



**OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

- On August 2, 2021, the Office of the D.C. Auditor (ODCA) issued the Report entitled the “District of Columbia Fair Elections Program.” The Report found that the Fair Elections Program, even during the Pandemic, met its goals which included increasing candidate participation, reducing corporate contributions, creating greater access to funding, and amplifying the voices of everyday voters. The Report was the first of three reports by the ODCA which will also study the overall administration of elections, and the use of funds in the Fair Elections Program. The D.C. Auditor was required by D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.32 (j) (b) to evaluate the Fair Elections Program during the 2020 Election Cycle, the first year of its implementation.

Community Outreach

The Office of Campaign Finance (OCF) continues to focus its efforts on sharing information about its Traditional Campaign Finance Program and the new Fair Elections Program with residents across the city. During the months of July and August 2021, OCF accompanied the Board of Elections (BOE) to the following Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Beat the Streets Community Outreach events:

- Tuesday, July 20, 2021 – 2300 Ainger Place, S E. (Woodland Community)
- Wednesday, July 21, 2021 – 3500 14th Street, N.W. (Mt. Pleasant/Columbia Heights Community)
- Thursday, July 29, 2021 – 62nd & Dix Streets, N.E.
- Wednesday, August 18, 2021 – 115 Atlantic St., S.W. (Lockridge/Bellevue Library).

FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the FEP’s production stats for July and August of 2021:

AUTHORIZED BASE AMOUNT AND MATCHING PAYMENTS

During the 2020 Election Cycle and the 2020 Special Election Cycle, the total sum of **\$4,016,797.64** was disbursed from the FAIR ELECTIONS FUND in BASE AMOUNT (\$1,120,000.00) AND MATCHING PAYMENTS (\$2,896,797.64), to the Thirty-six (36) Candidates certified in the Fair Elections Program to participate in the June 2, 2020 Primary Election, the June 16, 2020 Special Election, and the November 3, 2020 General Election. The 2020 Election Cycle closed on November 3, 2020, and the 2020 Special Election Cycle closed on June 16, 2020.

During the months of July and August 2021, there were no disbursements authorized for Base Amount and Matching Payments from the Fair Elections Fund for Candidates who have registered seeking to participate in the Fair Elections Program during the 2022 Election Cycle.

DESK REVIEWS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Desk Reviews of Termination and Amended Reports of Receipts and Expenditures Twenty-Three (23)

Requests for Additional Information (RAI) Letters Five (5)

REMITTED FUNDS

As of August 25, 2021, the total sum of **\$140,686.88** has been remitted for deposit in the Fair Elections Fund from the campaign operations of Participating Candidates in the June 16, 2020 Special Election, the June 2, 2020 Primary Election, and the November 3, 2020 General Election.

ONGOING POST-ELECTION FULL FIELD AUDITS

The following thirty-four (34) Post-Election Audits are currently ongoing before the Fair Elections Program at various stages, including Audit Documentation received and Audit in progress - Eleven (11); Audit Complete and the Preliminary Statement of Findings issued – Fourteen (14); and Failure to submit Audit Documentation and Referred to the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) – Nine (9).

Post-Election Audits – The June 2, 2020 Primary Election (Audits initiated on June 19, 2020 of the Campaign Operations of those Candidates who did not proceed to the General Election):

1. Green for Ward 7 – Audit documentation received on August 6, 2020. Audit is in progress.
2. Kelvin Brown for DC Council Ward 7 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 23, 2021.**
3. Evans 2020 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Findings issued on April 15, 2021.** Response submitted on May 21, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.
4. Yilin for Ward 2 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Findings issued on April 15, 2021.** Response submitted on May 21, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.

5. Patrick Kennedy for Ward 2 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Findings issued on August 5, 2021.**
6. Mike for Ward 8 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 23, 2021.** Response submitted on July 14, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.
7. Kishan for DC 2020 – Referred to the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) on February 16, 2021 for failure to submit the required documentation. Hearing held on March 10, 2021 no response from Committee, 2nd Hearing held on March 25, 2021 no response from Committee.
8. Jordan Grossman for Ward 2 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 30, 2021.** Response submitted July 12, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.
9. John Fanning for Ward 2 – Extension approved until October 12, 2020 for submission of financial records. Documentation was not received. Referred to the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) on February 12, 2021.
10. Elect Renee Bowser – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 23, 2021.** Response submitted on July 24, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.

Post-Election Audits: The June 16, 2020 Special Election (Audits initiated on July 6, 2020 of the Campaign Operations of those Candidates who participated in the Special Election)

1. Kishan Putta, Kishan Putta for Ward 2 Special Election 2020 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 23, 2021.** No response. Will state Audit based on FEP Preliminary Report.
2. John Fanning, John Fanning for Ward 2 Special Election 2020 – – Extension approved until October 12, 2020 for the submission of the financial records. Documentation was not received. Referred to the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) on February 12, 2021.
3. Jordan Grossman, Jordan Grossman for Ward 2 Special Election – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 30, 2021.** Response received on July 12, 2021 under review by the FEP Manger
4. Patrick Kennedy, Patrick Kennedy for Ward 2 Special June 16, 2020 - Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 23, 2021.** Response submitted on July 15, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.

Post-Election Audits: The November 3, 2021 General Election (Audits initiated on March 30, 2021 of the Campaign Operations of those Candidates who participated in the November 3, 2020 General Election)

1. Friends of Allister Chang - Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Findings issued on August 5, 2021.**
2. Chander for Council - Audit documentation has been received. Audit in progress.
3. Friends of Christina Henderson – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Findings issued on June 23, 2021.** Response received July 9, 2021 under review by the FEP Manager.
4. Committee to Elect Dontrell Smith - Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on August 19, 2021.**
5. Let's Reid 2020 - Audit documentation has been received. Audit in progress.
6. Committee to Elect Eboni Rose Thompson for DC SBOE Ward 7 - Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on August 5, 2021.**
7. Ed Lazere for DC Council At-Large - Audit documentation received on June 7, 2021. Audit in progress.
8. Franklin for DC 2020 – Audit documentation received on May 7, 2021. Audit in progress.
9. Frazier for Ward 4 - Audit documentation has been received. Audit in progress.
10. James for Ward 2 State Board of Education - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021, no documentation has been received. Referred to the OGC. Hearing held on August 11, 2021, and representatives for the Committee did not appear. OGC will reschedule the Hearing.
11. Committee to Elect Janeese Lewis George - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation has been received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021.
12. Committee to Elect Jeanne' Lewis for City Council – Audit documentation received on August 15, 2021. Audit in progress.
13. Karen for 7 SBOE 2020 - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation has been received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021.
14. Monica Palacio for City Council - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation has been received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021.

15. The Committee to Elect Mysiki Valentine - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation has been received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to the OGC on August 23, 2021.
16. Re-Elect Trayon White 2020 - Audit documents received on June 6, 2021. Audit in progress.
17. Vincent Orange 2020 - Audit documentation has been received Audit in progress.
18. Will Merrifield for DC - Audit documents received on June 6, 2021. Audit in progress.
19. Markus For DC - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation has been received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021.
20. Randy Downs For Ward 2 - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. Audit documentation received August 10, 2021. Audit is in progress.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the PIRMs production stats for July and August of 2021:

FILING OF REPORTS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Constituent Service Programs

July 1st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	8
Total number of timely filers	8
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	8
Total number of Certified E-Filings	8

Senator/Representative Statehood Funds

July 1st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	3
Total number of timely filers	3
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0

Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	3
Total number of Certified E-Filings	3

Legal Defense Committees

Eighteenth Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Thursday, July 1, 2021)

Total number of required filers	1
Total number of timely filers	1
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	1
Total number of Certified E-Filings	1

Principal Campaign Committees & Political Action Committees (PACs)

July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Monday, August 2, 2021, extended to Friday, August 20, 2021)

Total number of required filers	105 (55PCC – 50PAC)
Total number of timely filers	87 (38PCC – 49 PAC)*
Total number of late filers	0 (0PCC – 0PAC)
Total number of extensions requested	0 (0PCC – 0PAC)
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	18 (17PCC – 1PAC)
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	87 (38PCC – 49PAC)
Total number of Certified E-Filings	87 (38PCC – 49PAC)

****Three (3) PCCs filed a Termination Report***

Fair Elections Program Principal Campaign Committees

July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Monday, August 2, 2021, extended to Friday, August 20, 2021)

Total number of required filers	22
Total number of timely filers	14*

Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	8
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	14
Total number of Certified E-Filings	14

**Seven (7) Committees filed a Termination Report*

Independent Expenditure Committees
July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures
(Due Monday, August 2, 2021)

Total number of required filers	1
Total number of timely filers	1
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	1
Total number of Certified E-Filings	1

Exploratory Committees
July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures
(Due Monday, August 2, 2021)

Total number of required filers	1
Total number of timely filers	1*
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	1
Total number of Certified E-Filings	1

** Committee filed Termination Report*

Initiative/Referendum Committees

July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Monday, August 2, 2021; extended to Friday, August 20, 2021)

Total number of required filers	8 (7Int - 1Ref)
Total number of timely filers	3 (3Int – 0Ref)*
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	5 (4Int – 1Ref)
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	3 (3Int – 0Ref)
Total number of Certified E-Filings	3 (3Int – 0Ref)

**One Initiative Committees filed a Termination Report*

Recall Committees

July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Monday, August 2, 2021)

Total number of required filers	1
Total number of timely filers	1
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	1
Total number of Certified E-Filings	1

Legal Defense Committees

July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Monday, August 2, 2021)

Total number of required filers	1
Total number of timely filers	1
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	1
Total number of Certified E-Filings	1

NEW CANDIDATES/COMMITTEES*

2022 Election Cycle (This is a running list for the 2022 Election Cycle of Candidate/Committee Registrations) **(July 2021 Registrations are Highlighted).** There were no new Candidates/Committees registrations during the month of August 2021:

Traditional Candidates (6)

Barbara Summers (Mayor):	Registration Date: 6/25/2019
Karl Racine/Karl Racine 2022 (Attorney General):	Registration Date: 3/12/2020
Phil Mendelson/Mendelson for Chairman (Council):	Registration Date: 5/5/2021
Adeoye Owolewa/Oye 4 U.S. Representative 2022:	Registration Date: 5/11/2021
James Butler/Butler for Mayor 2022:	Registration Date: 6/24/2021
Rodney Red Grant/Rodney Red Grant for Mayor	Registration Date: 7/6/2021

Fair Elections Candidates (3)

Ryan Jones/Ryan Jones for AG (Attorney General):	Registration Date: 4/25/2021
Mary Cheh/Cheh 2022 (Council, Ward 2):	Registration Date: 6/17/2021
Gordon Fletcher/Gordon Fletcher for Ward 5:	Registration Date: 7/13/2021

Initiative Committees (3)

Elizabeth Davis Education Equity Pathway Policy Act of 2022:	Registration Date: 4/23/2021
DC Committee to Build a Better Restaurant Industry:	Registration Date: 6/21/2021
The Black Autonomy Movement:	Registration Date: 7/12/2021

Candidates & Treasurers who have completed the OCF Entrance Conference Presentation for July/August 2021

1. Rodney Red Grant/Candidate for Mayor
2. Cine D. Ivery/Treasurer, Rodney Red Grant for Mayor
3. James Butler/Candidate for Mayor
4. Terrence L. Jordan/Butler for Mayor 2022

5. Ruth Pagani/Treasurer, D.C. Democratic State Committee
6. Adam Eidinge/Treasurer, D.C. Committee to Build a Better Restaurant Industry
7. Mary Cheh/Candidate, City Council Ward-3
8. Matthew Frumin/Treasurer, Cheh 2022
9. Ruth Pagani/Treasurer, Gordon Fletcher for Ward 5

REPORTS ANALYSIS AND AUDIT DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the RAAD’s production stats for July 1, 2021 through August 20, 2021:

DESK REVIEWS (100) AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Political Action Committees (includes amended reports)	50
Constituent Service Funds (includes amended reports)	10
US Senator/Representative (includes amended reports)	3
Principal Campaign Committees (includes amended reports)	25
Advisory Neighborhood Commission Candidates	0
Inaugural Committee	0
Exploratory Committees	1
Independent Expenditures	4
Form 16-IE	0
Initiative/Referendum/Recall	4
Twenty-four Hour Reports	0
Attorney General	2
Legal Defense Fund	1
Audit Letters (RFAI) Sent	19
Follow-up Letters Sent	0
Case(s) Resolved	19
FOIA Request	1
Cases Referred to the Office of the General Counsel	0
Cases Referred for Contributions with Same Address and Similar Signatures	0
Cases Terminated	0
Hearings Attended	1
Precinct Visits	0
Virtual Webinars Attended	0
Outside Seminars Attended	0
In House Training (Auditor Training New employee)	0
Entrance Conferences	0

AUDITS ISSUED

- Evans CSF – issued 07/15/21 (Periodic Random Audit of April 1, 2021 Report).

- Oye for US Representative– issued 08/06/21 (Periodic Random Audit of January 31, 2021 Report).
- Ward 5 Democrats – issued 08/20/21 (Periodic Random Audit of July 31, 2021 Report).
- Ward Eight Democrats – issued 08/20/21 (Periodic Random Audit of July 31, 2021 Report).

ONGOING AUDITS

Newly Elected Officials – Full Field Audits

- Brooke Pinto for Ward 2 – Preliminary Draft Audit Report issued on August 25, 2021.
- Jacque4DC At-Large SBOE – Audit Notification Letter sent 02/08/21(Records due 3/8/21 – Second Reminder sent 03/12/21) Initiated 04/05/21. **Additional Information has been requested 06/23/21. Hearing was held on August 18, 2021 as reinforcement for additional records. Records are due to the Audit staff by September 2, 2021.**

Candidates in Upcoming 2022 Election and Political Action Committees – July 31, 2021 Report (Audit Notification Letter was issued on August 6, 2021)

- **Mendelson 2022** – The audit fieldwork is in progress.
- **Ward 6 Democrats** – The audit fieldwork is in progress.

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

2021 MONTHLY IN-TAKE/OUTPUT REPORT

	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Opinion Request Received	0						
Opinion Request Completed	0						
Complaints Received	0						
Internal Queries	0						
Preliminary Investigations Initiated	0						
Preliminary Investigations Orders Issued	0						
Full Investigations Initiated	0						

Full Investigations Orders Issued	0						
Informal Hearings Referred	0						
Informal Hearings Completed	0						
Informal Hearings Orders Issued	0						
Petitions for Enforcement Referrals to BOE	0						

During the month of July, 2021, the Office of the General Counsel did not receive any referrals or issue any orders.

Board Statistics

Board Statistics for July 2021
Board Meeting August 26, 2021

PIRM

PCC	0
PAC's	0
ANC's	0
500 Exemption	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0
Initiatives	0
Referendum	0
Independent Expenditure	0
Fair Elections Committee	0

RAAD

PCC	0
PAC's	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0

1. Notices of Hearings	0
First Notices	0
Second Notices	0

- 2. Notices and Orders Vacated 0
- 3. Hearings Conducted 0
- 4. Orders which imposed fines 0

- 5. Fines imposed \$0
Fines collected \$0

- 6. Investigations completed 0
Orders issued

- 7. Petitions for Enforcement 0

- 8. Outstanding Fines To be Determined*

LIST OF OPEN OCF INVESTIGATIONS

July 2021

NONE

INTERPRETATIVE OPINIONS

July 2021

NONE

(All Interpretative Opinions are on-line@ www.ocf.dc.gov)

SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDINGS

July 2021

NONE

2021 MONTHLY IN-TAKE/OUTPUT REPORT
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Opinion Request Received		0					
Opinion Request Completed		0					
Complaints Received		0					
Internal Queries		0					
Preliminary Investigations Initiated		0					
Preliminary Investigations Orders Issued		0					
Full Investigations Initiated		0					
Full Investigations Orders Issued		0					
Informal Hearings Referred		0					
Informal Hearings Completed		22					
Informal Hearings Orders Issued		22*					
Petitions for Enforcement Referrals to BOE		0					

*This figure represents 16 orders in which fines totaling \$19,200.00 were impose and 6 orders in which no fines were imposed.

Board Statistics

Board Statistics for August 2021(To Date)

Board Meeting August 26, 2021

PIRM

PCC	0
PAC's	0
ANC's	0
500 Exemption	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0
Initiatives	0
Referendum	0
Independent Expenditure	0
Fair Elections Committee	0

RAAD

PCC	0
PAC's	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0

6. Notices of Hearings	0
First Notices	0
Second Notices	0
7. Notices and Orders Vacated	0
8. Hearings Conducted	0
9. Orders which imposed fines	0

10. Fines imposed \$19,200.00

\$1,200.00	Victor Horton ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Emanuelle Klossou ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Yolanda Fields ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	James Adams ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Stephen Whatley ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Ryan Keefe ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Maureen Kinlan ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Rico Daney ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Ashlee Gates Mercer ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	William Mascaro ANC Candidate

Board Statistics

Board Statistics for August 2021(To Date)

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\$1,200.00 Ali Gardezi ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00 Branon Watts ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00 Dan Wittels ANC Candidates
\$1,200.00 Mushinn Boe Umar ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00 Thaddeus James ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00 Derrick O. Holloway ANC Candidate

Fines Collected \$0

- 6. Investigations completed 0
Orders issued
- 7. Petitions for Enforcement 0
- 8. Outstanding Fines To be Determined*

LIST OF OPEN OCF INVESTIGATIONS

August 2021 (To Date)

NONE

INTERPRETATIVE OPINIONS

August 2021(To Date)

NONE

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SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDINGS

August 2021(To Date)

NONE