### BEFORE THE STATE OF FLORIDA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re ANGELIQUE COOK,	)	Financial Disclosure Appeal No.	FD 21-020
Appellant.	)	Final Order No.	25-XXX
	)		

### FINAL ORDER

This matter came before the Commission on Ethics, meeting in public session on April 25, 2025, on the appeal of Appellant, pursuant to Section 112.3145(8)(g) (subsequently renumbered to Section 112.3145(8)(f)), Florida Statutes, which assesses an automatic fine of \$25 per day on a person who fails to timely file a required CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests. The Commission may waive the fine in whole or in part for good cause shown, based on "unusual circumstances" surrounding the failure to file by the designated date. There are no matters in dispute. Appellant did not request a hearing before the Commission.

### Findings of Fact

- 1. According to information provided to the Commission, Appellant served as a Procurement Analyst for the City of St. Petersburg, a position requiring the filing of a 2020 CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests. In 2021, the designated due date for submitting a 2020 CE Form 1 was July 1, 2021, with a grace period ending on September 1, 2021.
- 2. No later than June 1, 2021, the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections sent Appellant a 2020 CE Form 1. This notice was sent to Appellant at 2643 67<sup>th</sup> Terrace North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702.
- 3. No later than August 1, 2021 the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections sent Appellant a notice of delinquency by certified mail.

- 4. On August 20, 2021, the Commission on Ethics mailed Appellant a postcard intended to remind her of her obligation to file a 2020 CE Form 1. The Commission mailed the postcard to the 2643 67<sup>th</sup> Terrace North address.
- 5. On August 24, 2021, the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections contacted Appellant by email and informed her that it still had not received her 2020 Form 1.
- 6. On September 2, 2021, the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections contacted Appellant by email and informed her that her form was past due. The email also stated that fines of \$25 per day started on September 1, 2021. Appellant responded the same day and stated that she was no longer a city employee, but would fill out the form.
- 7. On September 3, 2021, the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections contacted Appellant by email, reminding her that fines were accruing and that she still had to submit the Form as long as she was still working for the City as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
- 8. On September 8, 2021, the Commission on Ethics mailed Appellant a courtesy notice of fines accruing. This letter was sent to the 2643 67<sup>th</sup> Terrace North address.
- 9. On September 23, 2021, Appellant submitted her 2020 CE Form 1 to the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections, which was 22 days after the expiration of the grace period.
- 10. On October 19, 2023, the Commission sent Appellant a Notice of Assessment of Automatic Fine. The notice was sent by mail to the 2643 67<sup>th</sup> Terrace North address. It indicated the total of Appellant's accrued automatic fine was \$550 and that the deadline to appeal was November 17, 2023.
- 11. On October 30, 2023, the Commission received Appellant's appeal of her automatic fine for Form Year 2020. One reason Appellant gave in her appeal was a claim of timely filing, attaching confirmation from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections that it received her 2020

CE Form 1 on September 23, 2021. Appellant also stated that she never received certified mail from the Commission or the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections regarding fines or delinquencies until October 27, 2023.

### Conclusions of Law

- 12. The Commission has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this proceeding pursuant to Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes.
- 13. Financial disclosure is required of public officials and employees because it enables the public to evaluate potential conflicts of interest, deters corruption, and increases public confidence in government.
- 14. Section 112.3145(8)(g)2. (subsequently renumbered to Section 112.3145(8)(f)2.), Florida Statutes, states:

Any reporting person may appeal or dispute a fine, based upon unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date, and may request and is entitled to a hearing before the commission, which may waive the fine in whole or in part for good cause shown. Any such request must be in writing and received by the commission within 30 days after the notice of payment due is transmitted. In such a case, the reporting person must, within the 30-day period, notify the person designated to review the timeliness of reports in writing of his or her intention to bring the matter before the commission. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "unusual circumstances" does not include the failure to monitor an e-mail account or failure to receive notice if the person has not notified the commission of a change in his or her e-mail address.

15. Here, Appellant first made a claim of timely filing of her financial disclosure. Although Appellant attached confirmation from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections that it received her 2020 CE Form 1 on September 23, 2021, this was not a timely filing, as the end of the penalty-free grace period was September 1, 2021. However, Appellant also noted that she never received any certified mail from the State or the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections

regarding her delinquent filing and fine. There is no evidence to dispute Appellant's claim that she never received any certified mail from the State or the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections regarding her 2020 CE Form 1 filing requirement. Considering Appellant's claims, and that there is no evidence showing otherwise, there are "unusual circumstances" here that justify waiving the \$550 fine.

### Order

Based on the foregoing facts and conclusions of law, the Commission hereby finds that unusual circumstances for failure to file have been demonstrated. We therefore waive the assessed fine of \$500.

ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in public session on Friday, April 25, 2025.

Date Rendered

Luis M. Fusté

Chair, Florida Commission on Ethics

THIS ORDER CONSTITUTES FINAL AGENCY ACTION. ANY PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER HAS THE RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW UNDER SECTION 120.68, AND SECTION 112.3241, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY FILING A NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL PURSUANT TO RULE 9.110 FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE, WITH THE CLERK OF THE COMMISSION ON ETHICS, AT EITHER 325 JOHN KNOX ROAD, BUILDING E, SUITE 200, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303 OR P.O. DRAWER 15709, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32317-5709; AND BY FILING A COPY OF THE NOTICE OF APPEAL ATTACHED TO WHICH IS A CONFORMED COPY OF THE ORDER DESIGNATED IN THE NOTICE OF APPEAL ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPLICABLE FILING FEES WITH THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL. THE NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE THIS ORDER IS RENDERED.

LMF: aln

Ms. Angelique Cook 2643 67<sup>th</sup> Terrace North St. Petersburg, FL 33702

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Holmes, Kim

21-020

From:

Angel M Cook <angelcook4118@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, October 30, 2023 1:54 PM

To:

disclosure

**Subject:** 

Appeal of Automatic Fine For Form Year 2020 PID# 284032

Follow Up Flag:

Follow up Completed FLORIDA

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PID#284032

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Angelique Cook

2643 67th Terrace N St. Petersburg FL, 33702

Angelcook4118@gmail.com

727-557-7224

Public Employer: City of St. Petersburg Public Position: Procurement Analyst

I hear by appeal the Notice of Assessment of Automatic Fine on the following basis:

C. Claim of timely filing of financial disclosure. See below and attached from Supervisor of Elections co firming receipt of form.

F. No certified mail was received from the State or Supervior of Elections until 10/27/2023 regarding any type of fine or delinquency.

Please contact me directly with any questions.

Thank you, Angel

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Fidler, Laurie < lfidler@votepinellas.gov>

Date: Thu, Sep 23, 2021 at 11:06 AM

Subject: RE: IMPORTANT: 2020 Form 1 is Past Due To: Angel M Cook <a href="mailto:angelcook4118@gmail.com">angelcook4118@gmail.com</a>

Form 1 received. To check the status of your financial disclosure form, <u>click here</u>. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,



Voter Outreach Manager

Representing Julie Marcus, Supervisor of Elections

13001 Starkey Rd., Largo, FL 33773

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lfidler@votepinellas.gov

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From: Angel M Cook <a href="mailto:sangelcook4118@gmail.com">sent: Thursday, September 23, 2021 10:59 AM</a>

To: Fidler, Laurie < lfidler@votepinellas.gov>

Subject: Re: IMPORTANT: 2020 Form 1 is Past Due

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Angel,
It looks like you may have forgotten to attach the second page.
Thank you,
Laurie
Get <u>Outlook for iOS</u>
From: Angel M Cook <angelcook4118@gmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 5:32:43 PM To: Fidler, Laurie <a href="mailto:lfidler@votepinellas.gov">lfidler@votepinellas.gov</a>&gt;</angelcook4118@gmail.com>
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On Fri, Sep 3, 2021 at 9:16 AM Fidler, Laurie < <a href="mailto:lfidler@votepinellas.gov">lfidler@votepinellas.gov</a> > wrote: Hi Angel,
Please get this back to me as soon as possible, as you have began to accrue fines as of September 1. Even if you've left the position, you're required to submit this form if you were working as of 12/31/2020.

Failure to file by September 1, 2021 will result in an automatic fine imposed on you of \$25.00 for each late day, up to a maximum penalty of \$1,500. In addition, the Commission on Ethics must initiate investigations of delinquent filers in certain circumstances. See section 112.3145(8)(c), Florida Statutes.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Laurie Fidler

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From: Angel M Cook < angelcook4118@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 2, 2021 6:10 PM **To:** Fidler, Laurie < lfidler@votepinellas.gov>

Subject: Re: IMPORTANT: 2020 Form 1 is Past Due
<b>CAUTION:</b> This message has originated from outside of the organization. <u>Do not</u> click on links or open attachments unless you are expecting the correspondence from the sender and know the content is safe.
Hi!
I am no longer a City employee. I'll fill this out and get it back to you.
Thank you,
Angel
On Thu, Sep 2, 2021 at 9:14 AM Fidler, Laurie < <a href="mailto:lfidler@votepinellas.gov">lfidler@votepinellas.gov</a> > wrote:
Good morning Angelique,
This email is to remind you that your 2020 Statement of Financial Interest form has not been received by ou office and is now past due.
· July 1, 2021: <u>WAS</u> the deadline for 2020 Form 1 to be submitted to our office.
· July 31, 2021: Certified letters (at a cost of \$5.86 each) were mailed to non-filers of their 2020 Form 1.
· Failure to file by September 1, 2021: Will be an automatic fine imposed on you of \$25.00 for each late day.
Please submit your 2020 Form 1 as soon as possible. Attached to this email is a 2020 Form 1 for your convenience.

If we may be of assistance, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Laurie Fidler

Voter Outreach Manager

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From: Fidler, Laurie

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2021 8:28 AM **To:** Fidler, Laurie < <u>lfidler@votepinellas.gov</u>>

Subject: 2020 Form 1 is DUE

Importance: High

Good morning,

This is a reminder that our office has not yet received your 2020 Form 1 Statement of Financial Interest form.

The following is the link to the Commission on Ethics 2020 Form 1 form and instructions. I have also attached a PDF the 2020 Form 1.

http://www.ethics.state.fl.us/Documents/Forms/Form%201\_2020i.pdf?cp=2021615

Questions you may have regarding completing your Form 1 form can be directed to the Florida Commission on Ethics. Their phone number is (850) 488-7864.

Sincerely,

Laurie Fidler

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f, prepare  Form 1 in accordance with Section 112.3145, Florida Statute instructions to the form. Upon my reasonable knowledge and disclosure herein is true and correct.		
Date Signed:	CPA/Attorney Signature;  Date Signed:	
THING INSTRUCTIONS:		

#### FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

If you were mailed the form by the Commission on Ethics or a County Supervisor of Elections for your annual disclosure filing, return the form to that location. To determine what category your position falls under, see page 3 of instructions.

Local officers/employees file with the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which they permanently reside. (If you do not permanently reside in Florida, file with the Supervisor of the county where your agency has its headquarters.) Form 1 filers who file with the Supervisor of Elections may file by mail or email. Contact your Supervisor of Elections for the mailing address or email address to use. Do not email your form to the Commission on Ethics, it will be returned.

State officers or specified state employees who file with the Commission on Ethics may file by mail or email. To file by mail, send the completed form to P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709, physical address: 325 John Knox Rd, Bldg E, Ste 200, Tallahassee, FL 32303. To file with the Commission by email, scan your completed form and any attachments as a pdf (do not use any other format), send it to CEForm1@leg.state.fl.us and retain a copy for your records. Do not file by both mail and email. Choose only one filing method. Form 6s will not be accepted via email.

Candidates file this form together with their filing papers.

MULTIPLE FILING UNNECESSARY: A candidate who files a Form 1 with a qualifying officer is not required to file with the Commission or Supervisor of Elections.

WHEN TO FILE: Initially, each local officer/employee, state officer, and specified state employee must file within 30 days of the date of his or her appointment or of the beginning of employment. Appointees who must be confirmed by the Senate must file prior to confirmation, even if that is less than 30 days from the date of their appointment.

Candidates must file at the same time they file their qualifying papers.

Thereafter, file by July 1 following each calendar year in which they hold their positions.

Finally, file a final disclosure form (Form 1F) within 60 days of leaving office or employment. Filing a CE Form 1F (Final Statement of Financial Interests) does <u>not</u> relieve the filer of filing a CE Form 1 if the filer was in his or her position on December 31, 2020.

### BEFORE THE STATE OF FLORIDA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re Angelique Cook Employees St. Petersburg PID#: 284032

# NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT OF AUTOMATIC FINE

The Commission on Ethics hereby gives notice of an assessment of a fine against you pursuant to Section 112.3145(8)(g), Florida Statutes, due to your failure to timely file your 2020 CE Form 1, Statement Of Financial Interests. Under the law, your 2020 CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, was due by July 1, 2021. The law provided for a penalty-free grace period extending the due date to September 1, 2021. After that date, you accrued fines of \$25.00 per day for each day your financial disclosure was late, pursuant to Section 112.3145(8)(g), Florida Statutes.

Inasmuch as your 2020 CE Form 1 was filed September 23, 2021 with the Supervisor of Elections for Pinellas County, you are fined the amount of \$550.00 (\$25.00 per day for 22 day(s) late). This fine must be paid to the Commission on Ethics within 30 days of the date of this notice unless you appeal the fine to the Commission. The Commission has the authority to consider the appeal and waive the fine in whole or in part if your failure to file on time was due to "unusual circumstances" surrounding the failure to file.

### **HOW TO APPEAL**

- 1. Read these instructions carefully before submitting your appeal.
- 2. **LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Appeals are governed by Section 112.3145(8)(g)3., Florida Statutes, and Commission Rule 34-8.215, Florida Administrative Code.
- 3. **FORMAT:** Your appeal must be in writing and mailed to <u>Florida Commission on Ethics</u>, P. O. <u>Drawer 15709</u>, Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709, or delivered to <u>Florida Commission on Ethics</u>, 325 John Knox Road, <u>Building E, Suite 200</u>, <u>Tallahassee</u>, FL 32303. The appeal may take the form of a letter or you may use the appeal form included in this mailing. The appeal form also is available at the Commission's website: <u>www.ethics.state.fl.us</u>. Click on "Financial Disclosure" and then the link to the sample appeal form.
- 4. **DUE DATE:** Your appeal must be <u>received</u> by the Commission on Ethics on or before <u>November 17.</u> <u>2023.</u> <u>NOTE</u>: Failure to timely file an appeal will constitute a waiver of your right to appeal and will result in the entry of a default order against you.
- 5. UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES: An appeal must demonstrate that you submitted your CE Form 1 after the extended due date because of "unusual circumstances." "Unusual circumstances" is defined in Commission Rule 34-8.215(4), Florida Administrative Code, as "uncommon, rare, or sudden events over which the reporting individual had no control and which directly result in the failure to act in accordance with the filing requirements." Therefore, circumstances that allowed for time to take steps necessary to file on time do not constitute "unusual circumstances" that will allow the Commission to waive the fine. You have the burden to establish "unusual circumstances." Your appeal must specifically state the circumstances that led to your not filing by September 1, 2021, and must include any documentation or evidence supporting your appeal, such as:
  - a. SICKNESS/INJURY: a statement from attending physician, including dates and nature of the illness or injury;
  - b. LACK OF NOTICE (WRONG ADDRESS): documentation that you did not reside at the address to which notice was sent;
  - c. LACK OF NOTICE (ABSENCE FROM HOME): documentation establishing the period of time of your absence covering the notification period;

- d. CLAIM OF TIMELY FILING OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE: (1) an affidavit from you attesting under oath or affirmation that you filed your financial disclosure and your recollection of when and how you filed and (2) a copy of a certified mail receipt and/or a copy of the completed form which was filed. If you have witnesses to your filing, we also will need an affidavit from each witness. NOTE: A claim of having filed the CE Form 1F for the current year does not satisfy the CE Form 1 filing requirement or excuse a late filing;
- e. **LEFT PUBLIC POSITION BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2020:** confirmation of your last date of office or employment by your former agency, showing the last date to be before December 31, 2020;
- f. UNCLAIMED CERTIFIED MAIL: if deliquency notice was addressed correctly but not received, you must explain why.
- 6. YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING: You have the right to have your appeal heard by the Commission and to appear before the Commission at the hearing, but, to exercise this right, you must specifically request a hearing in your appeal. If you do not request a hearing, you will waive your right to a hearing, the Commission will determine the outcome of your appeal based upon the written record (including the documentation you provide and any documentation in your case file), and you will receive no further notice until after the Commission decides your appeal.

# FAILURE TO PAY FINE OR FILE APPEAL WITHIN 30 DAYS

If you do not timely file an appeal or pay the assessed fine within 30 days of this Notice, a default order will be entered against you and the Commission will take the steps provided by law to collect the fine, including:

- Referral to the CFO of the Department of Financial Services, if you are a salaried state officer or employee, for withholding of a portion of you salary until the fine is satisfied; or
- Referral to your agency's governing body for withholding of a portion of your salary until the fine is satisfied;
- Referral to a collection agency, which can seek garnishment of your wages; and/or
- An additional civil penalty, not limited by this automatic fine, may be imposed if your disclosure statement is filed more than 60 days late and a complaint is filed against you pursuant to Section 112.324, Florida Statutes.

Please contact our office if you have any questions about this matter.

### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Assessment of Automatic Fine was furnished to:

Angelique Cook 2643 67th Ter N St Petersburg, FL 33702 -5643

by Certified Mail on this Thursday, October 19, 2023.

KIMBERLY R. HOLMES
Program Administrator

Florida Commission on Ethics P. O. Drawer 15709 Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709 Florida Commission on Ethics 325 John Knox Road, Building E, Ste. 200 Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tel.: (850) 488-7864 Fax: (850) 488-3077 Email: disclosure@leg.state.fl.us

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### RETURN RECEIPT (ELECTRONIC)

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# Florida Commission on Ethics Financial Disclosure Notification System Delinquency Certification (2021)

the Supervisor of Elections of Linellas County, hereby certify that each person whose ID number, name, agency, and position appears above or on the attached list:
(1) was sent a notice of the July 1, 2021 financial disclosure deadline and a blank Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, not later than June 1, 2021;
(2) was determined to be delinquent in filing a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, by July 1, 2021;
(3) was sent a delinquency notice by certified mail not later than August 1, 2021 advising him or her of the grace period in effect until September 1 2021; and of the penalties that could be imposed as provided in Section 112.3145(8)(c), Florida Statutes; and
(4) did not file a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, until the date shown or, had not filed a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests by October 31, 2021; and further
(5) that the date of filing shown is based upon the earliest of the following (a) when the Form 1 was actually received by my office; (b) when the Form 1 was postmarked; (c) when the certificate of mailing (if any) was dated; or (d) when the receipt (if any) from an established courier company was dated.  Signed Just Phase for Jule Marcus



TO:

All Local Officers

FROM:

Julie Marcus

Supervisor of Elections, Pinellas County

DATE:

May 27, 2021

SUBJECT:

Financial Disclosure (Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests - 2020)

FAILURE TO FILE BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2021—AUTOMATIC FINES OF \$25 FOR EACH LATE DAY.

Enclosed is a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, to complete and return in order to satisfy your obligation to file financial disclosure for the past year. The mailing label on the form lists the public position that requires you to file. The Florida Commission on Ethics prepares the list of persons required to file financial disclosure. The Commission obtains the names and addresses from coordinators for each local government agency. Our office receives the forms and reminds persons of the deadlines.

#### WHY DID I RECEIVE THIS FORM?

Persons serving as of December 31, 2020 (along with those officials elected in 2020 whose terms began in 2021) are required to file this year. Even if you left the position noted on the mailing label during 2021, you are required to file disclosure for the year 2020 on this form. (Note that if you left your position during 2021, you also may be required to file a Form 1F covering a portion of the year 2021--see the instructions on Form 1, page 2.)

If you think you have received this form in error, please contact the financial disclosure coordinator for your agency, who has provided your name based on your official position and responsibilities. If appropriate, the local agency's coordinator will contact the Commission on Ethics to remove your name from the list. To find your agency's coordinator and how to contact that person, either contact our office or see the list that is posted on the Ethics Commission's website at www.ethics.state.fl.us, under the "Financial Disclosure" tab.

WHEN TO FILE:

On or before Thursday, July 1, 2021

WHERE TO FILE:

Please return the completed form, including signature and date (on page 2), to:

MAIL:

**Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections** 

OR **SCAN AND EMAIL TO:**  Form1@votepinellas.com

13001 Starkey Road, Largo, FL 33773

#### PLEASE DO NOT FILE THE FORM WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION ON ETHICS IN TALLAHASSEE

### HOW DO I COMPLETE THE FORM?

Instructions for completing this form are enclosed at pages 3-6 of Form 1. Any questions regarding the instructions should be directed to the office of the Florida Commission on Ethics at (850) 488-7864.

FAILURE TO FILE: Persons who fail to file the annual disclosure form by September 1 are subject to automatic fines of \$25 for each late day. In addition, by law, the Commission on Ethics must initiate investigations of delinquent filers in certain circumstances. This can result in your being removed from your public office or employment. See Section 112.3145(9)(c), Florida Statutes.

Thank you for your cooperation. **Enclosure** 

# IMPORTANT . . . IMPORTANT . . . IMPORTANT . . .

# Form 1 Filers FORMS ARE DUE JULY 1

Filing late may result in automatic fines of \$25 per day!
Failure to pay fines may result in salary withholding, wage garnishment, or removal from office or employment!

## **Read the Instructions**

The Commission does <u>not</u> review forms for accuracy, and a complaint can be filed against you for failing to properly make a required disclosure.

# **Manner of Calculating Reportable Interest**

You have 2 options – Comparative (Percentage) Threshold or Dollar Value Threshold.

The instructions describe each option in detail.

You <u>must</u> choose one and check the box that reflects your choice.

# **Elected Municipal Officers**

Elected municipal officers and commissioners of a community redevelopment agency (created under Part III, Chapter 163) are required to complete 4 hours of ethics training each calendar year. Compliance with the training requirement must be reported on the Form 1. Elected members of a special district are not municipal officers subject to the training requirement. Report your compliance for the form year by checking the box in Part G. For more ethics training information, visit the training page on the Commission's website.

## Your Disclosure is a Public Record

Do NOT put social security, bank account or credit card numbers on your Form 1.

If your home address or other information is exempt from
disclosure under Section 119.071, F.S., and you want us to keep it confidential,
you must submit a written request as required by Section 119.071. If you previously filed a confidentiality
request with our office, you do not need to file another request this year.



## Visit our website: www.ethics.state.fl.us

Under the "Financial Disclosure" tab you can find information about your specific filing requirement, coordinator contact information, where to file, and the ability to confirm that your form has been received (please allow five business days from the date you mailed the form). Helpful general information and summaries of the Commission's most significant opinions dealing with financial disclosure can also be found here.

## Contact us!

(850) 488-7864 or email: disclosure@leg.state.fl.us

### Fidler, Laurie

From:

Fidler, Laurie

Sent:

Monday, July 26, 2021 1:55 PM

To:

Cathy.Davis@stpete.org

Subject:

Form 1/Coordinator Reminder/July 26, 2021/St. Petersburg/16

**Attachments:** 

Form 1\_2020.pdf; Courtesy Reminder Letter July 2, 2021.pdf

#### Form 1 Coordinator -

On July 2, 2021, our office sent courtesy reminders via U.S. Mail to all 2020 Form 1 non-filers (see attachment). Please review your current list of 2020 Form 1 non-filers below and contact them to encourage their prompt compliance in sending a signed and dated 2020 Form 1 to our office (See mailing address at bottom of this email.)

By July 31, 2021, we are required by law to send certified letters (at a cost of \$5.86 each) to all who have not submitted their 2020 Form 1.

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SCAN AND EMAIL TO: Form1@VotePinellas.gov

OR

MAIL: Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections

13001 Starkey Road, Largo, FL 33773

Attn: Form 1

Thank you,

Laurie Fidler

Voter Outreach Manager Representing Julie Marcus, Supervisor of Elections 13001 Starkey Rd., Largo, FL 33773 (727) 464-5700

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### Fidler, Laurie

From: Cathy Davis <Cathy.Davis@stpete.org>

**Sent:** Friday, August 20, 2021 11:08 AM

To: 'angeliquewilder@gmail.com'; Jessica Eilerman; Amy Foster; Kourey L. Hendryx-Bell

Cc: Loni Schultz; Suzanne M. Strocsher; Fidler, Laurie; Patricia A. Beliveau

Subject: FW: Form 1 Coordinator Reminder / August 19, 2021 /St. Petersburg - Employees/ 6

Attachments: Form 1\_2020.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Completed

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Good afternoon ALL – Urgent forwarding below list of City Employees and Board Members who have not yet filed their Annual Financial Disclosure (Form 1). Please file as soon as possible.

Thank You.

From: Fidler, Laurie < lfidler@votepinellas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 2:01 PM
To: Cathy Davis < Cathy.Davis@stpete.org>
Cc: Fidler, Laurie < lfidler@votepinellas.gov>

Subject: Form 1 Coordinator Reminder / August 19, 2021 /St. Petersburg - Employees / 6

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Good afternoon Cathy,

Please be advised that we have not received a 2020 Form 1 for the following non-filers.

If you wish to provide us contact information for these non-filers, we can assist by contacting them directly.

Thank you for your continuous assistance.

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	250390	2020	Ellerman, Jessica	St. Petersburg-Employees	Form 1 with <u>Périol as County 50</u> 5	Form Receipt Hot Recorded
	284032	2020	Cook, Angelique	<ul> <li>St. Petersburg-Employees</li> </ul>	Form 1 with <u>Puncture Country SOE</u>	Form Receipt Hot Recorded

# Fidler, Laurie

From: Sent: To:	Fidler, Laurie Thursday, September 23, 2021 11:06 AM Angel M Cook				
Subject:	RE: IMPORTANT: 2020 Form 1 is Past Due				
Form 1 received. To check the staquestions.	atus of your financial disclosure form, <u>click here</u> . Please let me know if you have any				
Thank you,					
Laurie Fidler					
Voter Outreach Manager Representing Julie Marcus, Super 13001 Starkey Rd., Largo, FL 3377 (727) 464-5700					
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From: Angel M Cook <angelcook4118@gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, September 2, 2021 6:10 PM To: Fidler, Laurie <a href="mailto:lfidler@votepinellas.gov">lfidler@votepinellas.gov</a> Cc: angelique.cook@stpete.org; angeliquewilder@gmail.com Subject: Re: IMPORTANT: 2020 Form 1 is Past Due</angelcook4118@gmail.com>
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Hi!
I am no longer a City employee. I'll fill this out and get it back to you.
Thank you,
Angel
On Thu, Sep 2, 2021 at 9:14 AM Fidler, Laurie < <a href="mailto:lfidler@votepinellas.gov">lfidler@votepinellas.gov</a> > wrote:
Good morning Angelique,

lfidler@votepinellas.gov

From: Fidler, Laurie

Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 8:28 AM To: Fidler, Laurie < <a href="mailto:lfidler@votepinellas.gov">lfidler@votepinellas.gov</a>>

Subject: 2020 Form 1 is DUE

Importance: High

Good morning,

This is a reminder that our office has not yet received your 2020 Form 1 Statement of Financial Interest form.

The following is the link to the Commission on Ethics 2020 Form 1 form and instructions. I have also attached a PDF the 2020 Form 1.

http://www.ethics.state.fl.us/Documents/Forms/Form%201 2020i.pdf?cp=2021615

Questions you may have regarding completing your Form 1 form can be directed to the Florida Commission on Ethics. Their phone number is (850) 488-7864.

Sincerely,

Laurie Fidler

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#### Status

Filing: INACTIVE Fine: No Fine

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None

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The filer has fines for: 2021 (Appeal)

2021 Fines and Appeals

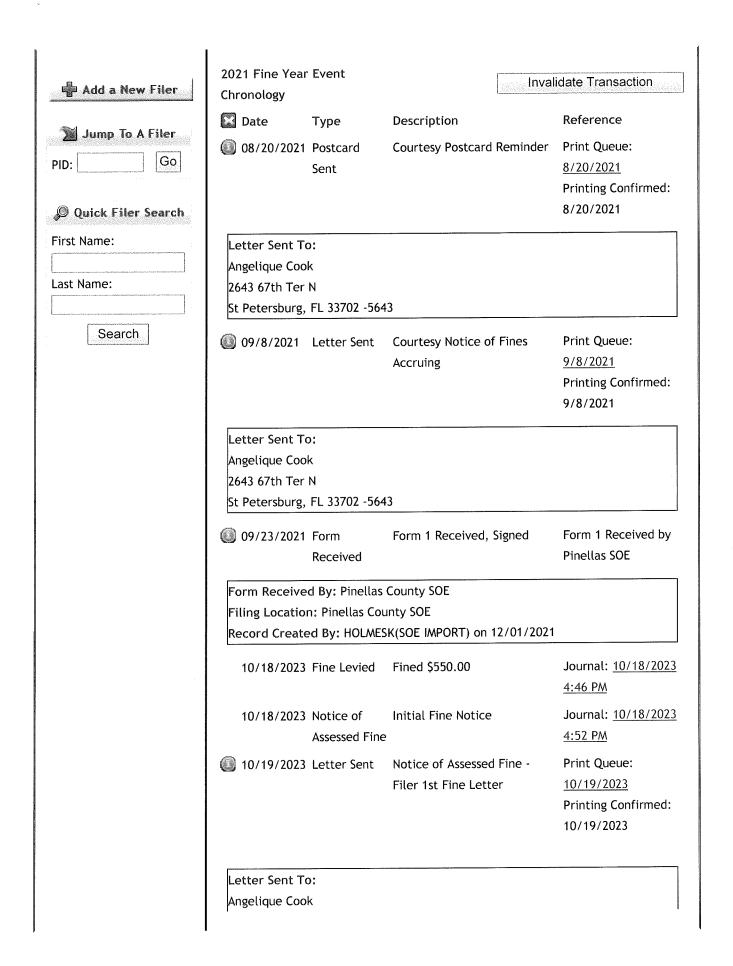
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2021 Fine Information			Update Fine Information  Assign Agency Contact					
Fine Balance	Fine Status	Fine Date	Original Assessment	Fine Amount	Last Payment Date	Payment Plan Start Date	Payment Plan Amount	
\$550.00	Appeal	10/18/2023	\$550.00	\$550.00				

Fine Address 2643 67th Ter N St Petersburg FL 33702-5643 Org/Suborg St. Petersburg-Employees

2021 Fine Payment History							
Date Posted	Description	Amount	Method	Payment ID	Comments		
10/18/2023	Fine Levied	+ \$550.00			Fined \$550.00		
Current Balance: \$550.00							

Current Balance: \$550.00



2643 67th Ter N St Petersburg, FL 33702 -5643 Journal: 11/8/2023 11/8/2023 Fine Appeal FD 21-020 1:55 PM Update Appeal Withdraw Appeal 2021 Fine Appeal -Request More Info Assign Attorney FD 21-020 Record Appeal Outcome Appeal Status: No Hearing Requested Active **Appeal Receipt** Date: 10/30/2023 Timely Filed: Yes Print Appeal Letter: Yes Hearing Requested: No Appeal Reason: Previously Filed Financial Disclosure Appeal Notes: Appeal Number: FD 21-020 Appeal Analyst Assigned: Final Order Number: Final Order Date: