



Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC)

Notice to Candidate

Personal Financial Disclosure (PFD) (aka: Financial Interest Statement)

Part One: Candidate Information

Candidate's Name: _____ Political Subdivision: _____

Office Sought: _____ Date of Election: _____

Part Two: Filing Status (Election Official: Select Option A or B. If select Option B, complete Sections 1 & 2)

Option A. Candidate does not have to file a PFD/Financial Interest Statement because:

- The political subdivision's annual operating budget (AOB) is \$1 million or under.
- The political subdivision's AOB is over \$1 million and the subdivision has a conflict of interest ordinance on file with MEC that does not require a candidate running for this position (office sought) to file. (NOTE: if candidate has had a business transaction with the subdivision, refer to Option B, Section 1, Item 1)
- The office sought is committeeman or committeewoman.

Option B. Candidate must file a PFD/Financial Interest Statement with MEC because:

Section 1:

- The political subdivision has an AOB over \$1 million and the subdivision has a conflict of interest ordinance on file with the MEC that specifically 1) requires a candidate running for this position (office sought) to file, **OR** 2) requires a candidate (including spouse, children, parents, or a business in which they owned a substantial interest) that has had a business transaction with the political subdivision in excess of \$500 in the preceding twelve months to file pursuant to §105.485.4(1) RSMo.
- The political subdivision has an AOB over \$1 million and the subdivision does **NOT** have a conflict of interest ordinance on file with the MEC and the candidate is required to file pursuant to §105.483-§105.492 RSMo.
- Candidate is a new Associate Circuit Judge Candidate (all other judicial candidates file with the Supreme Court).

Section 2: Candidates required to file **must be informed** of the following deadlines/penalties:

- If PFD/Financial Interest Statement is not filed by _____ (14 days after filing closing date);
PENALTY: Candidate will be assessed a minimum of **\$10 per day late fee** for each day the report is late.
- If PFD/Financial Interest Statement is not filed by _____ (21 days after filing closing date);
PENALTY: Candidate will be **disqualified as a candidate** and his/her name will be removed from the ballot.

NOTE: If the political subdivision has a conflict of interest ordinance on file with the MEC:

- And the above filing deadlines are not met; penalties (if any) are assessed by the political subdivision according to its ordinance.*
- Candidate must also file a copy of his or her PFD with the governing body/subdivision.*

Part Three: Acknowledgement (completed by candidate & witnessed by election official):

I, _____ hereby acknowledge that I have received:
(Print name)

(initial) **Notice to Candidate**, (written notice of candidate's obligation to file a PFD/Financial Interest Statement, including the consequences for failure to file on time); and

(initial) **Guide to Ethics Law – A Plain English Summary**, (regarding laws governing candidates for election to office in Missouri) and I hereby acknowledge the authority of the Missouri Ethics Commission, or the political subdivision for which I am filing, in enforcing said laws.

Signature of Candidate

Candidate's Email Address (Optional)

Signature of Election Official (Witness)

Date