

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY CANDIDATES COVERED BY
THE MANDATORY PROVISION
OF THE
ETHICAL CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ORDINANCE**

The Mandatory Fair Campaign Practices of the Ethical Campaign Practices Ordinance automatically extend to candidates and their respective campaign staffs for the Miami-Dade County Commission or Mayor; candidates and their respective campaign staffs for Miami-Dade Community Councils, candidates and their respective campaign staffs for any municipal elective office within Miami-Dade County; candidates and their respective campaign staffs for the Property Appraiser of Miami-Dade County; and any candidate and his or her campaign staff for elective office with a constituency in whole or in part in Miami-Dade County.

As provided in the Miami-Dade County Code at [Sec. 2-11.1.1 \(C\)](#), I shall not—

- (a) With actual malice make or cause to be made any untrue oral statement about another candidate or a member of his or her family or staff which exposes said person to hatred, contempt, or ridicule or causes said person to be shunned, avoided, or injured in his or her business or occupation;
- (b) With actual malice publish or cause to be published by writing, printing, picture, effigy, sign, or otherwise than by mere speech any untrue statement about another candidate or a member of his or her family or staff which exposes said person to hatred, contempt, or ridicule or causes said person to be shunned or avoided, or injured in his or her business or occupation;
- (c) Willfully injure, deface, or damage or cause to be injured, defaced, or damaged by any means any campaign poster, sign, leaflet, handbill, literature, or other campaign material of another candidate;
- (d) Knowingly obtain, or cause to be obtained, the campaign property of another candidate with the intent to, temporarily or permanently, deprive the candidate of a right to the property or a benefit thereof; or
- (e) Knowingly file with the Ethics Commission a groundless or frivolous complaint against another candidate.

I, _____, a candidate for the office of _____,
please print your name
 _____ in _____,
elective office sought county, municipality, or other jurisdiction

acknowledge that the Mandatory Fair Campaign Practices as provided in the Miami-Dade County Code at [Sec. 2-11.1.1 \(C\)\(1\)](#) applies to me throughout this campaign period, regardless of when I sign this acknowledgment. I recognize as compulsory the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission. The Ethics Commission has the authority to decide whether I have violated the Mandatory Fair Campaign Practices of the Ethical Campaign Practices Ordinance and, if a violation is found, the Ethics Commission has the authority to impose the appropriate penalty, if any.

x _____
Signature _____
Date

Candidates for county office file with the Miami-Dade County Elections Department. Candidates for municipal office file with their respective municipal clerks. For further information, please contact the Miami-Dade County Office of Governmental Affairs at 305 499-8410.

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