2012 CAMPAIGN FINANCE CALENDAR

Jan. 21	Secretary of State and boards of election must send notice to candidates to file annual campaign finance reports	R.C. 3517.11
Jan. 31	Annual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (last business day of Jan.) detailing contributions and expenditures through December 31, 2011.	R.C. 3517.10
Feb. 13	Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates to file pre-election campaign finance reports	R.C. 3517.11
Feb. 23	Pre-primary election campaign finance reports must be filed by candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (12 days before primary election) detailing contributions and expenditures through Feb. 15, 2012 (20 days before primary election.)	R.C. 3517.10
April 3	Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates to file post-primary election campaign finance reports	R.C. 3517.11
April 13	Post-primary election campaign finance reports must be filed by candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties by 4 p.m. (38 days after primary election) detailing contributions and expenditures through April 6, 2012 (the 7th day before the report is filed.)	R.C. 3517.10
July 21	Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates required to file semi-annual campaign finance reports.	R.C. 3517.11
July 31	Semi-annual campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds), and political parties by 4 p.m. (last business day of July) detailing contributions and expenditures through June 30, 2012	R.C. 3517.10
Oct. 15	Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates to file pre-general election campaign finance reports	R.C. 3517.11
Oct. 25	Pre-general election campaign finance reports must be filed by candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds), and political parties by 4 p.m. (12 days before general election) detailing contributions and expenditures from the last day reflected in the previous report through Oct. 17, 2012 (20 days before general election).	R.C. 3517.10
Dec. 4	Secretary of State and boards of elections must send notice to candidates to file post-general election campaign finance reports	R.C. 3517.11
Dec. 14	Post-general election campaign finance reports must be filed by candidates, political action committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds), and political parties by 4 p.m. (38 days after general election) detailing contributions and expenditures through Dec. 7, 2012 (the 7th day before the report is filed).	R.C. 3517.10

***Note:** In some instances, the statutory deadline falls on a day when the offices of Secretary of State and boards of elections are closed. In those instances, the deadlines are extended, pursuant to R.C. 1.14, to the next succeeding day when the appropriate office is open for regular business hours. The preceding dates reflect the extended deadlines. SOS 0504 (12/21/11)