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Oklahoma Ethics Commission Guardian 2.0 System Candidate Committee Onboarding Guide Draft

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Commissioners

Five Commissioners serve on the Commission for the Oklahoma Ethics Commission, with a term of five years and no more than two successive terms. The Commissioners serve on a volunteer basis and are appointed on a staggered basis by the (1) Governor, (2) Chief Justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court, (3) Attorney General, (4) President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and (5) Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Information on the current commissioners may be accessed on the Ethics Commission website at Oklahoma Ethics Commission - Commissioners.

I. Introduction

How to Use This Guide

This Guide summarizes users' initial use of the Oklahoma Ethics Commission Guardian 2.0 System for those parties reporting to the Ethics Commission. This guide provides instructions for creating a user login/profile as well as registering with the Ethics Commission. This guide is not a substitute for the law. If there is a conflict between this Guide and the Constitution, statutes, or Rules, then the Constitution, statutes or Rules prevail. This guide does not replace the guides available at Oklahoma Ethics Commission which provide information for compliance with Ethics Rules and other relevant law for those parties reporting to the Ethics Commission. These additional guides are found at Oklahoma Ethics Commission Guides.

Note: The screen shots below are subject to minor changes in verbiage or labels.

Limited Scope

This Guide is not intended to provide comprehensive information about all Ethics Rules and other relevant law concerning enforcement, complaints, complaints, and investigations.

II. The Ethics Commission's Guardian 2.0 System

The Guardian System is both a filing and disclosure system that contains financial detail and related information that lobbyists, candidate committees, political party committees, political action committees, special committees, and certain state officers and employees are required by law to disclose. Regulated users will use the system to file all required reports online. All lobbyist and committee filings are available for you to review online, save, print, or extract for further analysis.

Who should use this Guardian 2.0 System?

Users should review all registration and reporting requirements prior to registering via the links to guides below each entity. The following are types of entities needing to *Register* and use the Guardian 2.0 System:

- <u>Candidate Committee</u> A Candidate Committee is the only committee authorized by a candidate to accept contributions or make expenditures on behalf of the candidate's campaign.
 See <u>Candidate Guide</u> for more information.
- <u>Lobbyist or Liaison</u> Individuals who are compensated to engage in lobbying activities on behalf of a third party are defined by the entity they lobby and whether they are state officers or employees.
 See <u>Lobbyist Guide</u> for more information.
- <u>Political Action Committee (PAC)</u> A PAC is any group of two or more persons that receives contributions or makes expenditures for any of these purposes:
 - (1) make contributions to candidates or candidate committees;
 - (2) make contributions to other PACs;
 - (3) make election engineering communications; or
 - (4) advocate the approval or defeat of state questions.
 - See Political Action Committee Guide for more information.
- <u>Political Party Committee</u> A Political Party Committee is a committee authorized by a political party, which is recognized under the laws of the State of Oklahoma, to accept contributions and make expenditures on behalf of the political party.
 - See <u>Local Political Party Committee Guide</u> or <u>State Political Party Committee Guide</u> for more information.
- <u>Special Function Committee</u> A committee formed due to an elected state officer solicitation for an event or to pay litigation funds, or a state officer or employee or state agency sponsoring an event.

See State Officers and Employees Guide for more information.

What is the purpose of the Guardian 2.0 System?

This document provides an overview of the entities mentioned above on registration and onboarding. Additional guides are provided for navigation, data entry, and filing an original or amended report in the Guardian 2.0 System. Registered entities use the Guardian 2.0 System to:

- 1. Register with the Ethics Commission
- 2. Enter Transactions All contributions, other funds, and expenditures
- 3. File Reports
- 4. Pay Fees
- 5. View All Filed Reports, Perform Searches, and Download Data

III. Create an Account

Prior to registering, the user must create an account providing an email and setting a password. First time users can select the email to use for this new account. For users of the prior Guardian System, the email used to create accounts must be the same as was used in prior system to enable conversion of prior information. All information is tied to the user email. The following workflow describes the steps for users to create a new account.

Figure 1 Guardian 2.0 System Account Creation Workflow

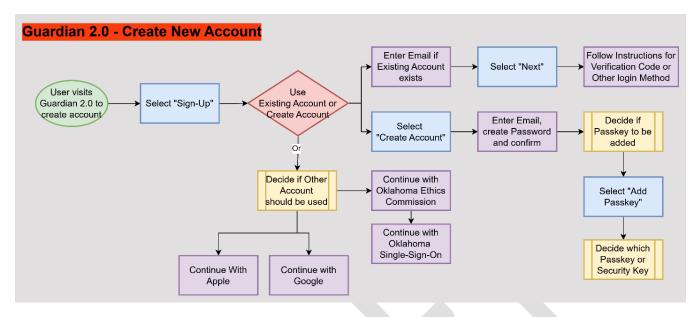


Figure 2 The Guardian 2.0 Landing Page

Users accessing the new Guardian 2.0 System will land on the following page. It provides public information but also a "Sign In" option for existing users to sign in or new users will be provided the option to create an account.



Figure 3 Select Sign In to Create Account

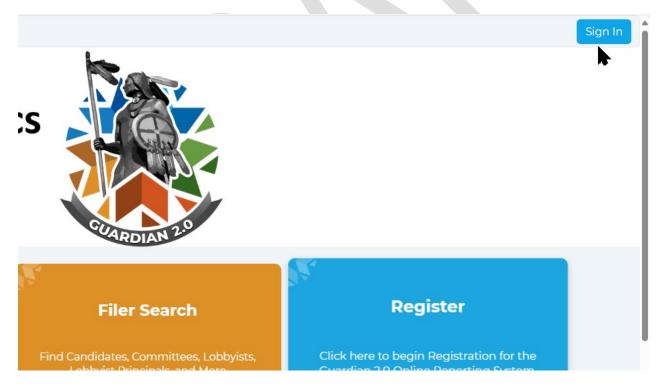


Figure 4 Enter Email to Create Account

First time users can select the email to use for creating a new account. For users of the 7 | Page

prior Guardian System, the email used to create accounts must be the same as was used in prior system to enable conversion of prior information. All information is tied to the user email.

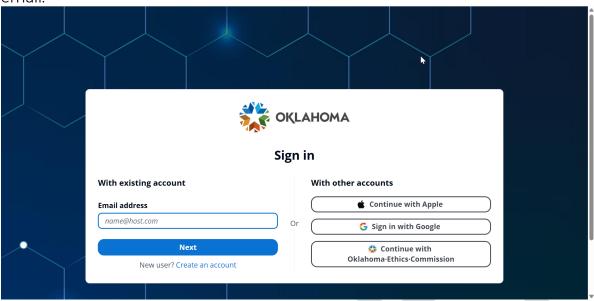


Figure 5 Select Create Account

After email is entered, users will select the "Create an account" option.

Sign in

With existing account

Email address

name@host.com

Or

Next

New user? Create an account

Figure 6 Create Password and Confirm

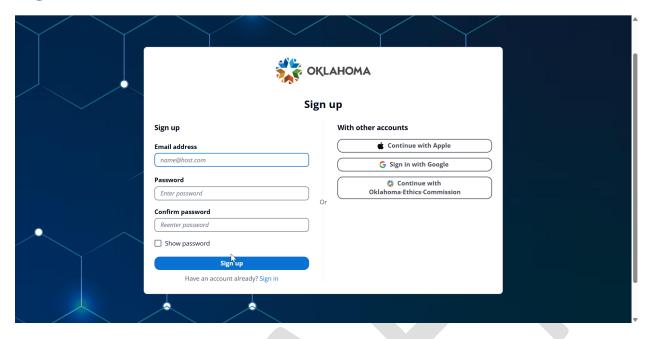


Figure 7 Follow Password Rule Entry

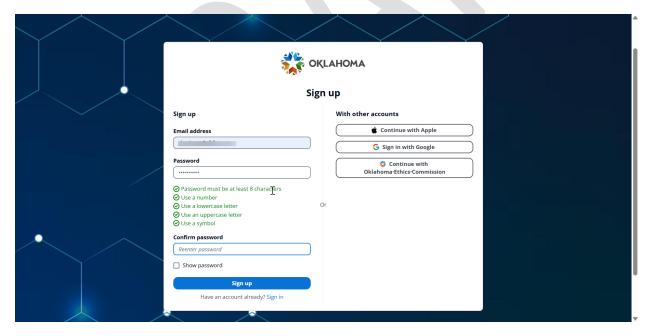


Figure 8 Password Rules

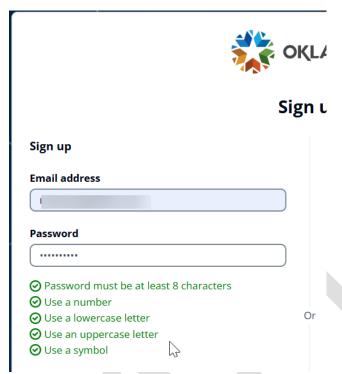


Figure 9 Sign Up Selection After Password Entry and Confirmation

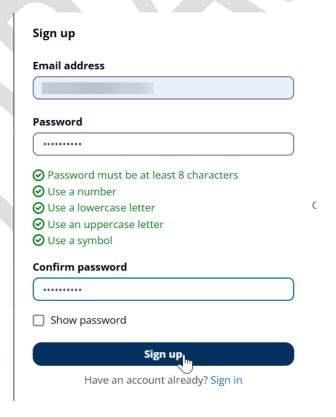


Figure 10 Optional Passkey Addition

After the Entry and Confirming Password, the User Creation will be confirmed and allow for optional passkey or device authorization code entry.

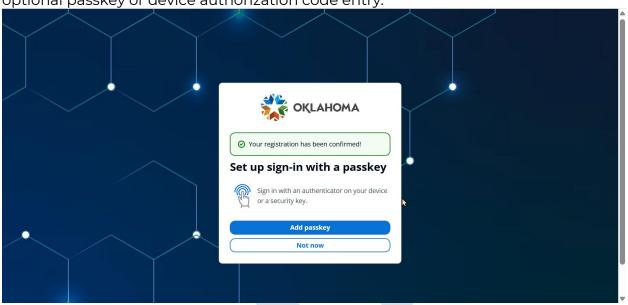


Figure 11 Optional Passkey Selection

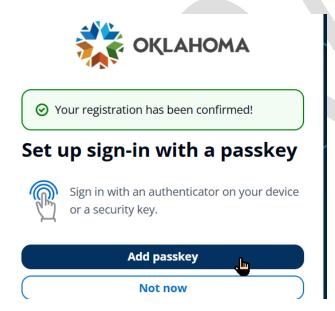


Figure 12 Passkey Creation via Google Password Manager

Users will have the option of creating a Passkey via Google, but it is not required.

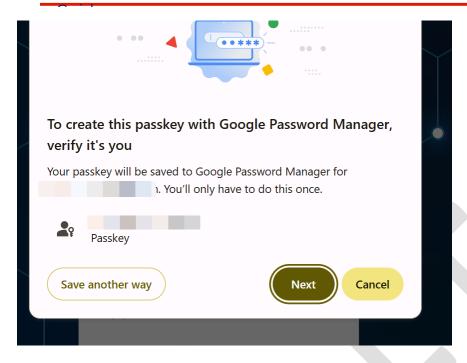
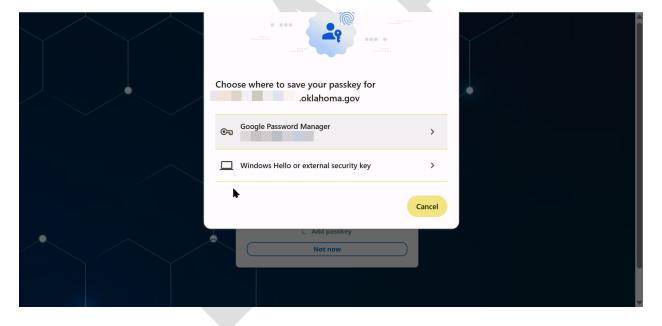


Figure 13 Passkey Setup



IV. Login

Figure 14 User Login

Returning users or users with newly created accounts can now login by selecting "Sign In."



Figure 15 Login - Select Sign In

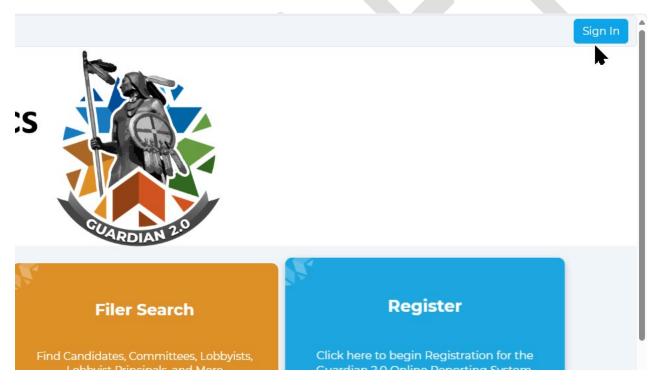


Figure 16 Existing Account Login Enter Email or select "Create

an Account"

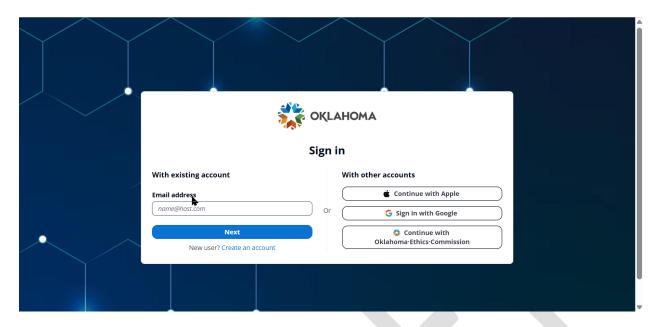


Figure 17 Enter Emailed Verification Code

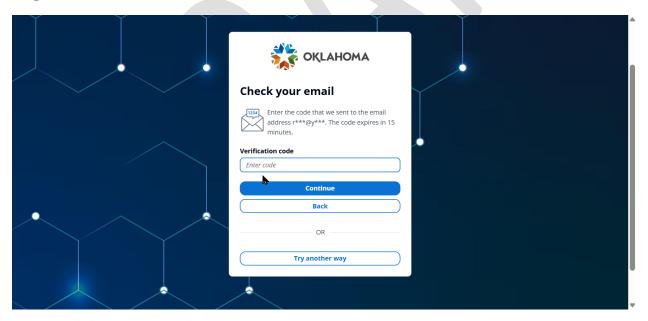


Figure 18 Choose Other Sign-In Method

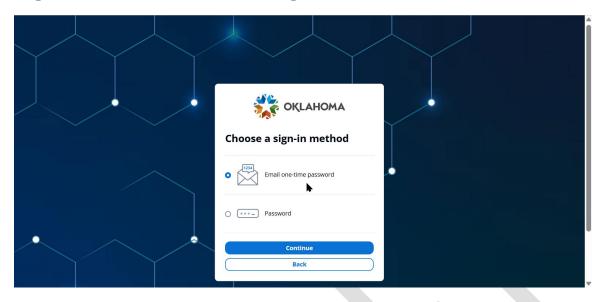


Figure 19 Choose Other Sign-In - Password

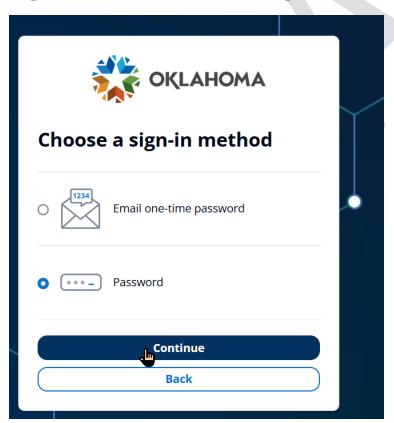


Figure 20 Password Entry - Enter Password

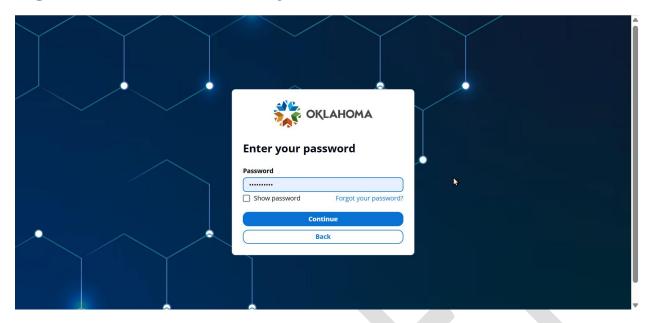
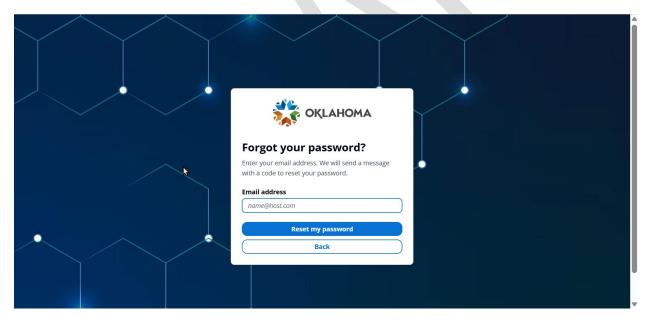


Figure 21 Forgot Password - Enter Email



V. Registration

Figure 22 Guardian 2.0 System Registration Workflow

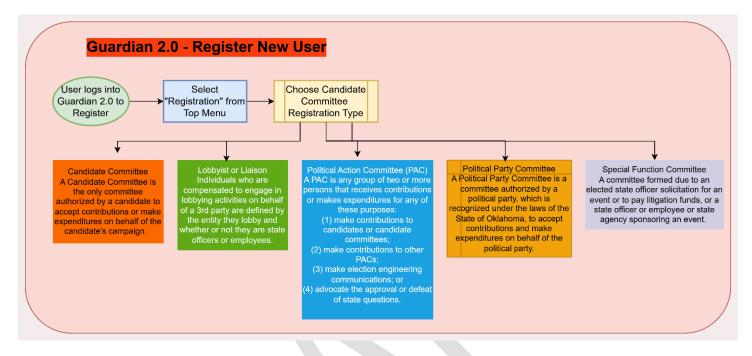
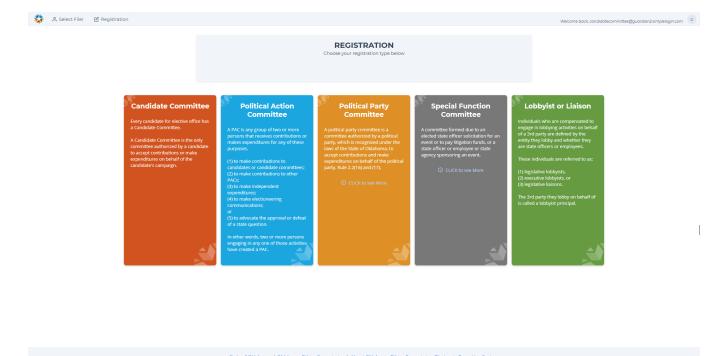


Figure 23 Select Registration Type

Note: Across each of the registration screens, users must select "Next/Save" to save their entries. Exiting any page or hitting "Previous" without saving causes the data to not be saved.



Registration Menu

Figure 24 Registration Menu can be hidden by selecting the arrow

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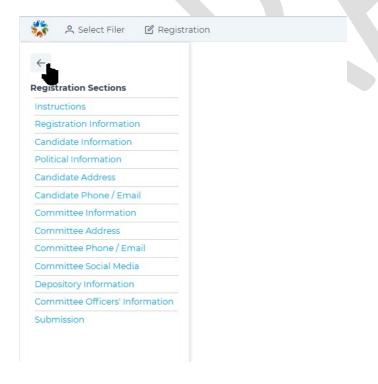
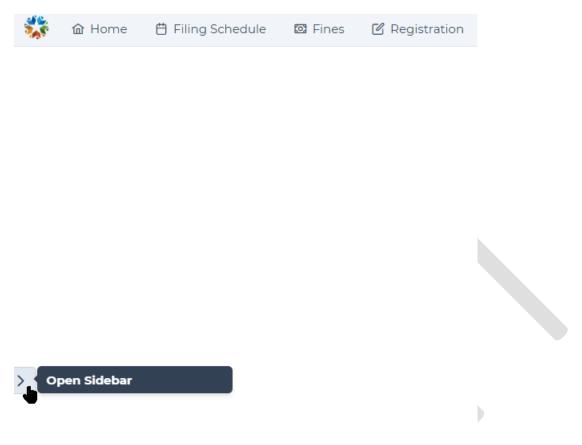


Figure 25 Registration Menu can be opened with Arrow



Candidate Committee Selection
Every candidate for elective office has a Candidate Committee.

A Candidate Committee is the only committee authorized by a candidate to accept contributions or make expenditures on behalf of the candidate's campaign.

See Candidate Guide for more information.

Figure 26 Guardian 2.0 Register Candidate Committee Workflow



Instructions

Figure 27 Candidate Committee Instructions – Select Next or Jump to each item Note: Across each of the registration screens, users must select "Next/Save" to save their entries. Exiting any page or hitting "Previous" without saving causes the data to not be saved.

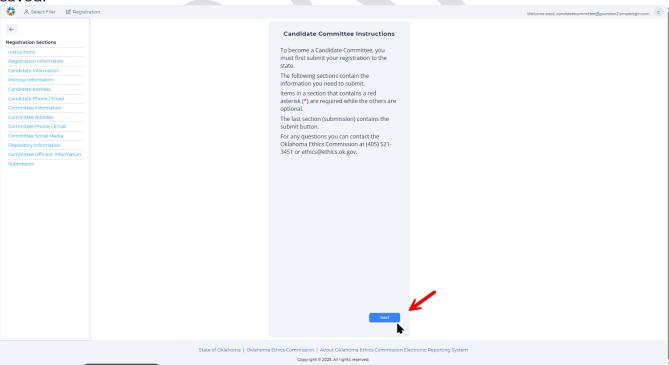
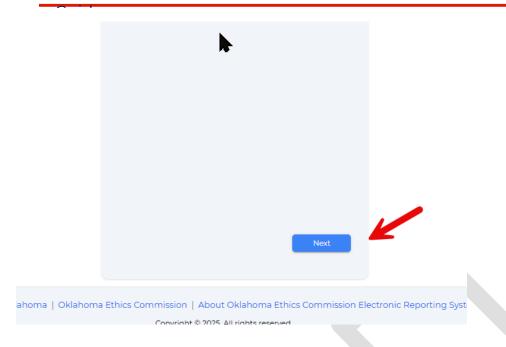
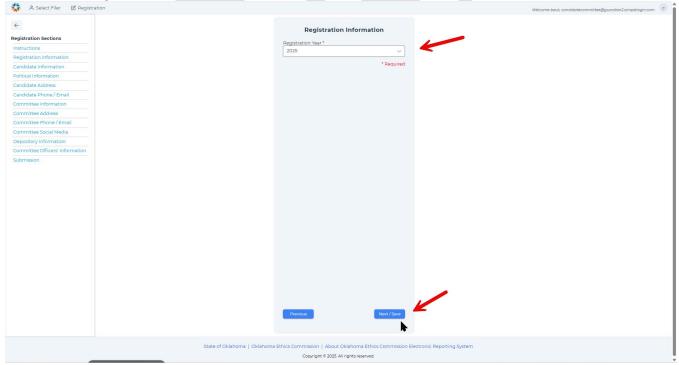


Figure 28 Candidate Committee - Instructions "Next" selection Select "Next."



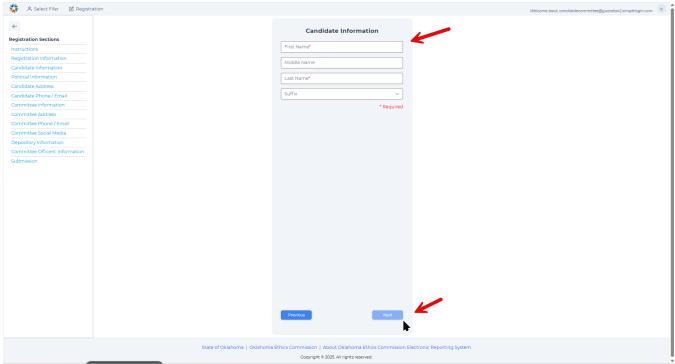
Registration Information

Figure 29 Candidate Committee - Registration Information Select the Registration Year and Select "Next/Save."



Candidate Information

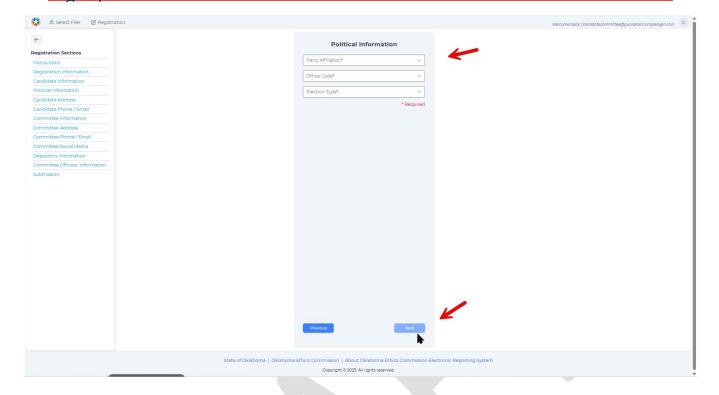
Figure 30 Candidate Committee - Candidate Information Complete the name information and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."



Political Information

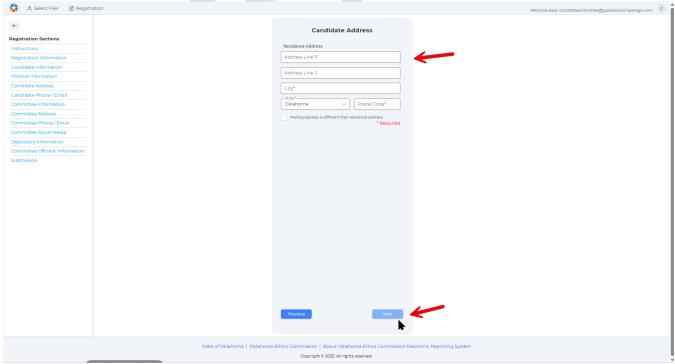
Figure 31 Candidate Committee - Political Information Complete the Political Information and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."

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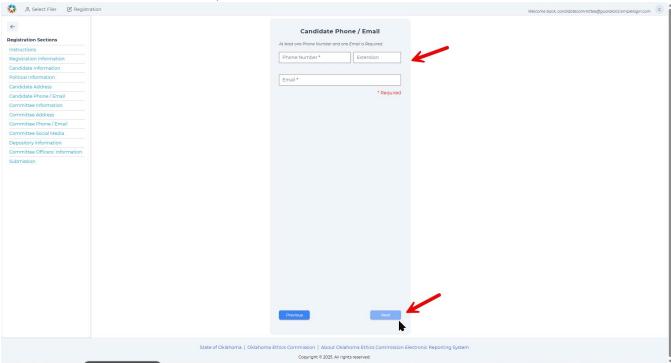
Candidate Address

Figure 32 Candidate Committee - Candidate Address Complete the Candidate Address and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."



Candidate Phone / Email

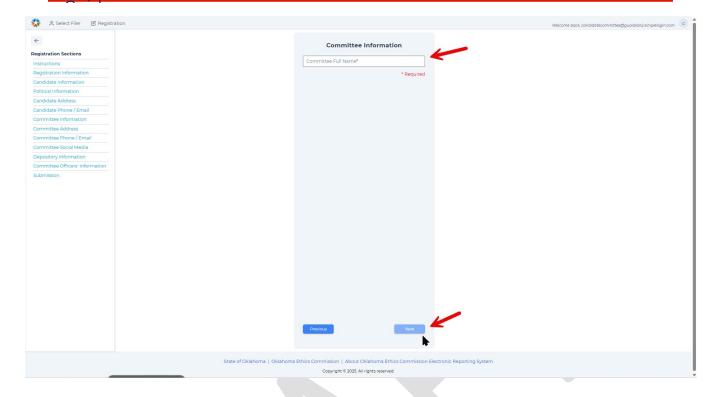
Figure 33 Candidate Committee - Candidate Phone and Email Entry Complete Candidate Phone and Email entry and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."



Committee Information

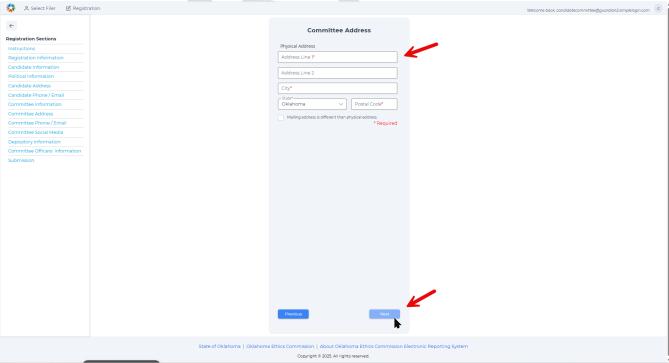
Figure 34 Candidate Committee - Committee Information/Name Enter Committee Full Name and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."

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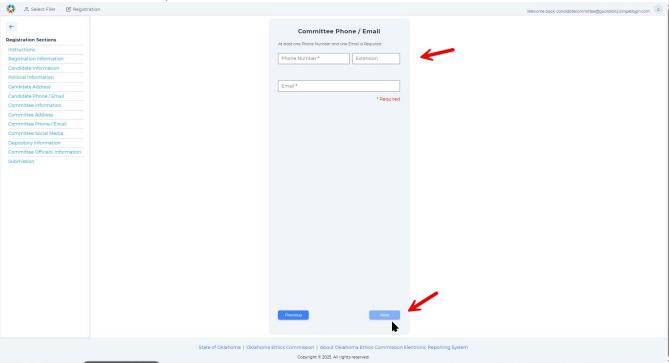
Committee Address

Figure 35 Candidate Committee - Committee Address Enter Committee Address and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."



Committee Phone / Email

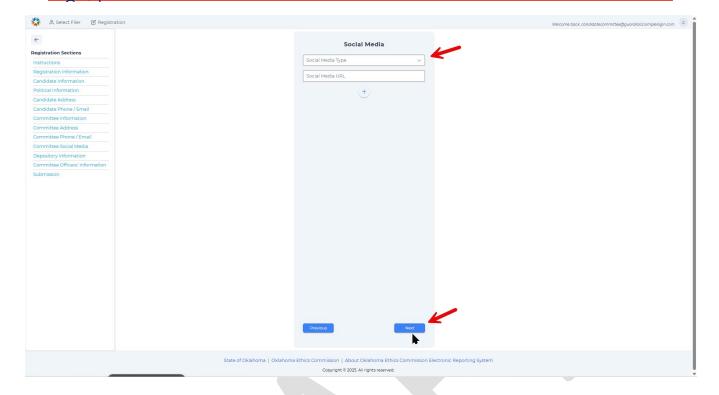
Figure 36 Candidate Committee - Committee Phone and Email Entry Enter Committee phone and/or email and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."



Committee Social Media Information

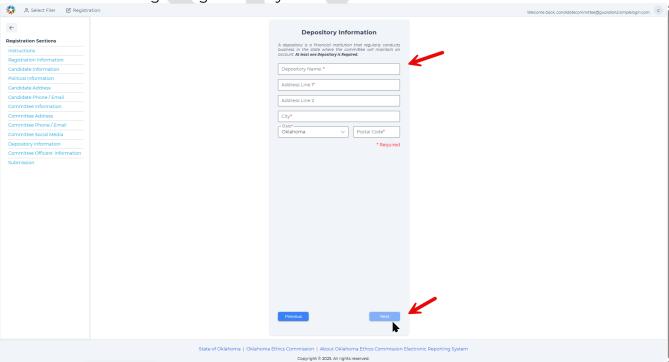
Figure 37 Candidate Committee - Committee Social Media Information Enter Committee social media details and select "Next/Save." Note: After entry, the "Next" button becomes "Next/Save."

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Depository Information

Figure 38 Candidate Committee - Depository Information Enter information regarding the entity's financial institution. At least one must be entered.



Committee Officers' Information

Figure 39 Candidate Committee - Committee Officers' Information
Users are required to add at least one Chairperson and one Treasurer. Select the list to begin entering the officers' information. If the user is the only officer, select the check box for "Candidate is only Officer" to default the candidate as both the Chairperson and Treasurer.

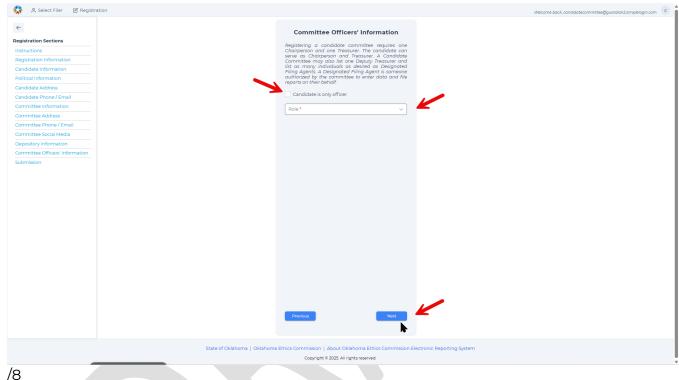


Figure 40 Candidate Committee - Committee Officers' Type Selection Begin by selecting the first type of officer to be entered. At the end of entry, you will be given an option to add additional officers.

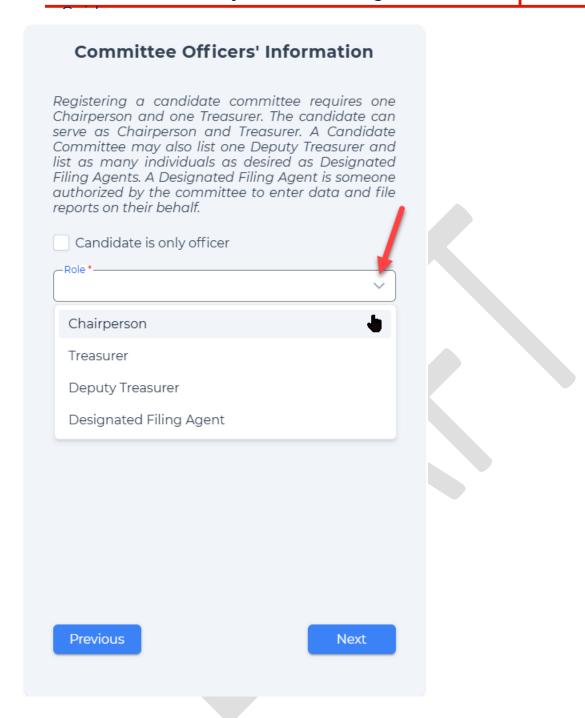
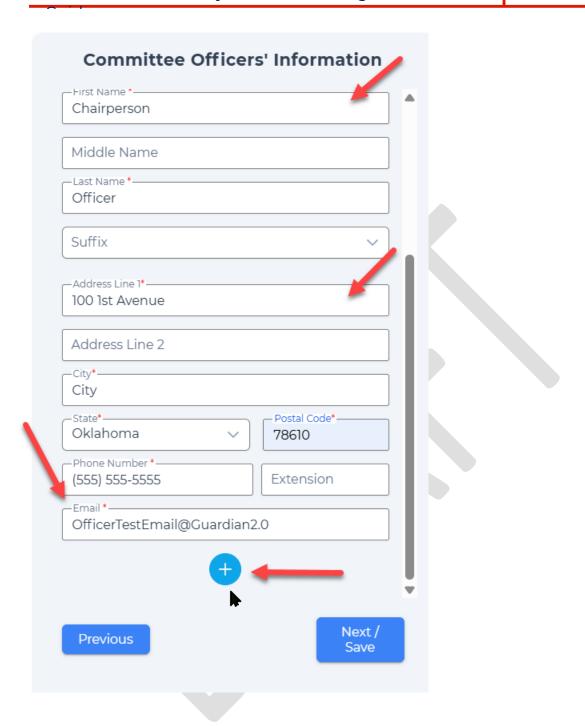


Figure 41 Candidate Committee Officer Information Enter the officer's information including name, address, and contact information. Before selecting next, determine if additional officers should be entered.

Committee Officers' Information	
Registering a candidate committee requires one Chairperson and one Treasurer. The candidate can serve as Chairperson and Treasurer. A Candidate Committee may also list one Deputy Treasurer and list as many individuals as desired as Designated Filing Agents. A Designated Filing Agent is someone authorized by the committee to enter data and file reports on their behalf. Candidate is only officer	
Role *	١.
Chairperson X V	/
First Name * Middle Name	ı
Last Name *	
Suffix V	
Address Line 1*	
Address Line 2	
Previous Next / Save	

Figure 42 Candidate Committee Officer Entry and Additional Entry Option
Once the entry of all required data has been entered, a plus sign within a blue circle provides the ability to add additional officers. This add button does not save your entry. When officer entry is complete, you must select "Next/Save" to save your entries.

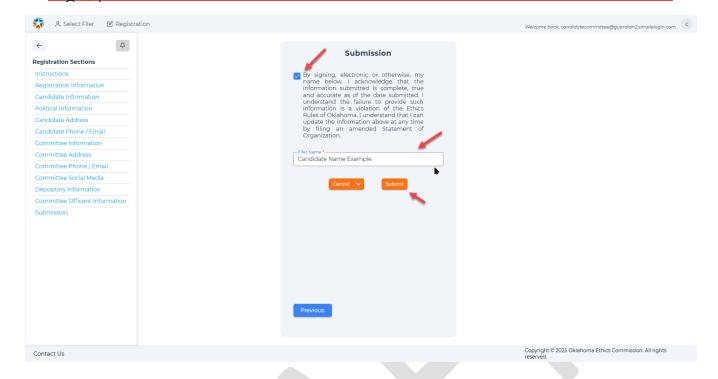


Submission

Figure 43 Sign and Submit the Registration

In order to submit the registration, users must acknowledge the accuracy of the submission by selection the check box, entering their name, and selecting "Submit." Once the registration has been submitted, a member of the Oklahoma Ethics Commission will review the registration for approval. The registration must be accepted (Conditional or Final) prior to entering transactions or filing reports.

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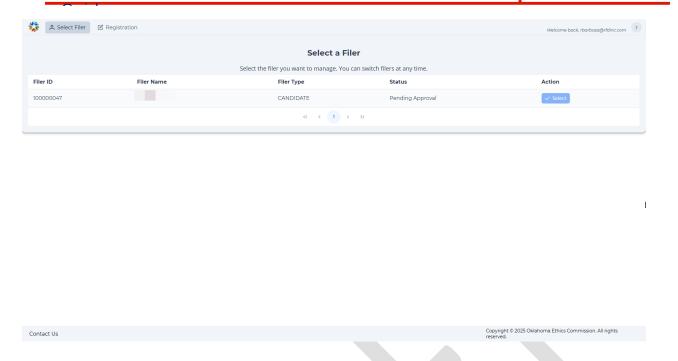


Registrations Awaiting Approval

Figure 44 Pending Registrations

Once the registration has been submitted, a member of the Oklahoma Ethics Commission will review the registration for approval. The registration must be approved (conditional or final) prior to entering transactions or filing reports. The status can be viewed via the "Select Filer" screen.

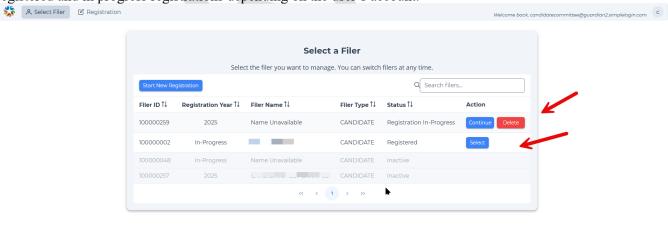
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VI. Filing Contributions or Expenditures

Figure 45 Approved Registration(s) Selection

Logging in after registering allows users to select which registered filer to work under. This list may contain registered and in progress registrations depending on the user's account.



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Figure 46 Filing Reports Option

Candidate Committee User can select this option to view, file, or amend expenditure reports for the selected registration.



Figure 47 Start Work on New Filing Event

When a user is first assigned a report, the option to start work allows them to begin reporting activities.

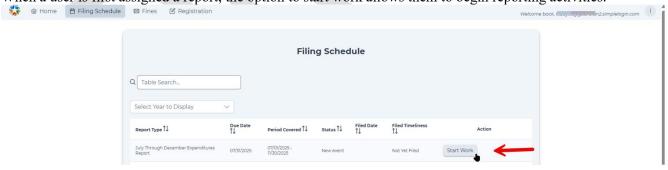


Figure 48 Begin Work Filing Contributions or Expenditures

Users should select the type of activity they wish to report from the distinct types of contributions, expenditures, transfers or refunds. Users are also able to dissolve their committee via this screen.

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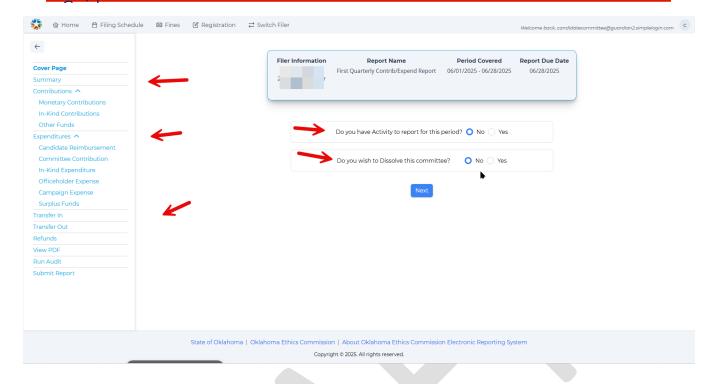
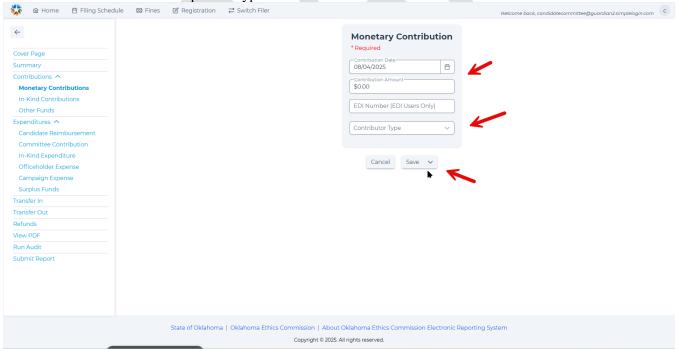


Figure 49 Complete the Contribution Activity

Fill in each of the fields based upon the type of contribution selected and "Save" the record.



Submitting Reports

Figure 50 Submit Report to Preview or Submit and E-sign

Users can select "Preview PDF" or "Submit & E-sign".

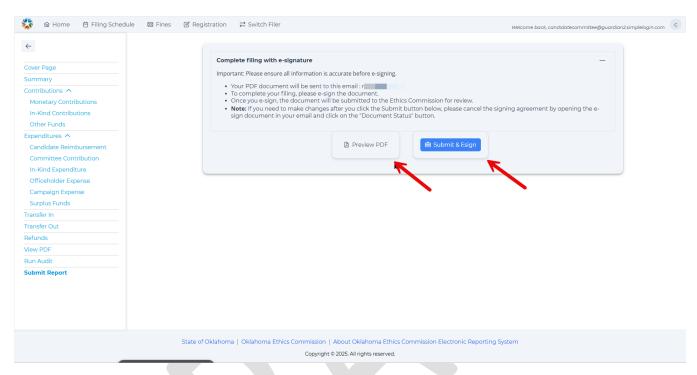


Figure 51 Complete E-sign of PDF

User can select to "Complete E-sign" which opens the PDF document, and can sign the PDF electronically, select Options, or decline if it was not complete/accurate.

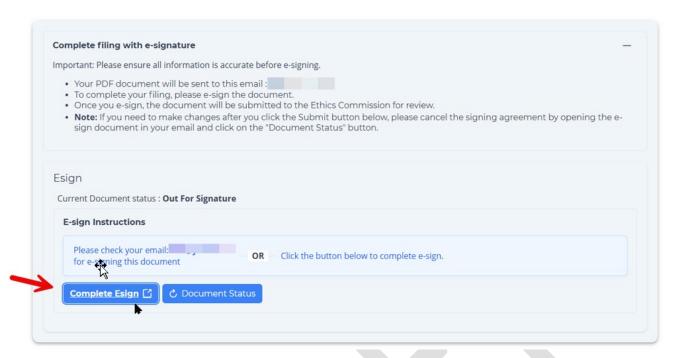


Figure 52 View and E-sign PDF



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CANDIDATE COMMITTEE CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORT

AMENDED: NO

Full Lecal Name of Candidate (Last, First, Middle)	Ethics Number				
Full Name of Committee					
Complete Name of Office Sought	Special or General Election Date 08/04/2025				
Type of Report null Third Quarterly Report of Contributions and Expenditures	Reporting Period: 06/01/2025 _ 07/31/2025				
NO ACTIVITY. This Committee did not receive any funds or contributions, incur and loans, or expend any funds					

x INO ACTIVE. This Committee did not receive any lunds or continuouslys, incur and loans, or expend any lund during this reporting period.

This Committee dissolved in accordance with the Ethics Rules and has no funds remaining.

	SCHEDULE SUMMARY	REPORTING PERIOD	AGGREGATE TOTAL
1.	REPORTING PERIOD BEGINNING BALANCE:	\$0.00	TOTAL
2.	Surpluse Funds Transferred from Prior Committee [Schedule B]	\$0.00	\$0.00
3.	Monetary Contributions from Individuals [Schedule A]	\$0.00	\$0.00
4.	Monetary Contributions from PACs [Schedule A]	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.	Monetary Contributions from a Political Party [Schedule A]	\$0.00	\$0.00
6.	All Other Funds [Schedule B]	\$0.00	\$0.00
7a.	Loans [Schedule C]	\$0.00	\$0.00
7b.	Loan Forgiveness [Schedule C]	\$0.00	\$0.00
8.	TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED:	\$0.00	\$0.00
9.	In Kind Contributions [Schedule D]	\$0.00	\$0.00
10.	Transfer of Assets from Prior Committee [Schedule B]	\$0.00	\$0.00
11.	TOTAL FUNDS AND IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED:	\$0.00	\$0.00
12.	Campaign Expenditures Made [Schedule E]	\$0.00	\$0.00
13.	Contributions to Candidate Committees [Schedule E]	\$0.00	\$0.00
14.	Officeholder Expenses [Schedule F]	\$0.00	\$0.00
15.	SurplusFunds [Schedule H or Schedule B for transfers to new committee]	\$0.00	\$0.00
16.	TOTOAL FUNDS EXPENED:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	In-Kind Expenditures, (Schedule E or Schedule H for In-Kind Sumlus Funds)	\$0.00	\$0.00

Figure 53 Click to Sign PDF

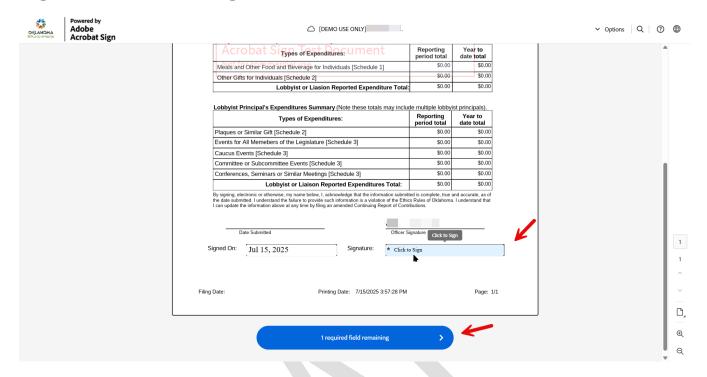


Figure 54 PDF Options to Decline and Other Options

