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THE STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION AWARDS PUBLIC GRANT PAYMENTS TO QUALIFYING CANDIDATES AND ANNOUNCES FILING AND PRIMARY APPLICATION DEADLINE

HARTFORD, CT, July 10, 2008 – The State Elections Enforcement Commission has awarded nine more public grants from the Citizens' Election Fund to candidates running in the November 2008 election. At the July 10, 2008 regular Commission meeting public grants were awarded to the following candidates: David Blackwell, Edward Krumeich, Mary Mushinsky, Toni Boucher, Kurt Cavanaugh, John Mazurek, Kim Fawcett, Jason Rojas and Patricia Dillon.

Candidates who elect to participate in the Program must file an Affidavit of Intent to Abide by Expenditure Limits and other program requirements. A candidate for nomination or election to the General Assembly must file an affidavit no later than four o'clock p.m. on the twenty-fifth (25th) day before the day of a primary, if applicable. For the 2008 General Assembly primaries, the deadline is 4:00 p.m. on July 18, 2008; which is also the deadline to apply for a primary Grant from the Citizens' Election Program. These deadlines also apply to nonparticipating candidates for their Affidavit of Intent Not to Abide by Expenditure Limits.

To date eight candidates for state senator and thirty-three candidates for state representative have been awarded public grants for the 2008 General Assembly elections.

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