

March 12, 2020

**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

February 07, 2020-Testimony on OCF FY19 Performance Report and FY19 Performance Plan. Performance Hearing before Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety Council of the District of Columbia.

- Fair Elections Program Fact Sheet for Ward 2 June 16, 2020 Special Election published on OCF website – January 27, 2020
- OCF 2020 Schedule of Training Seminars published on OCF Website – January 30, 2020
- Lists of Candidates in the Fair Elections Program published on OCF Website – January 31, 2020
- February 20, 2020 FEP Planning committee conducted.
- March 9, 2020 – Charts of Fair Elections Program (FEP) and Traditional Campaign Finance Program Candidates Published at the OCF Website.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

OCF's Educational Program shared information about the agency's Traditional Campaign Finance Program and the new Fair Elections Program through its community outreach program. The agency partners with the Board of Elections in its efforts to increase voter registration through community outreach. OCF's Supervisory Training Officer, Deloris Ramsey, along with two OCF Administrative Assistants participated in the following Community Outreach events:

- ❖ No Activity.

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL (See Attachments)**

<b>FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM DIVISION</b>
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The following is an accounting of FEP's production stats for February 2020:

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

Community outreach for the month of February 2020, for the Fair Elections Program (FEP), consisted of visits to five (5) ANC Community Meetings, ANC 8A on February 5, 2020; ANC 4C on February 12, 2020; ANC on February 18, 2020; ANC on February 19, 2020; and ANC 7B February 20, 2020.

### **NEW CANDIDATES/COMMITTEES\* (3)**

(A total of 43 Candidates were registered in the FEP\* and one withdrawal leaving 42 candidates)

Nate Brown 2020, At-Large Councilmember (Democrat) ..... 2/4/2020  
Will Merrifield for DC...At-Large Council Member, Independent.....2/12/2020  
Monica Palacio for City Council .....At-Large, Independent.....2/12/2020

### **CERTIFICATIONS IN THE FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM**

The following were certificated in the FEP for the month of February 2020:

Friends of Christina Henderson, Councilmember At-Large (Independent) .....2/14/2020  
Markus for DC, Councilmember At-Large (Independent) .....2/21/2020  
Let's Reid 2020, State Board of Education for Ward 8.....2/19/2020

### **SPECIAL ELECTIONS WARD 2**

Jordan Grossman for Ward 2 Special Elections.....2/18/2020  
Kishan Putta for Ward 2 Special Elections..... 2/25/2020

### **STATUS REPORTS ISSUED**

Status Reports issued to candidates seeking certification in the Fair Elections Program, who have not met the threshold requirements.....5

### **NOTICES OF DENIAL OF CERTIFICATIONS AND OR DEFICIENCIES**

Notices of Denials/Deficiencies issued for the Fair Elections Program ..... (Two) 2

### **AUTHORIZED BASE AMOUNT AND MATCHING PAYMENTS**

Patrick Kennedy for Ward 2: \$14,345.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
Kishan for DC 2020: \$12,200.00 in Matching Payments .....2/5/2020  
Committee to Elect Renee Bowser: \$1,475.00 in Matching Payments ..... 2/5/2020  
Kishan for DC 2020: \$225.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
John Fanning for Ward 2: \$4,450.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
Jordan Grossman for Ward 2: \$14,590.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
Committee to Elect Jeneese Lewis George: \$45,455.30.....2/5/2020  
Chander for Council At-Large: \$2,950.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
Chander for Council At-Large: \$925.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
Committee to Elect Janesse Lewis George: \$45,455.00 in Matching Payments.....2/5/2020  
Markus for DC: \$68,395.00, Matching Payments, \$20,000.00, Base Payment .....2/14/2020

Friends of Christina Henderson: \$82,515.00, Matching Payments, \$20,000.00, Base Payment.....2/14/2020  
 Let's Reid: \$5,625.00, Matching Payments, \$5,000.00 Base Payment.....2/18/2020  
 Jordan Grossman for Ward 2 Special Election: \$37,243.05, Matching Payment, \$20,000.00, Base Payment.....2/18/2020  
 Kishan Putta for Ward 2 Special Elections 2020: \$28,539.70, Matching Payments, \$20,000.00, Base Payment.....2/25/2020  
 Jordan Grossman for Ward 2 Special Election: \$1,000.00, Matching Payments.....2/28/2020  
 John Grossman for Ward 2: \$ 500.00, Matching Payments.....2/28/2020

As of February 29, 2020, there are twelve (12) candidates certified under the Fair Elections Program, as Participating Candidates, who are deemed eligible to receive matching payments for qualifying small dollar contributions and the payment of one half of the base amount, and two (2) candidates in the Ward 2 Special Election.

The total Sum of the \$450,888.05 was distributed in Base Amount and Matching Payments during February 2020

#### **DESK REVIEWS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Desk Reviews of the January 31, and February 10, 2020, Mandatory and Optional filings for Reports of Receipts and Expenditures..... Thirty-Eight (38)  
 Requests for Additional Information (RAI) letters ..... Five (5)  
 RAI Referrals to the General Counsel..... One (1)

#### **DETAILED CANDIDATE INFORMATION BY ELECTION**

June 2, 2020 Primary Election: 19 Candidates registered in the FEP Program and 9 Candidates are certified as “participating candidates”.

June 16, 2020 Special Election: 6 Candidates registered in the FEP Program and 2 Candidates are certified as “participating candidates”.

November 3, 2020 General Election: 17 Candidates registered in the FEP Program and 3 Candidates are certified as “participating candidates”.

As of February 29, 2020, the total sum of \$1,193,812.70 has been disbursed in Base Amount and Matching Payments, to the fifteen (15) candidates certified under the Fair Elections Program.

### **PUBLIC INFORMATION AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

The following is an accounting of PIRMs production stats:  
 February 2020

#### **LEGAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES**

**Second Report of Receipts & Expenditures  
 (Due January 2, 2020)**

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

### **PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES & PACs**

#### **January 31<sup>st</sup> Report of Receipts & Expenditures**

Total number of required filers	134(81PCCs -53PACs)
Total number of timely filers	117(67PCCs – 50PACs)*
Total number of late filers	0(0PCCs – 0PACs)
Total number of extensions requested	2(2PCCs – 0PACs)
Total number of extensions granted	2(2PCCs – 0PACs)
Total number of FTF	17(14PCCs – 3PACs)
Total number of OGC referrals	17(14PCCs – 3PACs)
Total number of Electronic Filings	117(67PCCs – 50PACs)
Total number of Certified E-Filings	117(67PCCs – 50PACs)

*\* Fourteen (14) Principal Campaign Committees filed a Termination R&E Report*

### **FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES**

#### **January 31<sup>st</sup> Report of Receipts & Expenditures**

Total number of required filers	38
Total number of timely filers	28
Total number of late filers	0
Total number of extensions requested	5
Total number of extensions granted	5
Total number of FTF	10
Total number of OGC referrals	10
Total number of Electronic Filings	28
Total number of Certified E-Filings	28

### **INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE COMMITTEES**

#### **January 31<sup>st</sup> 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

### **INITIATIVE/REFERNDUM COMMITTEES**

#### **January 31<sup>st</sup> Report of Receipts & Expenditures**

Total number of required filers	7(5Int – 2Ref)
Total number of timely filers	4(4Int – 0 Ref) *
Total number of late filers	0(0Int – 0Ref)
Total number of extensions requested	0(0Int – 0Ref)
Total number of extensions granted	0(0Int – 0Ref)
Total number of FTF	3(1Int – 2Ref)
Total number of OGC referrals	3(1Int – 2Ref)
Total number of Electronic Filings	4(4Int – 0Ref)
Total number of Certified E-Filings	4(4Int – 0Ref)

\* Three (3) Initiative Committees filed a Termination R&E Report

### **RECALL COMMITTEES**

#### **January 31<sup>st</sup> Report of Receipts & Expenditures**

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**

February 2020:

#### **Fair Elections Program Candidates \* (6)**

Jack Evans/Evans 2020 (Ward-2, City Council)	1/30/2020
Jack Evans/Evans Ward 2 (City Council)	1/30/2020
Trayon White/Re-Elect Trayon White 2020 (Ward-8, City Council)	1/31/2020
Nate Brown/Nate Brown 2020 (At-Large, City Council)	2/4/2020
Will Merrifield/Will Merrifield for DC (At-Large, City Council)	2/12/2020
Monica Palacio/Monica Palacio for City Council (At-Large, City Council)	2/18/2020

### **TRADITIONAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE CANDIDATES \* (9)**

Dorothy Douglas (Candidate, U.S. Senate)	2/4//2020
Milton Hardy (Candidate, Ward 7 Chairman, DC Republican Party)	2/7/2020
Travis Korson (Candidate, Ward 6 Chairman, DC Republican Party)	2/7/2020
Asar Mustafa (Candidate, At-Large City Council)	2/12/2020
Donald Green (Candidate, U.S. Representative)	2/13/2020
Brooke Pinto/Brooke Pinto for Ward 2 (City Council)	2/13/2020
Brooke Pinto/Brooke Pinto for Ward 2 Special Election (City Council)	2/13/2020
Eleanor Ory/Committee to Elect Ory for Senate	2/18/2020
Frederick Hill/Fred Hill for Ward 8 Council	2/27/2020

### **INITIATIVE COMMITTEES**

Community Health and Safety Campaign	2/7/2020
U.S. Citizens Recovery Initiative Alliance, Inc.	2/24/2020

### **ENTRANCE CONFERENCES**

(1) February 12, 2020 – participants (9)

Will Merrifield	Candidate, Will Merrifield for DC
Elizabeth Wagner	Treasurer, Will Merrifield for DC
Bill Piper	Treasurer, Community Health and Safety Campaign Initiative
Jack Evans	Candidate, Evans Ward 2
Jack Evans	Candidate, Evans 2020
Juan L. Torres	Treasurer, Ward 5 Democrats
Vince Gray	Candidate, Vince Gray 2020
Nelson Jackson	Candidate, Campaign to Elect Nelson Jackson Ward 8 City Council
Nathan Brown	Candidate/Treasurer, Nate Brown 2020

(2) February 26, 2020 - participants (11)

Donald R. Green, Jr.	Candidate, U.S. Representative
Edier S. Cossio	Treasurer, Franklin for DC 2020
Eleanor Ory	Candidate/Treasurer Committee to Elect Ory for Senator
Donald Dinan	Treasurer, Evans Ward 2
Donald Dinan	Treasurer, Evans 2020
LaJoy Johnson-Law	Candidate, LaJoy Johnson-Law SBOE 2020
Vanessa Lemme'	Treasurer, LaJoy Johnson-Law SBOE 2020

Brooke Pinto	Candidate, Brooke Pinto for Ward 2
Brooke Pinto	Candidate, Brooke Pinto for Ward 2 Special Election
Ella Hanson	Treasurer, Brooke Pinto for Ward 2
Ella Hanson	Treasurer, Brooke Pinto for Ward 2 Special Election
Ariell Henry	Treasurer, Kelvin Brown for DC Council Ward 7

## REPORTS ANALYSIS AND AUDIT DIVISION

The following is an accounting of RAAD's production stats – February 2020:

### **DESK REVIEWS (40) AND OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Political Action Committees (includes amended reports) .....	52
Constituent Service Funds (includes amended reports) .....	4
US Senator/Representative.....	2
Principal Campaign Committees (includes amended Reports) .....	61
Advisory Neighborhood Commission Candidates.....	0
Inaugural Committee.....	0
Exploratory Committees.....	1
Independent Expenditures.....	2
Initiative/Referendum/ReCall.....	2
Twenty-four Hour Reports.....	0
Attorney General.....	0
Legal Defense Fund.....	2
Audit Letters (RFAI) Sent.....	23
Follow-up letters Sent.....	0
Case(s) Resolved.....	6
Cases Referred to the Office of the General Counsel.....	2
Cases Referred for Contributions with Same Address and Similar Signatures.....	0
Cases Terminated .....	1
Hearings Attended .....	1
Precinct Visits.....	0
Webinars Attended – Institute of Internal Auditors.....	0
Outside Seminars Attended .....	0
In House Training .....	0
Entrance Conferences.....	2
Public Finance Planning Committee Meeting.....	0

### **Ongoing Audits:**

#### **Full Field Audit Investigative Based on Complaint Filed**

##### **- D.C. Legal Defense Fund for Jack Evans**

The Audit Notification Letter was issued on February 18, 2020.

#### **Periodic Random Audit – Candidates in the Upcoming 2020 Election**

- Re-Elect Brandon Todd 2020 – Initiated 09/04/19
- Friends of Robert White
- Veda for Ward 7
- Richard Campbell Ward 8 City Council
- Committee to Elect Rogers for Council



The Audit Notification Letters were issued on February 10, 2020.

**Periodic Random Audit – Political Action Committees January 31st filing**

- Verizon Communications Inc. Good Gov't Club PAC
- DC Libertarian Party
- Firefighters Committee on Political Activities
- Greater Washington Board of Trade

The Audit Notification Letters were issued on February 10, 2020.

**Audits Issued:**

- None

2020 MONTHLY IN-TAKE/OUTPUT REPORT  
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

	January	February	March	April	May	June	
Opinion Request Received		0					
Opinion Request Completed		0					
Complaints Received		1					
Internal Queries		0					
Preliminary Investigations Initiated		0					
Preliminary Investigations Orders Issued		0					
Full Investigations Initiated		0					
Full Investigations Orders Issued		0					
Informal Hearings		34					

Referred							
Informal Hearings Completed		22					
Informal Hearings Orders Issued		22*					
Petitions for Enforcement Referrals to BOE		0					

\*This figure represents four (4) Failure to Timely File Orders in which the fines were suspended 17 Failure to Timely File Orders in which a total of \$28,150.00 in fines were and one (1) Oder in which the referral was vacated.

Board Statistics for February 2020  
Board Meeting March 12, 2020

**PIRM**

PCC	15
PAC's	3
ANC's	0
500 Exemption	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0
Initiatives	1
Referendum	2
Independent Expenditure	0
Fair Elections Committee	10

**RAAD**

PCC	2
PAC's	1
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0

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| 1. Notices of Hearings        | 3            |
| First Notices                 | 3            |
| Second Notices                | 0            |
| 2. Notices and Orders Vacated | 0            |
| 3. Hearings Conducted         | 0            |
| 4. Orders which imposed fines | 0            |
| 5. Fines imposed              | \$28,150.00. |

1. Friends of Courtney Snowden	\$2,250.00
2. Carter At Large 20154	\$1,850.00
3. Melik At Large	\$1,850.00
4. Justin Green At Large	\$1,850.00
5. Lannette Woodruff for Sch. BD	\$250.00
6. Cmte. to Elect Natalie Williams	\$1,850.00
7. Seniors united PAC	\$450.00
8. Money Supply increase	\$1,800.00
9. DC Recovery Act	\$1,800.00
10. D.C. Choice	\$2,000.00
11. Holmes for DC	\$1,900.00
12. Cmte. to Elect Prof Alpha Bah	\$1,900.00
13. Toliver for Ward 4	\$1,900.00
14. Cmte. to Elect Jacque Patterson	\$1,900.00
15. Cmte. to Elect Khalid Pitts	\$1,900.00
16. Dustin Canter for DC Mayor	\$1,900.00
17. Nate Brown Ward 8	\$1,000.00
 Fines collected	 \$100.00
 Gayle Carley for Ward 5	 \$100.00
 6. Investigations completed	 0
Orders issued	
 7. Petitions for Enforcement	 0
 8. Outstanding Fines	 To be Determined*

LIST OF OPEN OCF INVESTIGATIONS

March 12, 2020

Complainant: The Committee to Hold Jack Evans Accountable  
Adam Eidinger, Chairman

Date received: February 3, 2020

Respondent : D.C. Legal Defense Committee for Jack Evans

Allegation : Unlawful use of legal defense committee

Status : Referred to the Reports Analysis and Audit Division

INTERPRETATIVE OPINIONS

March 12, 2020

NONE

(All Interpretative Opinions are on-line@ [www.ocf.dc.gov](http://www.ocf.dc.gov))

SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDINGS

March 12, 2020

NONE