



When do you have to terminate

Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

It is not unusual for a candidate committee, a political committee or fund, or a party unit to be inactive for a time. But there is a limit on how long a committee, fund, or party unit may stay registered without activity.

What is the time limit for a candidate committee?

A candidate committee must terminate its registration when (1) it has been six years since the last election that the candidate ran in, or (2) it has been six years since the day that the candidate left office.

What is the time limit for a political committee or fund or a party unit?

A political committee or fund or a party unit must terminate its registration when it has been four years since the reporting period in which the political committee or fund or the party unit made its last expenditure that it was required to report. A political fund in inactive status must terminate its registration when it has been four continuous years since the fund became inactive.

How will you know if your committee, fund, or party unit must terminate?

The Board will notify a committee, fund, or party unit if it must terminate. The committee, fund, or party unit then has 60 days to reduce its assets and cash to \$100 or less and send in a termination report.

What should you do if the candidate is planning to run again at the next election for the same office or if the political committee or fund or party unit is planning to be active in the next election?

If the candidate is planning to run again at the next election for the same office or if the political committee or fund or party unit is planning to be active in the next election, you can ask the Board for permission to keep the committee, fund, or party unit active beyond the six-year limit.