



COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT BRENT CLONINGER [STA-C3156N-C-003]

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Good morning,

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 163-278.34(a), the State Board may waive a late penalty if it determines there is good cause for the waiver. It is within the State Board's discretion to waive an entire penalty, or to reduce a penalty by any amount.

A political committee or referendum committee requesting a waiver of a civil late penalty must complete the [Affidavit to Request a Waiver of Civil Late Penalties \(PDF\)](#) form and file it with the State Board of Elections. Please include all relevant facts or circumstances on this form. You may attach additional pages if necessary. Per Rule 08 NCAC 21 .0206, the form must be filed within 60 days of service of the notice of penalty assessment.

Factors considered by the State Board in determining good cause include but are not limited to:

1. Whether the late report was the first late report of the committee or the first late report within the last 10 years.
2. Whether the late report was due prior to or after the election for a candidate.
3. Whether the late report resulted in any contribution or expenditure not being disclosed to the public.
4. Whether the late report resulted from a family emergency, severe illness or hospitalization, natural disaster, or similar unforeseen circumstance.
5. Whether the treasurer or assistant treasurer received insufficient guidance from the State Board office or county board office in attempting to file reports.
6. Whether documented issues with the U.S. Postal Service or other delivery service inhibited the committee from filing a timely report.

The form may be filed by mail or email:

N.C. State Board of Elections
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Raleigh, NC 27611-7255

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Thanks,
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