

**Fair Political Practices Commission
Filing Schedule for
Political Party Committees
January through June 2016
Special Primary and State Primary and Special General Elections
April 5, 2016 and June 7, 2016**

Note: Political parties are subject to reporting deadlines in connection with each state election including special elections. This is true even if the committee does not make a payment in connection with the particular election, but receives contributions and/or makes contributions/independent expenditures. Please read notes carefully. *Special Election: AD 31*

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Feb 1, 2016 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/15	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All committees must file this report. The January 31 deadline falls on a Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
Within 24 Hours <i>Election Cycle Reports</i>	1/6/16 – 4/5/16 <i>(April 5 Primary)</i>	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-File only – no paper copy is required. 496: File if an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is made to support or oppose a candidate on the April 5 or June 7 ballot. 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is received from a single source. 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more in the aggregate is made to a candidate on the April 5 or June 7 ballot, or to another political party committee.
	4/6/16 – 6/7/16 <i>(June 7 General)</i>		
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 supported or opposed by an independent expenditure.
Feb 25, 2016 <i>1st Pre-Election (Special Primary)</i>	1/1/16 – 2/20/16	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 450 or 460: File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the special primary election.
Mar 24, 2016 <i>2nd Pre-Election (Special Primary)</i>	2/21/16 – 3/19/16	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 450 or 460: File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the special primary election.
Apr 28, 2016 <i>1st Pre-Election (June 7 Primary and Special General)</i>	3/20/16 – 4/23/16	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 450 or 460: File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the June 7 or special general elections.
May 26, 2016 <i>2nd Pre-Election (June 7 Primary and Special General)</i>	4/24/16 – 5/21/16	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 450 or 460: File if contributions totaling \$1,000 or more were <i>received</i>. File if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$500 or more were <i>made</i> in connection with the June 7 or special general elections.

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Aug 1, 2016

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[450](#) or
[460](#)

- **450 or 460:** All committees must file.
- The July 31 deadline falls on a Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.

Semi-Annual

Additional Reports

Within 48 Hours

2/20/16 – 4/4/16
(April 5 Primary)

E-530

- 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.

*Issue
Advocacy
Report*

4/23/16 – 6/6/16
*(June 7 Primary and
Special General)*

**Within 10
Business Days**

Ongoing

496
496

- **Only e-filers file this report:**
- **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.

*\$5,000 Report
State Ballot Measure
Payments*

**Within 10
Business Days**

Ongoing

[511](#)

- File within 10 days of making either of the following expenditures related to an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure: 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 also file online.

*Paid
Spokesperson
Report*

- **This filing schedule is prepared for the special election only. Committees making payments in connection with other elections may trigger other reports.**
- ***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.
- **E-Filer:** A state committee that has received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000 or more.
- **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.

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- **Forms 450 and 460:** All state committees, including e-filers, must also file paper reports. Paper reports may be filed by first class mail unless otherwise noted.
- **Filing Deadlines:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to any 24-hour independent expenditure reports (Form 496) or to 24-hour contribution reports (Form 497) that are due the weekend before the election. Such reports must be filed within 24 hours regardless of the day of the week.
- **Penalties:** Failure to file a statement on time subjects a committee to a fine of \$10 per day on both the paper and the e-filed version resulting in a \$20 per day fine. Failure to file a statement could result in an enforcement penalty of \$5,000 per violation.
- **Contribution Limits:** Refer to the [contribution limits chart](#) on the FPPC website.
- **Public Documents:** All forms are public documents. Manuals and instructional materials are available at www.fppc.ca.gov, click on the [Learn](#) link.