



**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

**Board of Elections**

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**SCHEDULE OF INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES (CF-8)**

Time Stamp  
(Office Use Only)

**Identification of Person Making Expenditure**

Street Address	City/Town, State and Zip Code	Telephone Number
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**Name(s) and Address(es) of Person(s) Exercising or Sharing Direction or Control Over Person Making Expenditure**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.

*Whenever any person makes an independent expenditure that in the aggregate exceeds \$100 in a calendar year, said person shall file a report within 7 days of making the expenditure. Thereafter, said person shall file additional reports no later than seven (7) days after the independent expenditure is made.*

The aforementioned Person has independently expended more than \$100 to support or defeat a Candidate as follows:

Identify the candidate on the ballot and whether funds were expended to support or oppose this candidate:

\_\_\_\_\_ :  Support  Defeat

Date of Expenditure	Amount of Expenditure	Name and Address of Person Receiving Expenditure (required when aggregate amount exceeds \$100)

*For each independent expenditure made, a report must be filed identifying the sources of monies used for said expenditure. Any legal entity receiving monies for independent expenditures must report the receipt of said monies within seven (7) days.*

Date Monies Received	Amount Received	Name/Address of Person Contributing Monies for Independent Expenditure (required when aggregate amount exceeds \$100)

Amount expended from the Person's own funds (i.e., treasury) for independent expenditures: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

< Please Sign on Reverse Side >

The person named below attests, under the penalty of perjury, that the information provided is complete, true and accurate and complies with RI General Laws and with Rules and Regulations adopted pursuant to RIGL §17-25 et seq.

Identification of Person Making Expenditure

Signature of Person Making Expenditure

Address, City/Town, State, Zip Code of Person Making Expenditure

Subscribed and Sworn to me this \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

### **Reporting Requirements for Independent Expenditures**

It is lawful for any person, including any corporation or any other organization not otherwise prohibited by law and not making an expenditure to or with any candidate, political committee, political party, or political action committee, to independently expend from a person's own funds, including from the treasury of a corporation or organization, a sum which is not to be repaid to said person for the purpose of expressly advocating for the support or defeat of a candidate.

Whenever any person makes an independent expenditure that in the aggregate exceeds one hundred dollars (\$100.00) in a calendar year, said person shall file a report (CF-8) with the Board of Elections, which shall state, under the penalty of perjury, the following information:

- (1) The identification of the person making the independent expenditure, including the person's address and principal place of business, if not an individual, and the amount expended;
- (2) The identification of any person sharing or exercising direction or control over the activities of the person making said expenditure, including that person's address and the principal place of business, if not of an individual; and
- (3) The name and address of every person or entity receiving an expenditure which in the aggregate exceeds one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and the amount of each expenditure.

The first report must be filed within seven (7) days from the date that said expenditure exceeds the aggregate of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Thereafter, said person shall file additional CF-8 reports with the Board of Elections no later than seven (7) days after the independent expenditure is made. The date for such expenditure is the date that a written contract, oral agreement or other promise is made to make an expenditure, rather than the date that the funds are actually expended.

For each expenditure made, a report must be filed with the Board of Elections identifying the source of monies used for said expenditure. For example, where an association or corporation uses monies provided by its members for the purpose of expressly advocating the support or defeat of a candidate, each person from whom said monies was received shall be identified in the filings with the Board of Elections, which shall include the person's name, address, and amount contributed for the purpose of making an electioneering communication or other such expenditure by said corporation or association. Each such person shall be identified on Form CF-8.

Further, when a member of a legal entity transfers money or other thing of value to said legal entity, and knows that the monies or other thing of value is to be used by the legal entity for the purpose of making an expenditure in support of or in opposition to a candidate for office, said donor must file a Form CF-8 with the Board, within seven (7) days of the transfer.

Additionally, any legal entity receiving said monies or other thing of value must likewise report to the Board the receipt of said monies or item of value within seven (7) days. The legal entity receiving said monies or other thing of value shall forward a copy of Form CF-8 to the donor member with notice that said form may be required to be completed by the donor member. This shall apply whenever a legal entity receives any money or other thing of value in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) from any single source.

No corporation, whether for profit or non-profit, domestic or foreign, or any other legal entity as defined herein, is permitted to make any expenditures to or with any candidate, political action committee, or political party committee, or for any candidate, political action committee, or political party committee to accept any campaign contribution or expenditure from such corporation or other legal entity.

**PENALTIES:** Any person violating the provisions of the Rhode Island Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act (Chapter 25 of Title 17 of the Rhode Island General Laws) shall be subject to civil and/or criminal penalties.

**THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS BEARING ORIGINAL SIGNATURES.**

**If you have any questions on how to complete this form, please contact the Board of Elections.**