

# FCPA Filing Calendar - 2016 Election Cycle

**Presidential Preference Primary Election**  
**Statewide Primary Election**  
**Primary Runoff Election**  
**General Election**

**Tuesday, March 1, 2016**  
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**Tuesday, April 12, 2016**  
**Tuesday, November 8, 2016**

<p>Purple lines indicate deadlines involving monthly reports. Monthly reports are due on the second business day of the subsequent month beginning 12 months before the election date after crossing the threshold which is \$1000. [17-5-8(a)(1)] Monthly reports are not due if filing weekly reports. [17-5-8(k)]</p>
<p>Blue lines indicate deadlines involving weekly reports. Weekly reports covering the period Saturday through Friday are due on the Monday of the subsequent week beginning four weeks before the election date. [17-5-8(a)(2)] Weekly reports are not due if filing daily reports. [17-5-8(k)]</p>
<p>Red lines indicate deadlines involving daily reports. Beginning on the 8th day prior to the election, daily reports are due for principal campaign committees and PACs that receive or spend \$5,000 or more on that day with a view toward influencing the election. Daily reports are only due on those days that the \$5,000 threshold is met. Daily reports apply <u>only</u> to legislative, state school board, and statewide candidates, <u>not</u> circuit, district, county, or city office. [17-5-8(a)(3)(a)]</p>
<p>Principal campaign committees and PACs must file a report disclosing the receipt of any single contribution of \$20,000 or more within two (2) business days of receiving the contribution <u>if</u> the contribution has not already been reported in a finance disclosure report. [17-5-8.1(c)]</p>
<p>Green lines indicate the legislative blackout beginning and ending dates. The FCPA prohibits candidates for legislative and statewide offices from raising money while the Alabama Legislature is in session, except within 120 days of a primary, primary runoff, or general election. [17-5-7(b)(2)]</p>

Date	Activity
March 1, 2015	Party candidates intending to participate in the 2016 primary election may begin soliciting and accepting contributions
March 3, 2015	First day of regular session for the Alabama legislature and first day of the legislative blackout for those candidates not retiring debt from the 2014 general election
March 4, 2015	The last day to retire campaign debt for the 2014 general election (120 days after the election). [17-5-7(b)(3)].
March 31, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
March 31, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>April 2, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>March</u> monthly report</b>
<b>April 27, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - Confederate Memorial Day</b>
April 30, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
May 2, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>May 4, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>April</u> monthly report</b>
<b>May 25, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - National Memorial Day</b>
May 31, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
<b>June 1, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - Jefferson Davis' Birthday</b>
June 1, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>June 3, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>May</u> monthly report</b>
June 15, 2015	Last day of regular session for the Alabama legislature and the last day of the legislative blackout
June 30, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
June 30, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>July 2, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>June</u> monthly report</b>

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<b>July 3, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - Independence Day</b>
July 31, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
August 1, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>August 4, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>July</u> monthly report</b>
August 31, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
September 2, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>September 2, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>August</u> monthly report</b>
September 30, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
October 2, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>October 2, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>September</u> monthly report</b>
October 31, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
November 2, 2015	Electioneering communication for the primary election is defined as any communication disseminated through any federally regulated broadcast media, any mailing, or the distribution, electronic communication, phone bank, or publication containing (1) the name or image of a candidate; (2) is made within 120 days of an election in which the candidate will appear on the ballot; (3) the only reasonable conclusion to be drawn from the presentation and content of the communication is that it is intended to influence the outcome of an election; and (4) entails an expenditure in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). [17-5-2(a)(5)]
November 3, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>November 3, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>October</u> monthly report</b>
November 6, 2015	Last day candidates may qualify with political parties to participate in primary election [17-13-5(a)]
November 8, 2015	Candidates intending to participate in the 2016 general election, but not in the primary election, may begin soliciting and accepting contributions
<b>November 11, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - Veterans Day</b>
<b>November 26, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - Thanksgiving Day</b>
November 30, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
December 2, 2015	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>December 2, 2015</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>November</u> monthly report</b>
<b>December 25, 2015</b>	<b>State Holiday - Christmas Day</b>
December 31, 2015	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
<b>January 1, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - New Year's Day</b>
January 5, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>January 5, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>December</u> monthly report</b>
<b>January 18, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Robert E. Lee/Martin Luther King</b>
February 1, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the annual report
<b>February 1, 2016</b>	<b>Annual Report Due. [17-5-8(b)] Only for PACs and elected officials not already filing monthly reports in the 2016 election cycle. Also applies to PACs and Principal Campaign Committees not participating in the 2016 election cycle.</b>
January 31, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
February 2, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report

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<b>February 2, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>January</u> monthly report</b>
February 2, 2016	First day of regular session for the Alabama legislature
February 5, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election; includes all reportable activity since last report
February 8, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<b>February 8, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</b>
<b>February 9, 2016</b>	<b>Mardi Gras - Observed in Baldwin and Mobile County</b>
February 12, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
<b>February 15, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Washington/Jefferson Birthday</b>
February 16, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<b>February 16, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</b>
February 19, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
February 22, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<b>February 22, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</b>
<b>February 22, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>February 23, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>February 24, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>February 25, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>February 26, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
February 26, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
<b>February 27, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>February 28, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
February 29, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
February 29, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<b>February 29, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</b>
<b>February 29, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due by 12:01 p.m. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>March 1, 2016</b>	<b>Primary Elections</b>
March 2, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>March 2, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>February</u> monthly report; <u>only</u> for candidates <u>not</u> participating in the primary election</b>

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March 18, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election; includes all reportable activity since last report
March 21, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>March 21, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</b>
March 25, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
March 28, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>March 28, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</b>
March 31, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
April 1, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
April 4, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>April 4, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>March</u> monthly report; <u>only</u> for candidates <u>not</u> participating in primary runoff election</b>
April 4, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 4, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</b>
<b>April 4, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>April 5, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>April 6, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>April 7, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>April 8, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
April 8, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 9, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>April 10, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
April 11, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 11, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</b>
<b>April 11, 2016</b>	<b>Daily reports due by 12:01 p.m. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page</b>
<b>April 12, 2016</b>	<b>Primary Runoff Election</b>
<b>April 25, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Confederate Memorial Day</b>
April 30, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the general election, includes all reportable activity since last report
May 3, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>May 3, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>April</u> monthly report</b>

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<b>May 30, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - National Memorial Day</b>
May 31, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
June 2, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>June 2, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>May</u> monthly report</b>
<b>June 6, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Jefferson Davis' Birthday</b>
June 29, 2016	Last day candidates in primary election can accept contributions to retire a campaign debt
June 30, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
<b>July 4, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Independence Day</b>
July 5, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>July 5, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>June</u> monthly report</b>
July 11, 2016	Electioneering communication for the general election is defined as any communication disseminated through any federally regulated broadcast media, any mailing, or the distribution, electronic communication, phone bank, or publication containing (1) the name or image of a candidate; (2) is made within 120 days of an election in which the candidate will appear on the ballot; (3) the only reasonable conclusion to be drawn from the presentation and content of the communication is that it is intended to influence the outcome of an election; and (4) entails an expenditure in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). [17-5-2(a)(5)]
July 31, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
August 2, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>August 2, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>July</u> monthly report</b>
August 10, 2016	Last day candidates in primary runoff election can accept contributions to retire a campaign debt
August 31, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
September 2, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>September 2, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>August</u> monthly report</b>
<b>September 5, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Labor Day</b>
September 30, 2016	Deadline to close books for the monthly report
October 4, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report
<b>October 4, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the <u>September</u> monthly report</b>
<b>October 10, 2016</b>	<b>State Holiday - Columbus Day</b>
October 14, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the general election, includes all reportable activity since last report
October 17, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<b>October 17, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</b>
October 21, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the general election
October 24, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<b>October 24, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</b>

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October 28, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the general election
October 31, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<b>October 31, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</b>
<b>October 31, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>November 1, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>November 2, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>November 3, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>November 4, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
November 4, 2016	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the general election
<b>November 5, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>November 6, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
November 7, 2016	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<b>November 7, 2016</b>	<b>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</b>
<b>November 7, 2016</b>	<b>Daily report due by 12:01 p.m. Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page.</b>
<b>November 8, 2016</b>	<b>General Election</b>
January 31, 2017	Certified mail deadline for annual report
<b>January 31, 2017</b>	<b>2016 annual report due (on or before January 31 of the succeeding year) next after general election</b>
March 8, 2017	Last day candidates in general election can accept contributions to retire a campaign debt