

# FCPA Filing Calendar - 2012 Election Cycle

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

**Tuesday, March 13, 2012**  
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**Tuesday, April 24, 2012**  
**Tuesday, November 6, 2012**

Purple lines indicate deadlines involving monthly reports. Monthly reports are due on the last day of each month beginning 12 months prior to the election date. Principal campaign committees and PACs receiving \$10,000 or less may file monthly reports via fax.

Blue lines indicate deadlines involving weekly reports. Weekly reports are due on the Friday of each week beginning on the month preceding the month in which the election is held. Principal campaign committees and PACs receiving \$10,000 or less may file weekly reports via fax.

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 any day with a view toward influencing the election. Once a principal campaign committee or PAC meets this daily amount, it must file daily reports up until the election date. Daily reports can be faxed to the Secretary of State's office at (334) 353-2295. Daily reports do not apply to elections involving county and city offices.

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 if the contribution has not already been reported in a finance disclosure report.

Date	Activity
March 13, 2011	Candidates intending to participate in the 2012 primary election may begin soliciting and accepting contributions
September 28, 2011	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
September 28, 2011	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the primary election
<i>September 30, 2011</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary election</i>
October 29, 2011	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
October 29, 2011	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the primary election
<i>October 31, 2011</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary election</i>
November 6, 2011	Candidates intending to participate in the 2012 general election, but not in the primary election, may begin soliciting and accepting contributions
November 14, 2011	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).

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November 28, 2011	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
November 28, 2011	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the primary election
<i>November 30, 2011</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary election</i>
December 26, 2011	State Holiday (Christmas)
December 31, 2011	Deadline to close books for the monthly pre-election report for the primary election
December 31, 2011	Certified mail deadline for the monthly pre-election report for the primary election
January 2, 2012	State Holiday (New Year's)
<i>January 3, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary election</i>
January 13, 2012	Last day candidates may qualify with political parties to participate in primary election
January 28, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the annual report
January 28, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the primary election
January 28, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election (falls on a Sunday)
<i>January 31, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline for candidates and political committees to file annual report</i>
<i>January 31, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary election</i>
February 1, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
February 1, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<i>February 3, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</i>
February 7, 2012	Regular legislative session begins.
February 8, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
February 8, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<i>February 10, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</i>
February 15, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
February 15, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<i>February 17, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</i>
February 21, 2012	Mardi Gras - Observed in Baldwin and Mobile County
February 22, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
February 22, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<i>February 24, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</i>

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February 27, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
February 27, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the primary election
<i>February 29, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary election</i>
February 29, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
February 29, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<i>March 2, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary election</i>
March 2, 2012	Last day to register to vote for the primary election
<i>March 5, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<i>March 6, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<i>March 7, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
March 7, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
March 7, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary election
<i>March 8, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<i>March 9, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<i>March 9, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly pre-election report for the primary election</i>
<i>March 12, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<b>March 13, 2012</b>	<b>Primary Elections</b>
March 14, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
March 14, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<i>March 16, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</i>
March 21, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
March 21, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<i>March 23, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</i>
<i>March 28, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election</i>

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March 28, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
March 30, 2012	Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election
March 31, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary runoff election
March 31, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 2, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the primary runoff election</i></b>
April 4, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
April 4, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 6, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</i></b>
April 11, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
April 11, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 13, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election</i></b>
April 13, 2012	Last day to register to vote for the primary runoff election
<b>April 16, 2012</b>	<b><i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i></b>
<b>April 17, 2012</b>	<b><i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i></b>
<b>April 18, 2012</b>	<b><i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i></b>
April 18, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
April 18, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 19, 2012</b>	<b><i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i></b>
<b>April 20, 2012</b>	<b><i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i></b>
April 20, 2012	Deadline to file the weekly report for the primary runoff election
<b>April 23, 2012</b>	<b><i>Daily reports due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i></b>
<b>April 23, 2012</b>	<b><i>Pre-election report due for principal campaign committees and PACs receiving or spending an aggregate of \$5,000 or more on any day with a view towards influencing the election's result no later than 12:01 am on this day.</i></b>
<b>April 24, 2012</b>	<b>Primary Runoff Election</b>

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April 28, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
April 28, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election
<b>April 30, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the general election</i></b>
<b>May 28, 2012</b>	<b>State Holiday</b>
May 29, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
May 29, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election
<b>May 31, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the monthly pre-election report for the general election</i></b>
<b>June 4, 2012</b>	<b>State Holiday ( Jefferson Davis' Birthday)</b>
June 30, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
June 30, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election
<b>July 2, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the general election</i></b>
<b>July 4, 2012</b>	<b>State Holiday - Independence Day</b>
July 9, 2012	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).
July 11, 2012	Last day candidates in primary election can accept contributions to retire a campaign debt
July 28, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
July 28, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election
<b>July 31, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the general election</i></b>
August 22, 2012	Last day candidates in primary runoff election can accept contributions to retire a campaign debt
August 29, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
August 29, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election
<b>August 31, 2012</b>	<b><i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the general election</i></b>
<b>September 3, 2012</b>	<b>State Holiday (Labor Day)</b>
September 29, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
September 29, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election

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<i>October 1, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the general election</i>
October 3, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
October 3, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<i>October 5, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</i>
October 8, 2012	State Holiday (Columbus Day)
October 10, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
October 10, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<i>October 12, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</i>
October 17, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
October 17, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<i>October 19, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</i>
October 24, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
October 24, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<i>October 26, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</i>
October 26, 2012	Last day to register to vote for general election
<i>October 29, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
October 29, 2012	Deadline to close books for the monthly report for the primary election
October 29, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the monthly report for the general election
<i>October 30, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<i>October 31, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the monthly report for the general election</i>
<i>October 31, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
October 31, 2012	Deadline to close books for the weekly report for the primary election
October 31, 2012	Certified mail deadline for the weekly report for the general election
<i>November 1, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>
<i>November 2, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( Does not apply to county and city offices )</i>

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<i>November 2, 2012</i>	<i>Deadline to file the weekly report for the general election</i>
<i>November 5, 2012</i>	<i>Daily report due . Please refer to the instructions on the top of the calendar page. ( <u>Does not apply to county and city offices</u> )</i>
<i>November 5, 2012</i>	<i>Pre-election report due for principal campaign committees and PACs receiving or spending an aggregate of \$5,000 or more on any day with a view towards influencing the election's result no later than 12:01 am on this day.</i>
<b>November 6, 2012</b>	<b>General Election</b>
January 29, 2013	Certified mail deadline for annual report
<i>January 31, 2013</i>	<i>2012 annual report due (on or before January 31 of the succeeding year) next after general election</i>
March 6, 2013	Last day candidates in general election can accept contributions to retire a campaign debt

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