Definitions Of “Immediate Family”

1. MCL 169.269(6), 169.203(1) For purposes of determining the $50,000.00 “immediate family” contribution limitation for the election cycle when the gubernatorial candidate is receiving public funds, “immediate family” includes:
   a. the gubernatorial candidate;
   b. the lieutenant governor candidate;
   c. the spouse, mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter of the gubernatorial candidate; and
   d. the spouse, mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter of the lieutenant governor candidate

2. MCL 169.208(2), 169.252(5) When the gubernatorial candidate does not apply for public funds, there is no contribution limit for his or her “immediate family” when contributing to the Gubernatorial Candidate Committee. “Immediate family” in this scenario includes:
   a. the gubernatorial candidate
   b. the spouse of the gubernatorial candidate
   c. any child residing in the home of the gubernatorial candidate; and
   d. any individual claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by the gubernatorial candidate or his/her spouse.

3. MCL 169.208(2), 169.252(5) When the gubernatorial running mate of a lieutenant governor candidate does not apply for public funds, there is no contribution limit for the “immediate family” of the lieutenant governor candidate when contributing to the lieutenant governor candidate’s committee. “Immediate family” in this scenario includes:
   a. the lieutenant governor candidate
   b. the spouse of the lieutenant governor candidate
   c. any child residing in the home of the lieutenant governor candidate; and
   d. any individual claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by the lieutenant governor candidate or his/her spouse.
4. MCL 169.269(8), 169.208(2) The expenditure limitation is waived for gubernatorial candidates accepting public funds if the “immediate family” of a gubernatorial candidate who has not applied for public funds contributes more than $340,000.00 to his or her Candidate Committee. “Immediate family” in this scenario includes:

a. the gubernatorial candidate who has not applied for public funds
b. the spouse of that gubernatorial candidate
c. any child residing in the home of that gubernatorial candidate; and
d. any individual claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by that gubernatorial candidate or his/her spouse