

Fair Political Practices Commission
Filing Schedule for Political Party Committees
January through December 2022
Including Activity for State Special Primary and Special General Elections
February 15, April 19, June 7, and November 8, 2022

Note: Political party committees must file pre-election statements in connection with any state election, including a state special election, if the committee receives contributions of \$1,000 or more, or makes contributions or independent expenditures of \$500 or more in connection with a state election. This may be true even if the committee does not make a payment in connection with the particular election by virtue of receiving contributions during the applicable reporting period. This includes state elections held in both even and odd numbered years.

Please read notes carefully. **Special elections covered: AD 17 and AD 49**

Semi-Annual and Pre-Election Deadlines

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes: Please read notes carefully.
Jan 6, 2022** <i>1st Pre-Election</i> <i>(Feb 15 Primary)</i>	1/1/22 – 1/1/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the February 15 election. The first pre-election and second pre-election statements for the February 15 primary may be combined.
Jan 31, 2022 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/21	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.
Feb 3, 2022** <i>2nd Pre-Election</i> <i>(Feb 15 Primary)</i>	1/2/22 – 1/29/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the February 15 election. The first pre-election and second pre-election statements for the February 15 primary may be combined.
Mar 10, 2022 <i>1st Pre-Election</i> <i>(Apr 19 General)</i>	1/30/22 – 3/5/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 19 election.
Apr 7, 2022 <i>2nd Pre-Election</i> <i>(Apr 19 General)</i>	3/6/22 – 4/2/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the April 19 election.
Apr 28, 2022 <i>1st Pre-Election</i> <i>(Jun 7 Primary)</i>	1/1/22 – 4/23/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the June 7 election.
May 26, 2022 <i>2nd Pre-Election</i> <i>(Jun 7 Primary)</i>	4/24/22 – 5/21/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the June 7 election.

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Aug 1, 2022 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 6/30/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.
Sep 29, 2022 <i>1st Pre-Election (Nov 8 General)</i>	7/1/22 – 9/24/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the November 8 election.
Oct 27, 2022 <i>2nd Pre-Election (Nov 8 General)</i>	9/25/22 - 10/22/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i> or if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the November 8 election.
Jan 31, 2023 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/22	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.

See next pages for additional reporting information.

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Additional Reports

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 24 Hours <i>Election Cycle Reports</i>	11/17/21 – 2/15/22 <i>(Feb 15 Primary)</i> 1/19/22 – 4/19/22 <i>(Apr 19 General)</i> 3/9/22 – 6/7/22 <i>(Jun 7 Primary)</i> 8/10/22 – 11/8/22 <i>(Nov 8 General)</i>	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 496: File if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>made</i> in connection with a candidate or ballot measure being voted on the February 15 or April 19 or June 7 or November 8 ballot. • 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>received</i> from a single source. • 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is <i>made</i> to or in connection with a candidate or ballot measure being voted on the February 15 or April 19 or June 7 or November 8 ballot or to another political party committee. • E-file only. No paper copy is required.
Within 48 Hours <i>Issue Advocacy Report</i>	1/1/22 – 2/15/22 <i>(Feb 15 Primary)</i> 3/5/22 – 4/19/22 <i>(Apr 19 General)</i> 4/23/22 – 6/7/22 <i>(Jun 7 Primary)</i> 9/24/22 – 11/8/22 <i>(Nov 8 General)</i>	E-530	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File if a payment or promise of a payment of \$50,000 or more is made during the 45 days prior to an election for a communication that identifies a state candidate being voted upon in the election but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of the candidate. No paper copy is required. • E-file only. No paper copy is required.
Within 10 Days <i>Independent Expenditure Verification</i>	Ongoing	462	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committees making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only. No paper copy is required. • Committees file only one Form 462 per election for each candidate or measure supported or opposed by an independent expenditure. Until the California Access Replacement System (CARS) is live, committees making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only, no paper copy is required. Once the CARS system is live, this report will be eliminated as the information will be captured on other statements and reports.
Within 10 Business Days <i>\$5,000 Report State Ballot Measure Payments</i>	Ongoing	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 496: Report each independent expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. • 497: Report each contribution totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. • Contributions Received: List all new contributions of \$100 or more received by the committee that have not been previously reported up through the date of the \$5,000 or more payment. • Until the California Access Replacement System (CARS) is live, only e-filers file this report. Once the CARS system is live, all filers file this report online or electronically with the Secretary of State.
Within 10 Days <i>Paid Spokesperson Report</i>	Ongoing	511	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File if either of the following expenditures related to an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure is made: 1) a payment totaling \$5,000 or more to an individual to appear in an advertisement, or 2) a payment of any amount to an individual portraying a member of a licensed occupation (e.g., nurse, doctor, firefighter). E-filers must also file a paper copy. Once the California Access Replacement System (CARS) is live, all filers will file this report online or electronically with the Secretary of State.

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Additional Notes:

- ***Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1 if no previous statement has been filed.
- ****Deadlines:** Due to the date of the February 15, AD 17 Special Primary Election, the first pre-election and the second pre-election statement for the February 15, AD 17 Special Primary Election may be combined. The filing period for a combined pre-election statement is 1/1/22 through 1/29/22. The deadline for filing a combined pre-election statement is the deadline for the 2nd pre-election, February 3, 2022.
- **Deadline Extensions:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to a 24-Hour/10-Day Contribution Report (Form 497) that is due the weekend before an election, and this extension never applies to any 24-Hour/10-Day Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496). Such reports must be filed within 24 hours regardless of the day of the week.
- **California Access Replacement System (CARS):** The new California Access Replacement System (CARS) is currently in development with an undetermined go live date. Once the California Access Replacement System (CARS) system is live, all state committees will file online or electronically with the Secretary of State.
- **E-filer:** Until the California Access Replacement System (CARS) is live, only state committees that have received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000 or more e-file. Once the CARS system is live, all state committees must file online or electronically with the Secretary of State.
- **Forms 450 and 460:** All state committees, including e-filers, must also file paper statements. Paper statements may be filed by first class mail unless otherwise noted. Once the California Access Replacement System (CARS) system is live, all state committees will file online or electronically with the Secretary of State, no paper copies will be required.
- **Forms 496 and 497:** Payments for member communications are reportable within 24 hours if the member communication would otherwise be considered a contribution or independent expenditure, and the payments are made during the election cycle.
- **State Contribution Limits:** Refer to the [contribution limits chart](#) on the FPPC website.
- **Penalties:** Late statements and reports are subject to a fine of \$10 per day on both the paper and the e-filed version (e.g., \$20 per day for a late e-filed Form 460). Once the California Access Replacement System (CARS) system is live, all state committees will file online or electronically with the Secretary of State and late e-filed statements and reports will be subject to a fine of \$10 per day. Failure to file a statement or report could result in an enforcement penalty of \$5,000 per violation.
- **Public Documents:** All statements and reports are public documents.
- **Resources:** Campaign manuals and other instructional materials are available on the [Campaign Rules](#) page. Or, visit www.fppc.ca.gov > Learn > Campaign Rules.