



**CITY OF TUCSON
2019 PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS
CAMPAIGN FINANCE ADMINISTRATION
INFORMATION UPDATE 2019-01**

TO: Candidates, Political Parties and Political Committees
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From time to time, this office distributes information regarding campaign finance and other election related issues that may be of interest to you. We encourage you to contact the City Clerk's Office with any questions you have regarding these issues.

DEFINITION OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES

On December 3, 2018 the Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, found unconstitutional specific provisions of Senate Bill 1516, as codified at Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 16-911(B)(4), (B)(6)(c), 16-921 (B)(4)(c) and (B)(7) as violations of the Voter Protection Act.

The Court's order enjoins the enforcement of the following provisions.

A.R.S. 16-911 is the "Exemption from the definition of contribution"

Section B states; "The following are not contributions."

Section (B)(4) which exempted the payment by a political party to support its nominee, specifically:

- (a) The printing or distribution of, or postage expenses for, voter guides, sample ballots, pins, bumper stickers, handbills, brochures, posters, yard signs and other similar materials distributed through the party.
- (b) Coordinated political party expenditures.

Section (B)(6)(c) which exempted the value of the payment of a committee's legal or accounting expenses by any person.

A.R.S. 16-921 is the "Exemption from the definition of expenditure"

Section B states; "The following are not expenditures."

Section (B)(4)(c) which exempted the value of the payment of a committee's legal or accounting expenses.

Section (B)(7) which exempted any payment for legal or accounting services that are provided to a committee.

The court order enjoined further provisions of Senate Bill 1516 that do not apply to the City of Tucson.

For clarification, attached are the cited statutes with the affected provisions in strikethrough format. Also attached is the Court's order.

Should you have any questions regarding the information contained in this update, please contact me or Suzanne Mesich, Assistant City Clerk, at 791-4213 or e-mail cityclerk@tucsonaz.gov.