

MEC News

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Personal Financial Disclosure: Have you filed?

Many public employees and officials must annually file a Personal Financial Disclosure (PFD) statement with the MEC to prevent any potential conflicts of interest.

If you are an annual filer under Missouri law or designated as an annual PFD filer by your political subdivision (ex: city, county, district, etc.), you must file your PFD with the MEC no later than Monday, May 1, 2024.

Electronically File Your PFD:

- Click [here](#) to log-in to the PFD e-filing system.
- The MEC sent your ID and password in January.
- Can't find your login info? Click [here](#) to send your ID and password to your registered email address.



Annual Filer Deadline:

May 1, 2024



Time Period Covered:

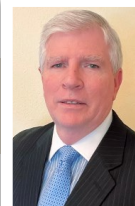
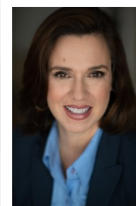
Disclose financial interests from 1/1/2023—12/31/2023. If you only served a portion of the year, 1/1/2023—the last day you held the position.

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Thank you, Commissioners Cook, Frischer, and Villapiano!

In March 2024, Commissioners Robert Cook, Helene Frischer, and William Villapiano concluded their terms as MEC Commissioners. We are grateful for their service on the Commission and wish them all the best in their future endeavors. Thank you, Commissioners!



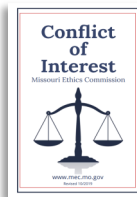
Our mission: The MEC serves the public interest by promoting and maintaining transparency, accountability, and compliance with campaign finance, lobbying, and conflict of interest laws. We educate and assist the citizens of Missouri, public officials, lobbyists, and those participating in public elections by increasing awareness and understanding of the law. We investigate and enforce these laws consistently.

Conflict of Interest Basics For Newly Elected Officials

Conflict of interest laws, codified in chapter 105, RSMo, are intended to prevent public officials and employees from using their position to financially benefit themselves, their families, and any businesses with which they may be associated.

Conflict of interest law in Missouri covers a number of topics, including nepotism, employment, and conducting business with your political subdivision.

The MEC encourages all elected officials, particularly those who are new to elected office, to review the MEC's Conflict of Interest Guide and Advisory Opinions to learn more about Missouri's conflict of interest laws.



[Review the MEC's Conflict of Interest Guide.](#)



[Review Advisory Opinions issued by the Commission.](#)

Reminder: Proper Use of Public Funds

Per [115.646, RSMo](#), public employees and officials may not use public funds or resources to support or oppose any candidates or ballot measures.

Public officials of a political subdivision are not prohibited from making public appearances or issuing press releases concerning a ballot measure.

State law does not prevent political subdivisions from using public funds to produce materials that are purely informational regarding ballot issues. Political subdivisions should take care to ensure that any informational printed materials related to a ballot issue include a proper paid for by disclaimer (see our [Paid for By Disclosure Requirements Information Sheet](#) for further details).

Many cities, counties, and school districts have specific policies regarding use of public funds. Consult your political subdivision and/or legal counsel to ensure all state and local laws are followed.

Search MEC Data

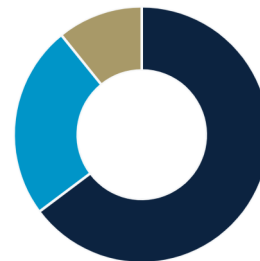
Thousands of individuals, committees and lobbyists file reports with the Missouri Ethics Commission. Much of this data is publicly available on the MEC's website.

- [Search campaign finance information.](#)
- [Search lobbying information.](#)
- [Review the MEC's Annual Report statistics.](#)

State law requires the MEC to keep a list of those viewing a personal financial disclosure (PFD). Therefore, these statements are only available upon written request.

Total Campaign Finance Activity

Receipts include both contributions received and miscellaneous receipts (e.g. Interest, returned checks, refunds) reported in this calendar year's campaign finance reports. Therefore, receipts reported on the January quarterly will include receipts from the previous year's final quarter.



Legend: Total Receipts, Total Expenditures, Total Contributions Made to Other Committees

Data retrieved on 04/03/2024

The MEC's 2024 Annual Report is currently collecting data. View live, on-demand MEC statistics [here](#).

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We're Hiring! Reporting Specialist Position Available

The MEC is seeking a customer service-oriented individual to join its Jefferson City team as a Reporting Specialist. Duties include assisting candidates and public officials in state and local office and committee treasurers required to file campaign finance reports with the MEC. The specialist will also assist lobbyists with registration and monthly reports. On-site job training and support will be provided. The ideal candidate has an associates degree or two years of experience and possession of a high school diploma/GED. Learn more about this position [here](#).

Calendar Check

APRIL 2024						
	4/2	General Municipal Election Day—Go vote!				
	4/9	14-day PFD deadline for 8/6 candidate filers				
	4/10	Lobbyist monthly expenditure report due				
	4/15	Mandatory April Quarterly Report due				
	4/16	21-day PFD deadline for 8/6 candidate filers				
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MEC Tip:

Add deadlines to a calendar you check regularly to avoid penalties.

MAY 2024						
	5/1	PFD deadline for annual filers				
	5/2	30 Day After Election Report due for 4/2 candidates				
	5/8	Truman Day—State Offices Closed				
	5/10	Lobbyist monthly expenditure report due				
	5/27	Memorial Day—State Offices Closed				
	5/30	List of Principals and Legislative Action Report due				
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JUNE 2024						
	6/10	Lobbyist monthly expenditure report due				
	6/19	Juneteenth—State Offices Closed				
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Coming Soon:

Mandatory July Quarterly Report due July 15, 2024

