Affidavit of Undue Burden FOR CANDIDATES

Notice: An undue burden affidavit may be filed by a candidate seeking to qualify if paying the charges to verify signatures pursuant to section <u>99.097(4)(a)-(b)</u>, Florida Statutes, would impose an undue burden on personal resources or other resources otherwise available to such candidate.

If any person is paid to solicit signatures on a petition, an undue burden oath may not be subsequently filed in lieu of paying the fees to verify the petition. If an undue burden oath has been filed and payment is subsequently made to any person to solicit signatures on a petition, the undue burden oath is no longer valid and a fee for all signatures previously submitted to the supervisor of elections and any that are submitted thereafter shall be paid. *See* s. 99.097(6), Florida Statutes.

(1) If contributions as defined in section <u>106.011</u>, Florida Statutes, are received, any monetary contributions must first be used to reimburse the supervisor of elections for any signature verification fees that were not paid because of the filing of an undue burden oath. (2) Any candidate who qualified by the petition process and who has surplus funds, must first apply the surplus funds to the reimbursement of the signature verification fee (if applicable) upon terminating the campaign. See s. <u>106.141</u>(7), Florida Statutes.

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