



OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE (OCF)
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

January 28, 2025 – The DC Auditor issued a Report on the Status as of December 31, 2024, of the Recommendations made in the January 31, 2022, Final Audit Report for several Entities of the District Government including the Office of Campaign Finance. The Auditor found that Six (6) of the Eleven (11) DCA Recommendations made concerning the Fair Elections Program have been implemented by the Agency, and that Five (5) Recommendations were “in progress.” The Report is under review and the Office of Campaign Finance intends to fully comply with the Report.

Community Outreach

None

FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the FEP’s production stats for the Month of January 2025:

AUTHORIZED FOR BASE AMOUNT AND MATCHING PAYMENTS

2020 Election Cycle. By way of background, the 2020 Election Cycle was the first election cycle during which the Fair Elections Program was fully implemented. 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 (also conducted during this timeframe), 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.

2022 Election Cycle. The Office of Campaign Finance authorized for the total sum of **\$12,358,606.95** for disbursement from the FAIR ELECTIONS FUND in BASE AMOUNT (\$1,680,000.00) AND MATCHING PAYMENTS (\$10,678,606.95), to the Forty-Two (42) Candidates certified in the Fair Elections Program to participate in the June 21, 2022, Primary Election (Thirty-One (31) Candidates) and the November 8, 2022 General Election (Eleven (11) Candidates). The 2022 Election Cycle closed on November 8, 2022.

2024 Election Cycle. There were Twenty (20) certified Participating Candidates in the Fair Elections Program, and the Office of Campaign Finance authorized the disbursement of the total sum of \$2,830,041.15 from the Fair Elections Fund in Base Amount and Matching Payments. The 2024 Election Cycle ended on November 5, 2025, the date of the General Election.

CANDIDATES CERTIFIED IN THE FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM FOR THE 2026 ELECTION CYCLE, AND DISBURSEMENTS MADE DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2025 TO PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES:

*There were no Candidates certified in the Fair Elections Program for the 2026 Election Cycle and no disbursements authorized from the Elections Fund during the Month of January 2025.

DESK REVIEWS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Desk Reviews of Amended Reports of Receipts and Expenditures Thirty-Four (34)
Requests for Additional Information (RAI) LettersSixteen (16)

Candidate/Treasurer Consultations:

None

REMITTED FUNDS

As of January 31, 2025, the total sum of **\$872,102.58** has been remitted for deposit in the Fair Elections Fund.

ONGOING 2020 POST-ELECTION FULL FIELD AUDITS

The 2020 Election Cycle. The following Ten (10) Post-Election Audits are currently ongoing before the Fair Elections Program at various stages, including Audit Documentation received and Audit in progress; Audit Complete and the Preliminary Statement of Findings issued, and/or Response received and Under Review/Draft Final Audit submitted to the Audit Manager and Under Review; and Failure to submit Audit Documentation and Referred to the Office of the General Counsel (OGC). The FEP Division has issued a total of Twenty-Four (24) Final Audit Reports of the Thirty-Four (34) Post-Election Audits initiated for the 2020 Election Cycle.

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. Draft Final Statement of Audit Findings submitted to FEP Manager for review.

2. Mike for Ward 8 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 23, 2021.** Response submitted on July 14, 2021. Draft Final Statement of Audit Findings submitted to the FEP Manager for review.
3. 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. The OGC issued an Order on April 20, 2021, and the Committee was fined One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Referred to the OGC for further action on May 23, 2022.
4. Jordan Grossman for Ward 2 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Finding issued on June 30, 2021.** Response submitted July 12, 2021. Draft Final Statement of Audit Findings submitted to the FEP Manager for review on January 17, 2022. Under review of 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. 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 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. 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, No one representing the committee attended. OGC will reschedule the Hearing. Audit is in progress, with documentation received. Draft Final Statement of Audit Findings submitted to the FEP Manager for review.
2. Committee to Elect Jeanne' Lewis for City Council – Audit documentation received on August 15, 2021. Audit in progress.
3. 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. Audit documentation received on Oct. 5, 2021. Audit in progress.
4. Will Merrifield for DC - Audit documents received on June 6, 2021. Audit in progress.
5. 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. Hearing was held on October 6, 2021. No one from the Committee attended. Order entered imposing fine of Two Thousand

Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,850.00) for failure to respond to the Audit. Referred to OGC for action on May 23, 2022.

ONGOING 2022 POST-ELECTION FULL FIELD AUDITS

The Office of Campaign Finance issued Forty-Two (42) Post-Election Audits Letters for the June 21, 2022, Primary Election and November 8, 2022, General Election to Candidates who were certified to participate in the 2022 Election Cycle. (Audits initiated on March 13, 2023, and March 24, 2023). To date, the FEP has issued Twenty-Six (26) Final Audit Reports for the 2022 Election Cycle, including the following:

Preliminary Audit Findings Reports and Final Audit Reports issued during the Month of January 2025:

1. Brian Schwalb, Brian for DC, Principal Campaign Committee, Post-Election Audit Report issued on January 14, 2025.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the PIRMs production stats for the Month of January 2025:

FILING OF REPORTS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CONSTITUENT SERVICE PROGRAM

January 1st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	7
Total number of timely filers	6
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	0
Total number of extensions granted	0
Total number of FTF	1
Total number of OGC referrals	1
Total number of Electronic Filings	6
Total number of Certified E-Filings	6

SENATOR/REPRESENTATIVE STATEHOOD FUNDS
January 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	3
Total number of extensions granted	3
Total number of FTF	0
Total number of OGC referrals	0
Total number of Electronic Filings	0
Total number of Certified E-Filings	0

TRADITIONAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEES (2024 Candidates)
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	23
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

TRADITIONAL CANDIDATE COMMITTEES FROM PREVIOUS ELECTIONS
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	24
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES (PACs)
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	41
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE COMMITTEES
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	12
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

FAIR ELECTIONS CANDIDATE COMMITTEES FROM PREVIOUS ELECTIONS
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	12
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

FAIR ELECTIONS CANDIDATE COMMITTEES (2024 Candidates)
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	18
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

INITIATIVE/REFERENDUM COMMITTEES
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	2 (2INT – 0REF)
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

RECALL COMMITTEES
January 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Total number of required filers	6
Total number of timely filers	TBD
Total number of late filers	TBD
Total number of extensions requested	TBD
Total number of extensions granted	TBD
Total number of FTF	TBD
Total number of OGC referrals	TBD
Total number of Electronic Filings	TBD
Total number of Certified E-Filings	TBD

NEW CANDIDATES/COMMITTEES

2026 Election Cycle (This is a running list for the 2026 Election Cycle of Candidate/Committee Registrations). New Candidate/Committee Registrations for the current month are in bold.

Traditional Program Candidates

Candidate Totals: 1

Mayor: 1

List of Candidates and Registration Dates

Nicholas Dorsey 1/22/2025

Fair Elections Program Candidates

Candidate Totals: 0

Committee Registrations

Committee Registration Totals: 1

Recall Committees

**Committee to Recall DC Attorney General Brian Schwalb
Sarena Shen, Treasurer
Registration Date: January 27, 2025**

REFERRALS TO THE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

Failure to Timely file the January 1st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Ward 5 Council Office CSF

C. Allison DeFoe Reese - Treasurer

**REPORTS ANALYSIS AND AUDIT DIVISION
(The Traditional Campaign Finance Program)**

The following is an accounting of the RAAD’s production stats for the month of January 2025:

DESK REVIEWS (26) AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Political Action Committees	0
Constituent Service Funds (includes amended reports)	7
US Senator/Representative (includes amended reports)	3

Principal Campaign Committees (includes amended reports and voluntary filings)	13
Advisory Neighborhood Commission Candidates	0
Inaugural Committee	0
Exploratory Committees	0
Independent Expenditures (includes amended reports)	3
Form 16-IE (Single Independent IE)	0
Initiative/Referendum/Recall	0
Twenty-four Hour Reports	0
Attorney General	0
Legal Defense Fund (includes amended reports)	0
Audit Letters (RFAI) Sent	9
Follow-up Letters Sent	0
Case(s) Resolved (includes voluntary amendments)	10
FOIA Request	0
Candidate/Treasurer/Political Committees Consultations	0
Cases Referred to the Office of the General Counsel	0
Cases Referred for Contributions with Same Address and Similar Signatures	0
Cases Terminated	6
Hearings Attended	0
Early Voting Site Visits	0
Precinct Visits	0
Virtual Webinars Attended	0
Outside Seminars Attended	0
Entrance Conferences	0

Other Matters Noted

New auditors training on the audit process
Oversight Questions FY 2024

AUDITS ISSUED

- None

FEP PROGRAM POST ELECTION AUDITS

- **Committee To Elect Eboni-Rose Thompson 2024** – Audit Fieldwork is in Progress.
(Auditor Trainees)

TRADITIONAL PROGRAM AUDITS – NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

- Re-Elect Trayon White 2024
- Jacque for DC 2024
- T. Michelle Colson SBOE Ward 4
- Re-Elect Eboni-Rose for Ward 7

AUDIT NOTIFICATION LETTERS TO BE ISSUED FEBRUARY 3, 2025

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

2024 MONTHLY IN-TAKE/OUTPUT REPORT

	January	February	March	April	May	June	
Opinion Request Received	1						
Opinion Request Completed	1						
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	29						
Informal Hearings Completed	12						
Informal Hearings Orders Issued	12*						
Petitions for Enforcement Referrals to BOE	0						

*This figure represents 3 orders in which no fines were imposed and 9 orders in which a total of \$14,675.00 in fines was imposed.

Board Statistics for January 2025
 Board Meeting February 5, 2025

PIRM

PCC	11
PAC's	6
ANC's	0
500 Exemption	0
Constituent Services	1
Statehood Fund	0
Initiatives	0
Referendum	0
Independent Expenditure	4
Fair Elections Committee	7
Recall	0

RAAD

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

1. Notices of Hearings	34
First Notices	26
Second Notices	8
2. Notices and Orders Vacated	0
3. Hearings Conducted	18
4. Orders which imposed fines	9

Fines imposed \$14,675.00

McDuffie 22	\$2,000.00
Friends of VJ4 Ward 4	\$2,700.00
Our Friend Brandon Douglass	\$2,050.00
Ward Seven Democrats	\$800.00
Robert for DC	\$1,475.00
Robert for DC	\$2,000.00
T. Michelle Colson for SBOE	\$1,500.00
Jacque 4 DC 2024	\$1,400.00
Jacque 4 DC 2024	\$750.00

5. Fines collected	0
7. Investigations completed	0
8. Petitions for Enforcement	0
9. Outstanding Fines	To be Determined

LIST OF OPEN OCF INVESTIGATIONS IN JANUARY 2025

February 5, 2025

NONE

INTERPRETATIVE OPINIONS IN JANUARY 2025

February 5, 2025

Requestor: Dipa Mehta, Esq.

Subject: Whether the prohibitions regarding the use of government resources apply to a recall measure which is related to pending litigation involving the Attorney General of the District of Columbia.

Docketed: January 24, 2025

Status: Opinion Issued January 27, 2025

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

SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDINGS IN JANUARY 2025

February 5, 2025

NONE