

**1S-2.021 Revocation of Registration of Political Committees and Electioneering Communications Organizations.**

(1) The filing officer shall revoke the registration of a political committee (hereinafter committee) or an electioneering communications organization (hereinafter organization) when:

(a) The committee or organization fails to maintain a registered office and a registered agent as required by Section 106.022, F.S.;

(b) The committee or organization fails to file the appointment of a successor within 10 days after the death, resignation or removal of its treasurer;

(c) The committee fails to file the appointment of a successor within 10 days after the death, resignation or removal of its chairperson;

(d) The committee or organization fails to file treasurers' reports for more than 6 months;

(e) The committee's aggregate reported financial activity during the calendar year is less than \$500 unless the committee is only registered and required to report as the sponsor of a proposed constitutional amendment by initiative who intended to seek the signatures of registered voters;

(f) The organization's aggregate reported financial activity during the calendar year is \$5000 or less; or

(g) The organization fails to file the appointment of a successor within 10 days after the death, resignation or removal of its top-ranking principal officer.

(2) The filing officer shall send notification to the committee's chairperson or organization's top-ranking principal officer of the intent to revoke the registration to the most recent address on file with the filing officer for the chairperson or top-ranking principal officer, as applicable. If the notification is returned undeliverable, the filing officer shall send the notification to the committee's or organization's registered agent at the most recent address on file with the filing officer. Within 30 days of the date of the filing officer's mailing of the preliminary notice of intent to revoke, the committee or organization may provide additional documentation to the filing officer showing that the committee's or organization's registration should not be revoked. Upon review of such documentation, if the filing officer determines that the registration should not be revoked, the committee or organization will be notified that it is in compliance. If after review of the additional documentation provided, the filing officer determines that the registration should be revoked, a final notice of intent to revoke shall be mailed by the filing officer to the most recent address on file with the filing officer. If no additional documentation is provided by the committee or organization within 30 days of the date of the filing officer's mailing of the preliminary notice, the filing officer shall mail a final notice of intent to revoke to the most recent address on file with the filing officer.

(3) If the committee or organization objects to such revocation, it must file an appeal within 30 days of the date of the filing officer's mailing of the final notice of intent to revoke. The appeal may be accompanied by any documentation or evidence supporting the claim. The appeal must be filed with the filing officer. The filing officer will forward the appeal to the Florida Elections Commission.

(4) Failure to timely file an appeal as described herein shall constitute a waiver of any such entitlement.

(5) A committee or organization desiring a hearing before the commission must include in the appeal a separate request for hearing.

(6) Appeals under this rule are exempt from the confidentiality provisions of Section 106.25, F.S.

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