th. She stated she was aware and knew that would be the case. Per Management and based on the corresponding emails regarding the account, credentials were given and I was advised the the 2022 P6 report will be filed today.

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RE: RSLC Florida IE PAC Registration

Joanne Parker <Joanne@rightsidecompliance.com> Tue 8/16/2022 10:41 AM To: Joy Lee <jlee@rslc.gop>;Baker, Sheena T. <Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com> Cc: Tim Beall <Tim@complianceconsultingva.com>

EMAIL RECEIVED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCE

Sheena-

Thank you for your help. Regarding your point #1 below, the RSLC Florida IE PAC met the threshold on 8/5/22 so please proceed with getting us a reporting login as soon as possible. Let me know if you need anything else in order to do so, thanks!

Joanne Parker | Partner | RightSide Compliance joanne@rightsidecompliance.com / 202-367-8376



From: Joy Lee <jlee@rslc.gop> Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2022 9:55 AM To: Baker, Sheena T. <Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com> Cc: Tim Beall <Tim@complianceconsultingva.com>; Joanne Parker <Joanne@rightsidecompliance.com> Subject: Re: RSLC Florida IE PAC Registration

Good morning,

The RSLC – Florida IE PAC will be a PAC that only makes independent expenditures.

Copied here are Tim Beall and Joanne Parker from our compliance team. They are available to answer any additional registration and reporting questions you may have. Thank you for your assistance in getting this Florida IE PAC set up.

Thanks, Joy Lee

--Joy Lee *General Counsel,* Republican State Leadership Committee (o) 202-448-5168 | (c) 410-979-0322

From: Baker, Sheena T. <<u>Sheena.Baker@dos.myflorida.com</u>> Date: Monday, August 15, 2022 at 6:06 PM To: Joy Lee <<u>jlee@rslc.gop</u>> Subject: Re: RSLC Florida IE PAC Registration

Good Afternoon Ms. Lee,



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

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Governor

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August 17, 2022

Dee Duncan, Chairperson RSLC - Florida 1201 F Street NW, Suite 675 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Duncan:

This will acknowledge receipt of your email dated August 15, 2022, stating that the RSLC - Florida organization made independent expenditures in excess of \$5,000 as of August 5, 2022. This information was placed on file with our office on August 5, 2022, as the first day of report filing.

Independent expenditure organizations shall file periodic reports of expenditures in the same manner, at the same time, subject to the same penalties, and with the same filing officer as a political committee supporting or opposing such candidate or issue. Please refer to the *Calendar* of *Reporting Dates* to determine when to file such reports. If you need assistance determining when to file your reports, please contact the Division's help desk at (850) 245-6280.

The reports shall contain the full name and address of each person to whom and for whom each expenditure has been made; the amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure; a description of the services or goods obtained by each expenditure; the issue to which the expenditure relates; and the name and address of, and office sought by, each candidate on whose behalf such expenditure was made. All independent expenditure organizations that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS).

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the organization's user identification number. The enclosed contains the organization's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on.

EFS Website Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 83500

Division of Elections R.A. Gray Building, Suite 316 • 500 South Bronough Street • Tallahassee, Florida 32399 850.245.6240 • 850.245.6260 (Fax) • DOS.MyFlorida.com/elections



Dee Duncan, Chairperson August 17, 2022 Page Two

Timely Filing

All reports must be completed and filed through the EFS not later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time (EST), of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight, EST, of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any organization failing to file a report on the designated due date is subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total expenditures for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total expenditures for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath and is subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

Instructions and Assistance

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280.

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' website at <u>https://dos.myflorida.com/elections</u>. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, *Calendar of Reporting Dates*, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Jama S. Bron Sincerely,

Donna S. Brown, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

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APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY FOR POLITICAL COMMITTEES (Sections 106.011(2) and 106.021(1), F.S.)			JG - 8 AM 9: 13 ON OF ELECTIONS LAHASSEE, FL
CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:	• •	. ·	
Initial Filing for.		. a	OFFICE USE ONL
Re-filing to Change: Primary Treasurer Deputy Treasurer	Primary/Second	ary Depository	
1. Committee RSLC - Florida IE PAC		2. Telephone (202) 448-	5160
3. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer 4. Email (optional) Cabell Hobbs compliance@rsl		5. Telephone ((202) 448-	
6. Mailing Address PO Box 772516, Miami, FL 33177			,
7. Street Address 1201 F Street NW, Ste. 675, Washington DC 20004	Ļ	<i>x</i>	
8. The following bank has been designated as the Prin	nary Depository	Seconda	ary Depository
9. Name of Bank EagleBank	10. Street Addres		
11. City Washington	12. St DC	ate	13. Zip Code 20004
14. Signature of Chairman	15. Name of Cha	irman (Print or Typ) De)
Campaign Treasurer's Act	ceptance of <i>l</i>	Appointment	
I, Cabell Hobbs (Please Print or Type) treasurer or deputy treasurer for RSLC - Florida IE P.			by accept the appointment a
UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HA ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AND		OREGOING CAM	
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STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS TALLAHASSEE, FL

1. Full Name of Committee RSLC - Florida IE PAC Telephone 202-448-5160

Mailing Address (include city, state and zip code) PO Box 772516, Miami, FL 33177

Street Address (include city, state and zip code) 1201 F Street NW, Ste. 675, Washington DC 20004

2. Affiliated or Connected Organizations (includes other committees of continuous existence and political committees)

Name of Affiliated or Connected Organization	Mailing Address	Relationship
Republican State Leadership Committee	1201 F Street NW, Ste. 675, Washington DC 20004	Affiliated
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3. Area, Scope and Jurisdiction of the Committee

Political committee supporting or opposing statewide, legislative, multicounty candidates and/or issues.

4. Nature of Organization or Organization's Special Interest (e.g., medical, legal, education, etc.) Make independent expenditures in the State of Florida.

5. Identify by Name, Address	and Position, the Custodian of Books and Accounts (include treasurer's name)

Full Name	Mailing Address	Committee Title or Position
Cabell Hobbs	1201 F Street NW, Ste. 675, Washington DC 20004	Treasurer/Custodian of Books

(continued on reverse side)

6. List by Name, Address and Position, Other Principal Officers, Including Officers and Members of the Finance Committee, If Any (include chairman's name)							
Full Name	Mailing Addr	ess	Committee Title or Position				
Dee Duncan	1201 F Street NW, Ste. 675, Washington DC 20004		Chairman				
7. List by Name, Address, Office Sought and Party Affiliation Each Candidate or Other Individual that this Committee is Supporting (if none, please indicate)							
Full Name	Mailing Address	Office	Sought Party				
8. List Any Issues this Committee is Supporting: List Any Issues this Committee is Opposing:							
9. If this Committee is Supporting the Entire Ticket of a Party, Give Name of Party Republican							
10. In the Event of Dissolution, What Disposition will be Made of Residual Funds? Residual funds will be returned to the Republican State Leadership Committee.							
11. List all Banks, Safety De	posit Boxes, or Other Depos	sitories Used for Co	mmittee Funds	5			
Name of Bank or Depository & Account Number		Mailing Address					
EagleBank Account Number		2001 K Street, NW, Washington DC 20006					
12. List all Reports Required to be Filed by this Committee with Federal Officials and the Names, Addresses and Positions of Such Officials, If Any							
Report Title	Dates Required to be Filed	Name & Position o	f Official	Mailing Address			
STATE OF N/A		District of Columbia COUNTY					
I, Dee Duncan , certify that the information in this Statement of							
Organization is complete, true and correct. X Signature of Chairman of Political Committee B 3 22 Date							

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