



CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMPLAINT FORM
State of Rhode Island Board of Elections

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Official use only

PURPOSE: This form is used to submit a verified complaint, based on actual knowledge and not merely on information and belief, alleging that a candidate, officeholder, political action committee or political party committee violated the Rhode Island Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act. (RI General Laws §17-25).

All campaign finance complaints are confidential. Public disclosure occurs only if, after investigation, the Board determines a violation exists or if the confidentiality is waived by the alleged violator.

Complete this form and submit it to the State of Rhode Island Board of Elections, 2000 Plainfield Pike, Suite A, Cranston, RI 02921 or campaign.finance@elections.ri.gov

Section 1. Identity of Complainant		
Full Name of Person Filing the Complaint		
Daytime Telephone Number	E-Mail Address	
Full Mailing or Street Address		
City	State	Zip

Section 2. Identity of Alleged Violator/Respondent (only one name may be identified per form)		
Full Name of Alleged Violator/Respondent		
Full Mailing or Street Address		
City	State	Zip

Section 5. Affidavit – Verified Complaint Based on Actual Knowledge

Execute this attestation only if the acts alleged are within your actual knowledge and not based merely on information and belief.

I, _____, Complainant,
Print Name

hereby certify, under pain and penalty of perjury, that I have actual knowledge of the facts alleged in this complaint and that the information contained in this complaint are true and correct.

Signature of Complainant

Section 6. Filing a Complaint- Additional Information

1. Any complaint filed that has not been affirmed correct shall be deemed by the Board to be unverified and based merely on perceived information and belief and not actual knowledge.

2. The Board may conduct confidential investigations relative to alleged violations of RI General Laws §17-25 either on its own initiative or upon receipt of a verified written complaint.

3. Any action taken by the Board as the result of a written verified complaint shall, whenever possible, be completed no later than five (5) business days after its receipt.

4. If no violations of RI General Laws §17-25 are found to exist, all records and papers shall be kept confidential unless further legal proceedings are instituted.

5. The confidentiality of an investigation, hearing and/or findings may be waived in writing only by the person or persons complained of.

6. If a hearing on the record is requested, the complainant must so state.

7. A complaint shall be filed no later than 90 days from the occurrence of the actions or events that form the basis for the complaint, or, if later, within 90 days after the complainant knew, or with the exercise of reasonable diligence, should have known of those actions or events.

8. A complaint shall be deemed to have been filed on the day that the original signed document is received by the Board.