



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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**2012**  
**Campaign Finance Dates to Remember**

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Statements and Reports Owed by Committees

- **Candidate Committees** are required to file:
  - Annual Campaign Statements
  - Pre Election and Post Election Campaign Statements for elections where the candidate appears on the ballot or spends or receives money to influence voters in a write-in campaign
  - Late Contribution Reports (See [Appendix G](#))
- **PACs** registered with the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections (State) are required to file:
  - Quarterly Campaign Statements in February, April, July and October
  - Late Contribution Reports (See [Appendix G](#))
  - Special Election Independent Expenditure Report (See [Appendix G](#))
- **Caucus PACs** registered with the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections (State) are required to file:
  - Quarterly Campaign Statements in January, April, July and October
  - Late Contribution Reports (See [Appendix G](#))
  - Special Election Independent Expenditure Report (See [Appendix G](#))
  - 24 Hour Report (Caucus Committees Only) (See [Appendix G](#))
- **PACs** registered with a county clerk's office are required to file:
  - Annual Campaign Statements
  - Pre Election and/or Post Election Campaign Statements for elections where the committee spends or receives money to influence voters
  - Late Contribution Reports (See [Appendix G](#))
- **Political Party Committees** registered with a the State are required to file:
  - Annual Campaign Statements
  - Pre Election and/or Post Election Campaign Statements for elections where the committee spends or receives money to influence voters
  - Late Contribution Reports (See [Appendix G](#))
- **Ballot Question Committees** registered with a county clerk's office or the State are required to file:
  - Annual Campaign Statements
  - Quarterly Campaign Statements in February, April, July and October

- Pre Election and Post Election Campaign Statements for elections where the committee spends or receives money to influence voters
- Late Contribution Reports (See [Appendix G](#))

A Political Party Convention or Caucus is an election therefore pre and post election campaign statements must be filed for committees that participate in a convention. The dates for conventions are included to the extent that they are known by the State. This document will be updated as the additional dates are known.

Due Date Charts in this Document

- Pre and Post Election Filing Dates, Annual Filing Dates and Late Contribution Filing Dates
- Pre and Post Convention Filing Dates and Late Contribution Filing Dates
- Quarterly Campaign Statements Filing Dates

Waived Campaign Statements

Committees that maintain a Reporting Waiver are not required to file Annual Campaign Statements, Pre and Post Election Campaign Statements or Triannual Campaign Statements. Late Contribution Reports are not waived by the Reporting Waiver.

An Annual Campaign Statement is not required of a committee that has been granted a Reporting Waiver, a committee that files a Post Election Campaign Statement due in December, an incumbent judge or an officer whose salary is less than \$100.00 a month and whose committee has had no activity.

Campaign Statements and Late Contribution Reports due dates are calculated based on the requirements set out by the MCFA and are detailed in the chart below. All campaign statements are due no later than 5:00pm on the due date. Committees are encouraged to contact your filing official if your committee participates in a primary, a political party convention/caucus or an election not listed here for the applicable filing deadlines.

Statement	Pre and Post Election Campaign Statements Close of Books	Statement is Due
Pre-Election	16 days before election date	11 days before election date
Post-Election	20 days following election date	30 days following election date
Late Contribution Reports	Period begins the day following the close of books and ends the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election	48 hours after receipt

Pre and Post Election Filing Dates, Annual Filing Dates and Late Contribution Filing Dates**2012 Annual Campaign Statement**

Close of Books	Due
<b>December 31, 2011</b>	<b>January 31, 2012</b>

**February 28, 2012 Election Campaign Statements**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>February 12</b>	<b>February 17</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>March 19</b>	<b>March 29</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: February 13 – February 25</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**May 8, 2012 Election Campaign Statements**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>April 22</b>	<b>April 27</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>May 28</b>	<b>June 7</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: April 23 – May 5</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**August 7, 2012 Primary Election Campaign Statements**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>July 22</b>	<b>July 27</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>August 27</b>	<b>September 6</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>July 23 – August 4</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**November 6, 2012 General Election Campaign Statements**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>October 21</b>	<b>October 26</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>November 26</b>	<b>December 6</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: October 22- November 3</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**2013 Annual Campaign Statement**

Close of Books	Due
<b>December 31, 2012</b>	<b>January 31, 2013</b>

Pre and Post Convention Filing Dates and Late Contribution Filing Dates**September 8, 2012 Republican Party Conv. Campaign Statements**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>August 23</b>	<b>August 28</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>September 28</b>	<b>October 8</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: August 24- September 5</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**September 9, 2012 Democratic Party Conv. Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>August 24</b>	<b>August 29</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>September 29</b>	<b>October 9</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: August 25- September 6</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**June 2, 2012 Libertarian Party Convention Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>May 17</b>	<b>May 22</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>June 22</b>	<b>July 2</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: May 18- May 30</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**June 16, 2012 US Taxpayer Party Convention Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>May 31</b>	<b>June 5</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>July 6</b>	<b>July 16</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: June 1- June 13</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

**June 3, 2012 Green Party Convention Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>Pre-Election</b>	<b>May 18</b>	<b>May 23</b>
<b>Post-Election</b>	<b>June 23</b>	<b>July 3</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	<b>Period from: May 19- May 31</b>	<b>48 hours after receipt</b>

The **Natural Law Party** and the **Americans Election Party** have indicated that they do not have a convention planned for 2012.

Triannual/Quarterly Campaign Statements Filing Dates and Late Contribution Filing Dates:

**2012 January Quarterly/Triannual Campaign Statement  
Caucus Committees Only!**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>January Statement</b>	<b>December 31, 2011</b>	<b>January 31, 2012</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	Period begins the day following the close of books and ends the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election	48 hours after receipt

**2012 April Quarterly/Triannual Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>April Statement</b>	<b>April 20</b>	<b>April 25</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	Period begins the day following the close of books and ends the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election	48 hours after receipt

**2012 July Quarterly/Triannual Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>July Statement</b>	<b>July 20</b>	<b>July 25</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	Period begins the day following the close of books and ends the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election	48 hours after receipt

**2012 October Quarterly/Triannual Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>October Statement</b>	<b>October 20</b>	<b>October 25</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	Period begins the day following the close of books and ends the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election	48 hours after receipt

**2013 February Quarterly/Triannual Campaign Statement**

Statement	Close of Books	Due
<b>February Statement</b>	<b>February 10, 2013</b>	<b>February 15, 2013</b>
<b>Late Contribution Reports</b>	Period begins the day following the close of books and ends the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election	48 hours after receipt

**Questions?** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. The address below should also be used to mail your filing by first class mail, registered mail or certified mail.

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