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March 4, 2009

Election Department Official or City/Town Clerk,

Enclosed you will find a "Statement of Organization" for the "Arizona's Fire Fighters" independent standing political action committee (PAC). The intent of this mailing is to comply with Arizona Revised Statute 16-902.01 paragraph E. I have enclosed a copy of ARS 16-902.01 for your information and records.

ARS 16-902.01 requires *a standing political committee to file a statement of organization with the secretary of state and in each jurisdiction in which the committee is active, and only the secretary of state shall issue an identification number for the committee.* Please **do not** assign an identification number for these committees. Arizona "standing committees" are not required to file reports with each jurisdiction only with the Secretary of State's office; therefore the "Arizona's Fire Fighters" independent standing political action committee will not be filing regular reports within your jurisdiction.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions regarding this request please do not hesitate to contact me at 602-277-1500.

Respectfully,



Bill Whitaker
Treasurer
Arizona's Fire Fighters Independent Committee (Standing)



STATE OF ARIZONA
POLITICAL COMMITTEE
STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

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- Initial Registration
- Amended Statement
- Out of State Committee
- Standing Political Committee

Titles 16 & 19, Arizona Revised Statutes
Definitions, statutory references and important information on page 2

COMMITTEE ID NUMBER
200602799

NAME OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE (For ballot measure committee, name shall include official petition serial number) ARIZONAS FIRE FIGHTERS		DATE 03/04/2009	
TYPE OF COMMITTEE INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES (STANDING)		BALLOT MEASURE <input type="checkbox"/> SUPPORT <input type="checkbox"/> OPPOSE	
COMMITTEE ADDRESS 61 E COLUMBUS AVE		CITY PHOENIX	STATE AZ
COMMITTEE MAILING ADDRESS (if different from above) 61 E COLUMBUS AVE		CITY PHOENIX	STATE AZ
COMMITTEE TELEPHONE # (602) 265-7332	COMMITTEE FAX # (602) 277-0003	COMMITTEE EMAIL ADDRESS BWHITAKER@PHXFIREFIGHTERS.ORG	
NAME OF SPONSORING ORGANIZATION (if applicable)		TYPE OF ORGANIZATION	
ADDRESS OF SPONSORING ORGANIZATION		RELATIONSHIP TO POLITICAL COMMITTEE	

EACH POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE A CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER. THE POSITION OF CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER OF A SINGLE POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY NOT BE HELD BY THE SAME INDIVIDUAL, EXCEPT THAT A CANDIDATE MAY BE CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER OF HIS OR HER OWN CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE. A.R.S. § 16-902(A).

NAME OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN MICHAEL GIBSON		CHAIRMAN'S TELEPHONE # (602) 265-7332	CHAIRMAN'S FAX # 602270003
CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS 61 E COLUMBUS AVE		CITY PHOENIX	STATE AZ
CHAIRMAN'S OCCUPATION FIRE FIGHTER		CHAIRMAN'S EMPLOYER CITY OF PHOENIX	CHAIRMAN'S EMAIL ADDRESS
NAME OF COMMITTEE TREASURER BILL WHITAKER		TREASURER'S TELEPHONE # (602) 265-7332	TREASURER'S FAX # (602) 277-0003
TREASURER'S ADDRESS 61 E COLUMBUS AVE		CITY PHOENIX	STATE AZ
TREASURER'S OCCUPATION FIRE FIGHTER		TREASURER'S EMPLOYER CITY OF PHOENIX	TREASURER'S EMAIL ADDRESS

BEFORE A COMMITTEE ACCEPTS A CONTRIBUTION OR MAKES AN EXPENDITURE IT SHALL DESIGNATE AT LEAST ONE ACCOUNT AT A QUALIFIED FINANCIAL INSTITUTION. A.R.S. § 16-902(C). LIST THE NAMES OF ALL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH THE COMMITTEE MAINTAINS ACCOUNTS OR SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES. (Do not list account numbers.)

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**FOR A CANDIDATE'S CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE OR AN EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE, PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
(For Exploratory Committees party affiliation and office sought are optional.)**

NAME OF CANDIDATE OR DESIGNATING INDIVIDUAL ("DI")		ELECTION CYCLE	
CANDIDATE OR DI'S TELEPHONE #	CANDIDATE OR DI'S FAX #	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	
CANDIDATE OR DI'S ADDRESS		CITY	STATE AZ
CANDIDATE OR DI'S EMAIL ADDRESS	PARTY AFFILIATION	OFFICE SOUGHT	

Committee ID: 200602799

Date: 03/04/2009

Form ID: 0000041002



STATE OF ARIZONA POLITICAL COMMITTEE STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

YOUR APPLICATION IS NOT COMPLETE WITHOUT THE REQUIRED SIGNATURES BELOW:

BOX 1 All committees require the signature of both the chairman and treasurer. Standing Committees, see BOX 3 below.

CHAIRMAN'S AND TREASURER'S STATEMENT: We, the undersigned, have examined the information contained in this statement of organization and, to the best of our knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

Date: 3-4-09 Chairman's signature: [Signature]
Date: 3-4-09 Treasurer's signature: [Signature]

BOX 2 Complete and sign this additional box only if the committee is a candidate's campaign committee or exploratory committee.

DESIGNATING INDIVIDUAL OR CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT: I authorize the above-named political committee as my political committee to receive contributions and make expenditures on my behalf.

Date: _____ D/I's or Candidate's signature: _____

BOX 3 Complete and notarize this box only if the committee has been in existence for more than one year and is filing for Standing Committee status.

STANDING POLITICAL COMMITTEE'S STATEMENT (if applicable) (A.R.S. §16-902.1): I/we hereby declare the status of this political committee as a standing political committee.

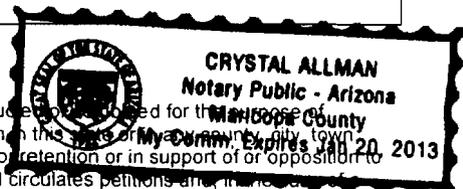
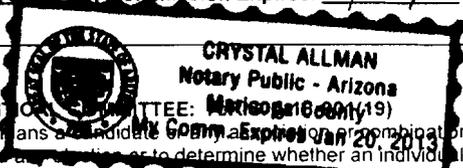
Date: 3-4-09 Chairman's signature: [Signature]
Date: 3-4-09 Treasurer's signature: [Signature]

State of Arizona)
County of Maricopa) ss.

State of Arizona)
County of Maricopa) ss.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 4th day of March
[Signature] My Commission Expires: 1/20/2013
Notary Public

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DEFINITION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE: "Political committee" means a candidate committee or a combination of persons that is organized, conducted or combined for the purpose of influencing the result of an election or to determine whether an individual will become a candidate for election in this state or My County, city, town, district or precinct in this state, that engages in political activity, in support of or against a candidate for election or retention or in support of or opposition to an initiative, referendum or recall or any other measure or proposition and that applies for a serial number and circulates petitions and, in the case of a candidate for public office except those exempt pursuant to section 16-903, that receives contributions or makes expenditures in connection therewith, notwithstanding that the association or combination of persons may be a part of a larger association, combination of persons or sponsoring organization not primarily organized, conducted or combined for the purpose of influencing the result of any election in this state or in any county, city, town or precinct in this state.

NOTE FOR INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES:
An individual, acting alone, is not a political committee under Arizona law and need not file a statement of organization. If any additional person or persons join the effort (as defined above in A.R.S. § 16-901(19)) begun by an individual, the association of persons has become a "political committee" under Arizona law, and must file a statement of organization before accepting contributions, making expenditures, distributing literature or circulating petitions. A.R.S. § 16-902.01(A).

NOTE FOR THOSE INVOLVED IN INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND RECALL EFFORTS:
Before circulating initiative, referendum or recall petitions, a political committee must file its statement of organization with the appropriate filing office. Signatures obtained on petitions prior to the filing of the statement of organization are void and shall not be counted in determining the legal sufficiency of the petition A.R.S. §§ 19-114(B) and 19-202(C) Even though an individual, acting alone, may begin the initiative, referendum or recall effort, as soon as other persons join the effort, the association of persons must register as a political committee. The statement of organization must be filed regardless of whether the committee intends to accept contributions or make expenditures.

attempt to influence the results of a ballot proposition election, the statement of organization shall include in the name of the political committee a statement as to whether the political committee supports or opposes the passage of the ballot measure. Within five days after receipt of an official serial number for the petition, the political committee shall file an amended statement of organization that contains the official serial number for the petition.

§ 16-902.01. Registration of political committees; contents; amendment

- A. Each political committee that intends to accept contributions or make expenditures of more than five hundred dollars shall file a statement of organization with the filing officer before accepting contributions, making expenditures, distributing any campaign literature or circulating petitions. Each political committee that intends to accept contributions or make expenditures of five hundred dollars or less shall file a signed exemption statement in a form prescribed by the filing officer that states that intention before making any expenditures, accepting any contributions, distributing any campaign literature or circulating petitions. If a political committee that has filed a five hundred dollar threshold exemption statement receives contributions or makes expenditures of more than five hundred dollars, that political committee shall file a statement of organization with the filing officer within five business days after exceeding the five hundred dollar limit.
- B. The statement of organization of a political committee shall include all of the following:
1. The name, address and type of committee.
 2. The name, address, relationship and type of any sponsoring organization.
 3. The names, addresses, telephone numbers, occupations and employers of the chairman and treasurer of the committee.
 4. In the case of a candidate's campaign committee, the name, address, office sought and party affiliation of the candidate.
 5. A listing of all banks, safety deposit boxes or other depositories used by the committee.
- C. Except as prescribed by subsection E, on the filing of a statement of organization, a political committee shall be issued an identification number.
- D. The political committee shall file an amended statement of organization reporting any change in the information prescribed in subsection B within five business days after the change.
3. A standing political committee shall file a statement of organization with the secretary of state and in each jurisdiction in which the committee is active, and only the secretary of state shall issue an identification number for the committee. The statement of organization shall include a statement with the notarized signature of the chairman or treasurer of the standing political committee that declares the committee's status as a standing political committee. The secretary of state may charge an annual fee for the filing.
- For a political committee that makes expenditures in an

