

Title 33 State Board of Elections

Subtitle 13 Campaign Financing

Chapter 08 Independent Expenditure Requirements

Authority: Election Law Article, §§2-102(b)(4) and 13-306, and Title 13, Subtitle 4 Part I, Annotated Code of Maryland Annotated Code of Maryland

.02 Registration.

- A. (text unchanged)
- B. Registration Form Requirements. The registration form shall consist of the following information:
 - (1) – (2) (text unchanged)
 - (3) The name and mailing address of the individual designated as the treasurer or *the* [responsible] officer [authorized to act on behalf of the person making independent expenditures] to file independent expenditure reports pursuant to Election Law Article, §13-306, Annotated Code of Maryland;
 - (4) (text unchanged)
 - (5) Whether the public communication supported or opposed the clearly identified candidate or ballot issue prominently featured in the campaign material [or independent expenditure.];
 - (6) The name and mailing address of [any additional person] *the principal officer who is the individual* exercising direction or control over the activities of the person making independent expenditures; and
 - (7) If the person is a business entity, whether the person:
 - (a) Will notify its shareholders, members, or donors of the independent expenditure disbursements by regular, periodic reports issued by the entity or *by a* hyperlink on the entity's Internet homepage; or
 - (b) (text unchanged)
- C. – D. (text unchanged)
- E. *Registered Agent. The registration form shall be updated within 48 hours after the person making independent expenditures makes aggregate expenditures of \$50,000 or more in the election cycle with:*
 - (1) *The name of the registered agent for the person making independent expenditures; and*
 - (2) *The business address of the registered agent for the person making independent expenditures.*

.08 Public Communication.

A person, or an agent of the person, that establishes, creates, uses, or maintains a social media account, micro-blog or website for disseminating campaign material that is a public communication shall attribute all such costs to the person making an independent expenditure in determining the aggregate amount of the public communication. The total shall include all costs associated with the establishment, creation, use, promotion or maintenance of the social media account, micro-blog or website, including payments to others for the design, promotion or content of the campaign material.

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