



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

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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. The OCF did not participate in Community Outreach events during the month of September 2021.

FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the FEP's production stats for September 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.

As of September 30, 2021, during the 2022 Election Cycle, the total sum of **\$97,555.00** has been disbursed from the FAIR ELECTIONS FUND in BASE AMOUNT (\$20,000.00) AND MATCHING PAYMENTS (\$77,555.00), to the Two (2) Candidates certified to participate in the Fair Elections Program in the June 21, 2022 Primary Election.

CANDIDATES CERTIFIED IN THE FAIR ELECTIONS PROGRAM FOR THE 2022 ELECTION CYCLE DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER:

1. Gordon Fletcher for Ward 5 - September 1, 2021: The Candidate Gordon Fletcher was certified as a Participating Candidate in the Fair Elections Program for the covered office of Member of the Council from Ward 5 during the June 21, 2021 Primary Election; and

the sums of \$29,430.00 in Matching payments and \$20,000.00 for one half of the Base Amount payment were authorized for disbursement.

2. Cheh 2022 - September 1, 2021: The Candidate Mary Cheh was certified as a Participating Candidate in the Fair Elections Program for the covered office of Member of the Council from Ward 3 during the June 21, 2021 Primary Election; and the sum of \$48,125.00 in Matching payments was authorized for disbursement.

DESK REVIEWS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Desk Reviews of Termination and Amended Reports of Receipts and Expenditures Three (3)

Requests for Additional Information (RAI) Letters One (1)

REMITTED FUNDS

As of September 30, 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 2020 Special Election and the 2020 Election Cycle.

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, or referred to the Office of the General Counsel for Enforcement Proceedings.

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.** Response submitted on August 19, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.
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.
2. 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.

3. Patrick Kennedy for Ward 2 – Audit complete. **Preliminary Statement of Findings issued on August 5, 2021.** Response submitted on September 30, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.
 4. 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.
 5. 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. **OGC issued an Order on April 20, 2021, and the Kishan for DC 2020 Campaign Committee was fined One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500).** Will state Audit based on FEP Preliminary Report.
 6. 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.
1. 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. Hearing held March 10, 2021 no response from the Committee. As of October 8, 2021, the committee has not responded to the Audit Letter. Will state Audit based on FEP Preliminary Report.
 2. 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. Enforcement Action pending.
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 Manager.

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.** Will state Audit based on FEP Preliminary Report.
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.** Response received on September 23, 2021 under review by the Audit Manager.
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.** Response received on September 10, 2021 under review of the FEP Manager.
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 received. Referred to the OGC, Hearing held on August 11, 2021, No one representing the committee attended. OGC will reschedule the Hearing.

11. Committee to Elect Janeese Lewis George - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021. Audit documentation received on Oct. 4, 2021. Audit in progress.
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 received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021. Audit documentation received on Oct. 4, 2021. Audit in progress.
14. Monica Palacio for City Council - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021. Audit documentation received on Oct. 5, 2021. Audit in progress.
15. The Committee to Elect Mysiki Valentine - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to the OGC on August 23, 2021. Audit documentation received on Oct. 4, 2021. Audit in progress.
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 received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021. Hearing 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 the failure to respond to the Audit Inquiry. Will state Audit based on FEP Preliminary Report.
20. Randy Downs For Ward 2 - Audit initiated on March 30, 2021. No documentation received as of June 30, 2021. Referred to OGC on August 23, 2021. Enforcement Action pending.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the PIRMs production stats for September 2021:

FILING OF REPORTS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Legal Defense Committees

Eighteenth Report of Receipts & Expenditures

(Due Wednesday September 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

REFERRALS TO THE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

Failure to Timely file the July 31st Report of Receipts & Expenditures

Principal Campaign Committees

The Cmte. To Elect Prof. Alpha Bah, Esq, MBA Alpha Bah, Candidate/Treasurer	Toliver for Ward 4 Dwayne Toliver, Candidate/Treasurer
Kinlow Ward 8 Strong Johnnie Ferguson, Treasurer	Patterson For Ward 8 Jacque Patterson, Candidate/Treasurer
Friends of Courtney R. Snowden Courtney Snowden, Candidate/Treasurer	Carter At-Large 2014 Christian Carter, Candidate/Treasurer
Committee to Elect Jacque Patterson 2016 Lamont Harrell, Treasurer	Bonita Goode 2016 Bonita Goode, Candidate/Treasurer

Principal Campaign Committees 2020

Edwards for Ward 4 2020 Marlena Edwards, Treasurer	Cmte. to Elect Claudia Barragan City Council Jose Valcarcel, Treasurer
The Committee to Elect Perry Redd David Schwartzman, Treasurer	Jacque4DC Derrell Simpson, Treasurer

Citizens to Elect Bill Lewis 2020
Charlotte B. Lewis, Treasurer

Oye 4 U.S. Representative 2022
Adeoye Owolewa, Treasurer

Citizens to Elect Bill Lewis
Charlotte B. Lewis, Treasurer

Principal Campaign Committees 2020 (Public Finance)

Monica Palacio for City Council
Juan Jara, Treasurer

Martin for Ward 2
Sarah Palenik, Treasurer

Markus for DC
Markus Batchelor, Treasurer

James for Ward 2 SBOE
James Harnett, Treasurer

Washington for Ward 8 DC
Abiye Abebe, Treasurer

Keith Silver for DC
Keith Silver, Treasurer

Cmte. To Elect Stuart Anderson 2020
Stuart Anderson, Candidate

Randy Downs for Ward 2
Jesse Jackson, Treasurer

James for Ward 2 State Board of Education
James Harnett, Treasurer

Political Action Committees

Capital Stonewall Democrats (Formerly Gertrude Stein Democratic Club)
Detrick Campbell, Treasurer

Initiative Committees

U.S. Citizens Recovery Initiative Alliance, Inc.
John Cheeks, Treasurer

D.C. Recovery Act for Living Descendants of American Slaves
John Cheeks, Treasurer

Referendum Committees

Money Supply Increase Initiative & Referendum
Ameer Flippin, Treasurer

NEW CANDIDATES/COMMITTEES*

2022 Election Cycle (This is a running list for the 2022 Election Cycle of Candidate/Committee Registrations) **(September 2021 Registrations are Highlighted).**

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
Corren Brown (Mayor)	Registration Date: 8/23/2021
Fred Hill (Council, At-Large)	Registration Date: 8/31/2021
Anita Bonds* (Council, At-Large)	Registration Date: 9/1/2021

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
Erin Palmer (Council, Chairperson)	Registration Date: 9/23/21
Zachary Parker (Council, Ward 5)	Registration Date: 8/30/2021
Sharece Crawford (Council, At-Large)	Registration Date: 9/3/2021
Brianne Nadeau* (Council, Ward 1)	Registration Date: 9/14/2021
Faith Gibson Hubbard (Council, Ward 5)	Registration Date: 9/28/2021

*(*Incumbent)*

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 September 2021

1. Gordon Fletcher/Candidate for Council, Ward 5
2. Ronald D. Thompson, Jr./Treasurer, Erin for DC
3. Zachary Parker/Candidate for Council, Ward 5
4. C. Allison DeFoe Reese/Treasurer, Friends of Zachary Parker 2022
5. Corren Brown/Candidate for Mayor
6. Katherine Tilley/Treasurer, Brianne for DC 2022
7. Jason Hall/Treasurer, DC for Sharece Crawford
8. Don Dinan/Treasurer, Re-Elect Anita Bonds 2022
9. Anita Bonds/Candidate for Council, At-Large

REPORTS ANALYSIS AND AUDIT DIVISION

The following is an accounting of the RAAD’s production stats for August 23 through October 8, 2021:

DESK REVIEWS (68) AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Political Action Committees (includes amended reports)	10
Constituent Service Funds (includes amended reports)	9
US Senator/Representative (includes amended reports)	3
Principal Campaign Committees (includes amended reports)	42
Advisory Neighborhood Commission Candidates	0
Inaugural Committee	0
Exploratory Committees	0
Independent Expenditures	0
Form 16-IE	0
Initiative/Referendum/Recall	1
Twenty-four Hour Reports	0
Attorney General	2
Legal Defense Fund	1
Audit Letters (RFAI) Sent	10
Follow-up Letters Sent	0

Case(s) Resolved	21
FOIA Request	2
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	0
Precinct Visits	0
Virtual Webinars Attended	2
Outside Seminars Attended	0
In House Training (Auditor Training New employee)	0
Entrance Conferences	0

AUDITS ISSUED

None

ONGOING AUDITS

Newly Elected Officials – Full Field Audits

- **Brooke Pinto for Ward 2** – Preliminary Draft Audit Report issued August 25, 2021. The Committee met with the Audit staff on October 8, 2021 to discuss the findings, recommendations, and a response to the Preliminary Draft Audit Report.
- **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 was requested 06/23/21. Hearing held on August 18, 2021 as reinforcement for additional records. Records were received September 2, 2021. The audit fieldwork will continue.**

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

- **Mendelson 2022** – The Preliminary Draft Statement of Findings was issued on September 24, 2021. The Committee requested an extension to respond until October 24, 2021.
- **Ward 6 Democrats** – The audit fieldwork is in complete. The Preliminary Draft Statement of Findings was issued on October 7, 2021.

Constituent Service Programs – October 1, 2021 Report of Receipts and Expenditures

- **Mayor Bowser’s Constituent Service Program** – Audit Notification Letter issued on October 8, 2021.
- **Our Ward 5 Constituent Service Program** – Audit Notification Letter issued on October 8, 2021.

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

	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Opinion Request Received			2				
Opinion Request Completed			2				
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			37				
Informal Hearings Completed			34				
Informal Hearings Orders Issued			34				
Petitions for Enforcement Referrals to BOE			0				

*This figure represents 29 orders in which fines totaling \$52,900.00 were impose, 1 order in which the fine was suspended and 4 orders in which the Notices of Hearings and Statements of Violations were vacated.

Board Statistics for September 2021
Board Meeting October 13, 2021

PIRM

PCC	15
PAC's	1
ANC's	0
500 Exemption	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0
Initiatives	3
Referendum	1
Independent Expenditure	0
Fair Elections Committee	9

RAAD

PCC	8
PAC's	0
Constituent Services	0
Statehood Fund	0

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| 1. Notices of Hearings | 42 |
| First Notices | 29 |
| Second Notices | 13 |
| 2. Notices and Orders Vacated | 4 |
| 3. Hearings Conducted | 7 |
| 4. Orders which imposed fines | 29 |
| 5. Fines imposed | \$52,800.00 |

\$1,200.00	Brittany Hughes ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Ashley Ruff ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Kimory S. Orendoff ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Dexter Humphrey ANC Candidate
\$1,200.00	Joshua Mater ANC Candidate
\$1,950.00	Cecelia Waldeck ANC Candidate
\$1,950.00	Taali Din-Uqdah ANC Candidate
\$1,950.00	LaRoya Huff ANC Candidate
\$1,950.00	Joel Caston ANC Candidate

\$1,950.00 Wendell Felder ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Matthew Sampson ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Bruce Jones ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Regina Pixley ANC Candidates
 \$1950.00 Justyn Inman ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Moses Smith ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Deborah Thomas ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Karlene Armstead ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Kendall Simmons ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Ellen Armstead ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Mustafa Abdul Salaam ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Dolores Bryant ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 George Reid ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Karen Settles ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Victor Horton ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Terri Acker ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Kadajah Watson ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Evelyn Hudson ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Christopher Hawthorne ANC Candidate
 \$1,950.00 Rhonda Edward-Hines ANC Candidate

Fines Collected \$2,250.00

1. \$200.00 installment on a \$1,000.00 fine imposed against the Candidate and the Treasurer of the Patrick Kennedy for Ward 2 2020, Special Election, Principal Campaign Committee.
2. \$2,050.00 John Fanning for Ward 2, 2020.

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

LIST OF OPEN OCF INVESTIGATIONS

September 2021

NONE

INTERPRETATIVE OPINIONS

September 2021

#2021-01 Requestor: Thorn Pozen

Submitted: August 26, 2021

Issue: Segregation of Non-Resident Contributions to FEP
Candidates

Status: Issued September 10, 2021

#2021-02 Requestor: Thorn Pozen

Submitted: August 31, 2021

Issue: Funding an Independent Expenditure Committee
through a 501(c) (4) Non-profit organization

Status: Issued September 30, 2021

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

SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDINGS

September 2021

NONE