

THE JANUARY 31, 2017 BIENNIAL REPORT

The District of Columbia Office of Campaign Finance hereby presents the January 31, 2017 Biennial Report, which covers the contributions and expenditures of candidates and committees for the period from January 2015 through December 2016.

D.C. Official Code, Section 1-1163.04(7) (2001 Edition, as amended), requires the Director of the Office of Campaign Finance to present to the Mayor, the Council, and the general public, commencing on January 31, 2001, and every two years thereafter, a biennial report, summarizing the receipts and expenditures of candidates for public office (except candidates for Advisory Neighborhood Commission Member) and committees, including principal campaign committees, political action committees, independent expenditure committees, as well as exploratory, inaugural, transition, and legal defense committees, in the prior two year period.

The January 31, 2017 Biennial Report depicts contributions by the size of the donation and donor type, in dollar amount and percentage terms, and expenditures by various categories, in dollar amount and percentage terms. Graphs are used to present the percentage terms. Since the submission of the first Biennial Report on January 31, 2001, the Office of Campaign Finance has developed Summary Reports at the OCF Web Site, www.ocf.dc.gov, following each statutory filing deadline, which detail for the reporting period, the dollar amount and percentages associated with receipts by donor type and amount, and expenditures by various categories. These Summary Reports provide the foundation for the cumulative 2017 Biennial Report.

New to the 2017 Biennial Report is a listing and chart depicting the “Top Three Committees by Contributions Received” during the past two year period by office type under Part I, Candidates and Principal Campaign Committees. The “Top Three Committees by Contributions Received” is also listed in Part II, Political Action Committees, Part III, Independent Expenditures, Part IV, Inaugural Committees, and Part V, Exploratory Committees. Please note that there were no transition and legal defense committees registered during this period.

The 2017 Biennial Report is presented in five parts. The Report may contain the following information where relevant to the activities of the particular committee type.

1. A summary of each candidate’s receipts, in dollar amount and percentage terms, by donor categories such as the candidate, individuals, political party committees, other political committees, corporations, partnerships, and labor organizations.
2. A summary of each candidate’s receipts, in dollar amount and percentage terms, by the size of the donation, including donations of \$2000 or more; donations of \$1000 or more but less than \$2000; donations of \$500 or more but less than \$1000; donations of \$250 or more but less than \$500; donations of \$100 or more but less than \$250; and donations of less than \$100.
3. The total amount of a candidate’s receipts and expenditures, respectively, for primary and general elections, when applicable.
4. A summary of each candidate’s expenditures, in dollar amount and percentage terms, by

general operating expenditures, transfers to other authorized committees, loan repayments, refunds of contributions, other expenditures, and offsets to receipts.

- General Operating Expenditures may include each expenditure made for Accounting Services, Advertising, Bank Fees, Campaign Events/Fund Raising, Campaign Materials and Supplies, Candidate Loan Repayment, Catering/Refreshments, Computer Supplies/Equipment, Consulting Services, Equipment Purchases/Rental, In-Kind, Office Maintenance, Office Rental, Office Supplies/Furniture, Other Loan Repayment, Petty Cash, Polling/Mailing Lists, Postage/Shipping/Courier Rates, Printing/Copying, Salary/Stipend, Telephone/Communication, Trash/Poster Removal, Travel/Vehicle Expense, Utility Expense, and other Expenses.
 - Transfers to other Authorized Political Committees.
 - Loan Repayments.
 - Refunds of Contributions may include each contribution Refund to Individuals, Organizations, Political Party Committees, and other Political Committees (PACs).
 - Other Expenditures may include all expenditures other than the aforementioned, which may include Independent Expenditures made by persons expressly advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate, which are made without cooperation or consultation with any candidate and/or authorized committee and/or agent of the candidate; Donations to Charities, Churches, Political Committees, Scholarship and Statehood Funds; Payments to the Internal Revenue Service and for Fines; and Tickets to Events.
 - Offsets to Receipts may include Refunds, Rebates, Returned Checks, Non- Sufficient Fund Fees, and other Offsets to Operating Expenditures.

I wish to acknowledge the contributions and commitment of the staff of the Office of Campaign Finance in the compilation of the information contained in this Report.

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