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## 2020 REPORTING CALENDAR FOR CANDIDATES IN SPECIAL ELECTION FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE-DISTRICT 12

A candidate is not required to file any quarterly, monthly or preelection reports until the candidate has either received contributions or made expenditures in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500). Final reports are required regardless of whether a candidate has received contributions or made expenditures in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500).

July 15, 2020	June monthly report due from all candidates. Covers June 1-30.*
July 20, 2020	Statement of Financial Interest for calendar year 2019 due.
August 4, 2020	Preelection report for special primary election due from candidates opposed in special primary election. Covers period July 1 through August 1, 2020.*
<b>August 11, 2020</b>	<b>Special Primary Election</b>
August 17, 2020	July monthly report due from candidates who were unopposed in special primary election or who did not participate in special primary election (i.e., independent or write-in candidates). Covers period July 1-July 31.*
<b>September 8, 2020</b>	<b>† Special Primary Election Runoff (if required)</b>

\* If this is candidate's first report, it covers all campaign activity which has occurred through the closing date of the reporting period.

IF THE CANDIDATE IS INVOLVED IN A SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION RUNOFF,  
TWO ADDITIONAL REPORTS ARE DUE.

September 1, 2020	Preelection report due for special primary election runoff. Covers period August 12-August 29.
October 30, 2020	Final report due for special primary election runoff. Covers period August 30 through September 8 or, if candidate lost election, August 30 through the date the report is filed.
September 15, 2020	August monthly report due from candidates who did not participate in special primary election (i.e., independent candidates and write-candidates). Covers period August 1-31.*
September 30, 2020	Final report for special primary election due from candidates who participated in the special primary election (opposed or unopposed). If candidate was unopposed in the special primary

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election, report covers August 1-11. If candidate was opposed in the special primary election, report covers August 2-11. If candidate was an independent or write-in candidate not involved in special primary election, no final report for special primary election is due.

October 15, 2020 September monthly report due.\* If candidate was unopposed in the special primary election or opposed in the special primary election but not involved in a runoff, report covers August 12-September 30. If candidate was opposed in the special primary election and was involved in a runoff, report covers August 30-September 30. For independent candidates and write-in candidates, report covers September 1-30. If candidate was involved in a special primary election runoff, no September monthly report is due.

October 27, 2020 If opposed in general election, preelection report is due. If candidate was not involved in special primary election runoff, report covers period October 1-24. If candidate was involved in special primary election runoff, report covers September 9 through October 24, 2020.\*

**November 3, 2020 Special General Election**

November 16, 2020 If unopposed in general election, October monthly report due. Covers period October 1-31.\*

**December 1, 2020 †† Special General Election Runoff pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-704 (i.e., general election runoff)**

†† IF CANDIDATE IS INVOLVED IN A SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF, TWO ADDITIONAL REPORTS ARE DUE.

November 24, 2020 Preelection report for special general election runoff due. Covers period November 4-21.

February 1, 2021 Final report for special general election runoff due. Covers period November 22 through the date the report is filed.

December 30, 2020 Final report due for special general election. If candidate was unopposed in special general election, final report covers November 1 through the date the report is filed.\*\* If candidate was opposed in special general election and was not involved in a special general election runoff, final report for general election covers October 25 through the date the report is filed.\*\* If candidate was involved in a special general election runoff, final report for special general election covers October 25- November 3.\*\*

\* If this is candidate’s first report, it covers all campaign activity which has occurred through the closing date of the reporting period.

\*\* If this is candidate’s first report since final report for primary election, it covers all campaign activity which has occurred May 23 through the closing date of the reporting period.

**Please note:**

- 1. Reports must be filed with the Secretary of State.**
- 2. Pursuant to Act 318 of 2017, campaign contributions and expenditure reports filed with the Secretary of State under Ark. Code Ann. § 7-6-207 are required to be filed in electronic form through the official website of the Secretary of State.**
- 3. In calculating the amount of contributions received or expenditures made for purposes of determining whether a candidate has received contributions or made expenditures in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500), the payment of the**

**filing fee from the candidate’s personal funds shall not be considered as either a contribution or an expenditure. Once the five hundred dollar (\$500) threshold has been met, a candidate who has used his or her personal funds to pay the filing fee is required to report same. Such a candidate would report the funds used to pay the filing fee as either a loan or a contribution to the campaign from the candidate and also as a campaign expenditure.**

- 4. All candidates are required to file a final report for an election regardless of whether or not they were opposed in the election. Independent and write-in candidates are not involved in the primary election and, therefore, those candidates are not required to file a final report for the primary election.**