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2024 REPORTING CALENDAR FOR CANDIDATES FOR STATE OR DISTRICT OFFICE

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).

April 2, 2024	† Primary Election Runoff
March 20, 2024	If unopposed in primary or did not participate in primary, February monthly report due. Covers period February 1-29.*
March 5, 2024	Primary Election
February 27, 2024	If opposed in primary, preelection report due for primary election. Covers period Feb. 1-24.*
February 20, 2024	January monthly report due. Covers period January 1-31.*
January 31, 2024	Statement of Financial Interest for calendar year 2023 due from all incumbent officeholders and non-incumbent candidates.
January 22, 2024	December monthly report due. Covers period December 1-31.*
December 20, 2023	November monthly report due. Covers period November 1-30.*
November 20, 2023	October monthly report due. Covers period October 1-31.*
November 20, 2023	Statement of Financial Interest for calendar year 2022 due from non-incumbent candidates. (NOTE: Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 21-8-701, a non-incumbent candidate is required to file a Statement of Financial Interest for 2022 no later than the first Monday following the close of the period to file as a candidate. This date varies depending upon the particular method used by the candidate to get his or her name placed on the ballot.)
October 16, 2023	Quarterly report for 3 rd quarter of 2023 due. Covers period July 1, 2023– September 30, 2023.*
July 17, 2023	Quarterly report for 2 nd quarter of 2023 due. Covers period April 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023.*

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

IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN A PRIMARY ELECTION RUNOFF, TWO ADDITIONAL REPORTS ARE DUE.		
March 26, 2024	Preelection report due for primary election runoff. Covers period March 6-23.	
May 31, 2024	Final report due for primary election runoff. Covers period March 24-April 2 or, if candidate lost election, March 24 through the date the report is filed.	
April 22, 2024	If candidate did not participate in primary, March monthly report due. Covers period March 1-31.*	
April 30, 2024	Final report due for primary election. If candidate was unopposed in primary election, report covers March 1-5.* If candidate was opposed in primary election, report covers February 25-March 5 or, if candidate lost election, February 25 through the date the report is filed.*	
May 20, 2024	April monthly report due. If candidate did not participate in primary, April monthly report covers period April 1-30.* If candidate participated in primary, but was not involved in a primary election runoff, April monthly covers period March 6-April 30. ** If candidate was involved in a primary election runoff, April monthly report covers April 3-30. **	
June 20, 2024	May monthly report due. Covers period May 1-31.*	
July 22, 2024	June monthly report due. Covers period June 1-30.*	
August 20, 2024	July monthly report due. Covers period July 1-31.*	
September 20, 2024	August monthly report due. Covers period August 1-31.*	
October 21, 2024	September monthly report due. Covers period September 1-30.*	
October 29, 2024	If opposed in general election, preelection report is due. Covers period October 1-26.*	
November 5, 2024	General Election	
November 20, 2024	If unopposed in general election, October monthly report due. Covers period October 1-31.*	
December 3, 2024	†† Special Runoff Election pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-704 (i.e., general election runoff)	
IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN A SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION, TWO ADDITIONAL REPORTS ARE DUE.		
November 26, 2024	Preelection report due for special runoff election. Covers period November 6-23.	
January 31, 2025	Final report due for special runoff election. Covers period November 24 through the date the report is filed.	
December 31, 2024	Final report due for general election. If candidate was unopposed in the general election, final report for general election covers November 1 through the date the report is filed.** If candidate was opposed in the general election and was not involved in a special runoff election, final report for general election covers October 27 through the date the report is filed.** If candidate was involved in a special runoff election, final report for general election covers October 27- November 5.**	

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Please note:

- 1. Reports must be filed with the Secretary of State.
- 2. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 7-6-203(i), the campaign contribution limit in effect for the 2024 election cycle will be three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3,300) per election. This amount became effective February 2, 2023.
- 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.
- 5. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 7-6-232, if a candidate for state or district office has failed to file a required report, the Commission shall notify the candidate in writing that the report is delinquent and request that the report be filed within thirty (30) days of the report's original due date. The third and subsequent time during an election cycle that a candidate is sent written notice of a delinquent report and fails to file the report within thirty (30) days of the report's original due date, the Commission shall bring a complaint against the candidate and, if a violation is found, impose a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) unless good cause be shown for the violation. In addition to imposing a fine, the Commission shall also be authorized to take one (1) or more of the following actions: (A) Issue a public letter of caution, warning, or reprimand; (B) Order the candidate to file one or more reports; or (C) Report the matter and make recommendations to proper law enforcement authorities.

^{*} 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 March 6 through the closing date of the reporting period.