



**KENTUCKY REGISTRY OF ELECTION FINANCE
140 WALNUT STREET
FRANKFORT, KY 40601**

AGENDA

September 23, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Roll Call

- 1. Swearing-in of Reappointed and New Registry Board Member(s) Laura Bennett, John Bissell Roberts, and Belle Townsend**
- 2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** (February 19, 2026 Meeting)
- 3. Approval of Cases/Conciliation Agreements:** Leslie Saunders, General Counsel
 - a) Board-Directed Conciliation Agreements
 - b) Late Filing of Campaign Finance Reports/Statement of Spending Intent
- 4. Approval of Statewide Audits: Without Findings:**
 - a) Campaign Fund of Allison J. Ball for Auditor of Public Accounts, 2023 Primary
 - b) Campaign Fund of Allison J. Ball for Auditor of Public Accounts, 2023 General
 - c) Campaign Fund of Stephen L. Knipper for Secretary of State, 2023 Primary
 - d) Campaign Fund of Dennis Ray Ormerod for Governor, 2023 Primary
- 5. Case No. 2026-0002: In re: 2026 Primary Campaign Fund of Herbert Rumford Jr. for Bracken County Sheriff, Herbert Rumford, Candidate and Treasurer**
Alleges violation(s) of KRS 121.180(1)(a)1, KRS 121.190(1)
- 6. Case No. 2026-0027: In re: Ballard Keith Metcalfe for Magistrate, Nelson County Fiscal Court, District 1, Ballard Keith Metcalfe, Candidate and Treasurer**
Alleges violation(s) of KRS 121.180(1)(a), KRS 121.180(4)
- 7. No. 2026-0001: In re: 2026 Primary Campaign Fund of Barry Lester Sparks for Robertson County Sheriff; Barry Lester Sparks, Candidate and Treasurer; and Tim Short Maysville, LLC**
Alleges violation(s) of KRS 121.150(18), KRS 121.180(4), KRS 121.190, KRS 121.025
- 8. Case No. 2026-0012: In re: 2026 Primary Campaign Fund of Max Morley for State Representative, 30th District, Max Morley, Candidate and Drew Waford, Treasurer**
Alleges violation(s) of KRS 121.180(3)(a)2

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9. Case No. 2026-0048: In re: 2026 Primary Campaign Fund of John William Black for County Judge Case Executive, Oldham County, John William Black, Candidate and Treasurer

Alleges violation(s) of KRS 121.180(3)

10. Case No. 2026-0062: In re: 2026 Primary Campaign Fund of James Michael Gregory for Magistrate, Simpson District-E, Candidate and Treasurer

Alleges violation(s) of KRS 121.180(3)(a), KRS 121.175

11. Budget Report: Katrina Beckley, Executive Staff Advisor

12. General Counsel's Update: Leslie Saunders, General Counsel

Closed session – no guests, no Registry staff other than Board Members, General Counsel, and Executive Director present

13. 2026 Legislative Update: Chairman O'Brien and John R. Steffen, Executive Director

- a) Amendments to KRS Chapter 121 from the 2026 Legislative Session
- b) Proposed Amendments to KAR Title 32

14. Chairman/Executive Director's Report: Chairman O'Brien and John R. Steffen, Executive Director

- a) Staff changes
- b) COGEL December 2026 Conference travel approval
- c) Authorization for the Registry's Executive Director, General Counsel, and Board Chairman to represent the Registry before legislative committees in 2027
- d) Officer elections

New Business

Future Meeting Date(s)

- a) February 18, 2027 – proposed future meeting date (federal holiday Monday, February 15)
- b) June 17, 2027 – proposed future meeting date (federal holiday Friday, June 18)

Adjournment