



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

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Honorable Ciro D. Rodriguez  
323 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

APR 01 2003

Candidate ID Number: H8TX28013

Dear Mr. Rodriguez:

This letter constitutes formal written notification that Ciro D. Rodriguez for Congress is filing reports of receipts and disbursements (FEC FORM 3) that appear to be for the 2004 election.

A review of these reports indicates that your principal campaign committee has no debts from the previous election cycle, and has accepted contributions and/or made expenditures in support of your 2004 candidacy in excess of \$5,000, thus meeting the definition of "candidate" per Federal Election Campaign Laws. (See 2 U.S.C. §431(2))

You must either disavow these activities by notifying the Commission in writing that you are not a candidate, or redesignate your principal campaign committee by filing a Statement of Candidacy (FEC FORM 2) within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter. An FEC FORM 2 is enclosed for your convenience.

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Liljeroot in the Reports Analysis Division on the toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). Our local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Barry J. Conway  
Chief, Authorized Branch  
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure

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# FEC FORM 2 STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

1. (a) Name of Candidate (in full)

(b) Address (number and street)		<input type="checkbox"/> Check if address changed	2. Identification Number	
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code			3. Is This Statement	New IN: . . . . . Amended (A)
4. Party Affiliation	5. Office Sought	6. State & District of Candidate		

7. I hereby designate the following named political committee as my Principal Campaign Committee for the \_\_\_\_\_ election(s).  
(year of election)

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the appropriate office listed in the instructions.

(a) Name of Committee (in full)

(b) Address (number and street)

(c) City, State, and ZIP Code

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(Including Joint Fundraising Representatives)

8. I hereby authorize the following named committee, which is NOT my principal campaign committee, to receive and expend funds on behalf of my candidacy.

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the principal campaign committee.

(a) Name of Committee (in full)

(b) Address (number and street)

(c) City, State, and ZIP Code

### DECLARATION OF INTENT TO EXPEND PERSONAL FUNDS (House or Senate Only)

9. I intend to expend personal funds exceeding the threshold amount (see 11 C.F.R. 400.9) by

9A	for the primary election; and
9B	for the general election.

If you do not intend to expend personal funds exceeding the threshold amount for either election, you must enter "0.00" for both.

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Candidate	Date
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Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to penalties of 2 U.S.C. 5437g

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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR FEC FORM 2

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## Instructions for Statement of Candidacy (FEC FORM 2)

**Who Must File FEC Form 2**

Each individual who is a candidate for federal office must file FEC FORM 2 or, if not filing electronically, a letter containing the same information within 15 days of becoming a candidate. An individual becomes a candidate for federal office whenever any of the following events occur:

- The individual has received contributions aggregating in excess of \$5,000 or made expenditures aggregating in excess of \$5,000;
- The individual has given his or her consent to another person to receive contributions or make expenditures on behalf of that individual and such person has received contributions aggregating in excess of \$5,000 or made expenditures aggregating in excess of \$5,000;
- The aggregate of contributions received in 1 and 2 above combined exceeds \$5,000 or the aggregate of expenditures made in 1 and 2 above combined exceeds \$5,000.

Funds received and payments made for the purpose of determining whether an individual should become a candidate are not considered "contributions" or "expenditures" which may trigger candidacy. Only funds permissible under the Act may be used for such activities. See 11 CFR 100.72(b) and 100.131 for further information.

Note: Political committees (except for principal campaign committees of Senate candidates) must file reports in an electronic format under 11 CFR 104.18 if they have either received contributions or made expenditures in excess of \$50,000 during a calendar year, or if they have reason to expect that they will exceed either of those thresholds during the calendar year. If the committee has reached this level of activity, you must file this form in an electronic format.

An authorized committee of a candidate is considered to have reason to ex-

pect it will exceed the electronic filing threshold for the next two calendar years after the calendar year in which it exceeds \$50,000 in contributions or expenditures.

A new authorized committee with no previous contributions or expenditures is considered to have reason to expect it will exceed the electronic filing threshold if it exceeds \$12,500 in contributions or expenditures during the first calendar quarter of the calendar year, or \$25,000 in contributions or expenditures in the first half of the calendar year.

Contact the FEC for more information on filing electronically.

**When to File**

FEC FORM 2 must be filed within 15 days after an individual becomes a candidate (i.e., exceeds the \$5,000 threshold as stated in 1, 2, and 3, above).

**Where to File**

(See also instructions for Line 7, below.)

• **Senate Candidates.** Candidates seeking nomination or election to the United States Senate file with the Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-7116. Mail addressed to the Secretary of the Senate should read: "Office of Public Records, P.O. Box 5109, Alexandria, VA 22301-0109." Additionally, when filling out Line 9 (Declaration of Intent to Expend Personal Funds), the candidate must send a copy of FEC Form 2 or the information required therein to the Federal Election Commission by facsimile machine (to 202-219-0174) or by electronic mail (to 2022190174@fec.gov). The candidate must also simultaneously send a copy via facsimile machine or electronic mail to each opposing candidate. 11 CFR 400.20(b)(1). Fax numbers and electronic mail addresses for opposing

candidates are available from the FEC's web site at [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov).

• **House Candidates.** Candidates seeking nomination or election to the U.S. House file with the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Additionally, when filling out Line 9 (Declaration of Intent to Expend Personal Funds), the candidate must send a copy of FEC Form 2 or the information required therein to the Federal Election Commission by facsimile machine (to 202-219-0174) or by electronic mail (to 2022190174@fec.gov). The candidate must also simultaneously send a copy via facsimile machine or electronic mail to each opposing candidate. 11 CFR 400.20(b)(2). Fax numbers and electronic mail addresses for opposing candidates are available from the FEC's web site at [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov).

• **Presidential/Vice-Presidential Candidates.** Candidates seeking nomination or election to the offices of U.S. President or U.S. Vice President file with the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463.

**State Filing.** House and Senate candidates must file a copy of this form with the state in which the office is sought, with the exception of candidates in states that have qualified for the Commission's state filing waiver program. Presidential candidates must file a copy of this form in states where they have made expenditures, with the exception of those states that have qualified for the Commission's state filing waiver program. A list of qualified states is available from the Federal Election Commission.

**Candidate Duties and Responsibilities**

The candidate is personally responsible for the timely and complete filing of this Statement and for the accuracy of any information contained in it.

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