

# Campaign Contribution Limits 2019-2020 Election Cycle

Effective January 1, 2019<sup>1</sup>

	Recipient				
	Statewide Candidate <sup>2</sup>	Legislative Candidate <sup>3</sup>	Local Candidate <sup>4</sup>	PAC <sup>5</sup>	Political Party <sup>6</sup>
<b>Individual</b>	\$5,200 <sup>7</sup>	\$5,200 <sup>8</sup>	\$6,450 <sup>9</sup>	Unlimited <sup>10</sup>	Unlimited <sup>11</sup>
<b>Partnership</b>	\$5,200 <sup>12</sup>	\$5,200 <sup>13</sup>	\$6,450 <sup>14</sup>	Unlimited <sup>15</sup>	Unlimited <sup>16</sup>
<b>Candidate Committee</b>	Generally prohibited (except donation of surplus funds) <sup>17</sup>	Generally prohibited (except donation of surplus funds) <sup>18</sup>	Generally prohibited (except donation of surplus funds) <sup>19</sup>	Unlimited <sup>20</sup>	Unlimited <sup>21</sup>
<b>PAC without Mega PAC status (using non-corporate/ non-union funds)<sup>22</sup></b>	\$5,200 <sup>23</sup>	\$5,200 <sup>24</sup>	\$6,450 <sup>25</sup>	Unlimited <sup>26</sup>	Unlimited <sup>27</sup>
<b>PAC with Mega PAC status (using non-corporate/ non-union funds)<sup>28</sup></b>	\$10,400 <sup>29</sup>	\$10,400 <sup>30</sup>	\$12,900 <sup>31</sup>	Unlimited <sup>32</sup>	Unlimited <sup>33</sup>
<b>Political Party (using non-corporate/non-union funds)<sup>34</sup></b>	\$80,200 (to a party nominee only) <sup>35</sup>	\$8,200 (to a party nominee only) <sup>36</sup>	\$10,200 (to a party nominee only) <sup>37</sup>	Unlimited <sup>38</sup>	Unlimited <sup>39</sup>
<b>Corporation</b>	Prohibited <sup>40</sup>	Prohibited <sup>41</sup>	Prohibited <sup>42</sup>	Unlimited <sup>43</sup>	Unlimited <sup>44</sup>
<b>Limited Liability Company</b>	Prohibited <sup>45</sup>	Prohibited <sup>46</sup>	Prohibited <sup>47</sup>	Unlimited <sup>48</sup>	Unlimited <sup>49</sup>
<b>Trust, Joint Venture, Cooperative, or Other Unincorporated Organization or Association</b>	Prohibited <sup>50</sup>	Prohibited <sup>51</sup>	Prohibited <sup>52</sup>	Unlimited <sup>53</sup>	Unlimited <sup>54</sup>
<b>Union</b>	Prohibited <sup>55</sup>	Prohibited <sup>56</sup>	Prohibited <sup>57</sup>	Unlimited <sup>58</sup>	Unlimited <sup>59</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> In January of each odd-numbered year, the Secretary of State is required to increase the contribution limits specified in Title 16, Chapter 6, Article 1.2 by \$100. A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2). The Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission published a regulation in the Arizona Administrative Code, R2-20-111(F), that purports to limit the biennial contribution limit increase to \$80 in lieu of \$100. However, the Commission's regulation is contrary to A.R.S. § 16-941(B) and therefore unenforceable against privately-funded candidates.

<sup>2</sup> A statewide candidate is a candidate for the office of Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Corporation Commissioner or Mine Inspector. A.R.S. § 16-901(49).

<sup>3</sup> A legislative candidate is a candidate for the office of Representative in the State House of Representatives or Senator in the State Senate. A.R.S. § 16-901(36).

<sup>4</sup> A local candidate is a candidate for county, city, town, or district office.

<sup>5</sup> A "PAC" or "political action committee" is an entity or group that is required to register as a political action committee because it (1) is organized for the primary purpose of influencing the result of an election; and (2) knowingly received contributions or made expenditures (in any combination) of at least \$1,000 in connection with any election during a calendar year. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(41); 16-905(B).

<sup>6</sup> A "political party" is an officially recognized political party at the state, legislative district, county, city or town level that has qualified as a political party pursuant to Title 16, Chapter 5. A.R.S. § 16-901(42); *see also* A.R.S. §§ 16-801 to 16-828.

<sup>7</sup> A.R.S. § 16-912(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

<sup>8</sup> A.R.S. § 16-912(A)(2). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

<sup>9</sup> A.R.S. § 16-912(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

<sup>10</sup> A.R.S. § 16-912(B).

<sup>11</sup> A.R.S. § 16-912(B).

<sup>12</sup> A.R.S. § 16-917(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

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- <sup>14</sup> A.R.S. § 16-917(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>15</sup> A.R.S. § 16-917(B).
- <sup>16</sup> A.R.S. § 16-917(B).
- <sup>17</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(A); *see also* A.R.S. § 16-933(A)(3).
- <sup>18</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(A); *see also* A.R.S. § 16-933(A)(3).
- <sup>19</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(A); *see also* A.R.S. § 16-933(A)(3).
- <sup>20</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(E).
- <sup>21</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(E).
- <sup>22</sup> A “PAC” or “political action committee” is an entity or group that is required to register as a political action committee because it (1) is organized for the primary purpose of influencing the result of an election; and (2) knowingly received contributions or made expenditures (in any combination) of at least \$1,000 in connection with any election during a calendar year. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(41); 16-905(B). A PAC without “Mega PAC” status is permitted to contribute at the same levels as an individual. A.R.S. § 16-914(A); *see also* A.R.S. §§ 16-901(37) and 16-908 (defining conditions to achieve Mega PAC status).
- <sup>23</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>24</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(A)(2). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>25</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>26</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- <sup>27</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- <sup>28</sup> A “PAC” or “political action committee” is an entity or group that is required to register as a political action committee because it (1) is organized for the primary purpose of influencing the result of an election; and (2) knowingly received contributions or made expenditures (in any combination) of at least \$1,000 in connection with any election during a calendar year. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(41); 16-905(B). A PAC with “Mega PAC” status is permitted to contribute at twice levels as an individual or regular PAC. A.R.S. § 16-914(B). “Mega PAC” status means official recognition that a PAC has received contributions from five hundred or more individuals in amounts of ten dollars or more in the four-year period immediately before application to the Secretary of State. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(37) and 16-908.
- <sup>29</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(B).
- <sup>30</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(B).
- <sup>31</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(B).
- <sup>32</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- <sup>33</sup> A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- <sup>34</sup> A “political party” is an officially recognized political party at the state, legislative district, county, city or town level that has qualified as a political party pursuant to Title 16, Chapter 5. A.R.S. § 16-901(42); *see also* A.R.S. §§ 16-801 to 16-828.
- <sup>35</sup> A.R.S. § 16-915(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>36</sup> A.R.S. § 16-915(A)(2). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>37</sup> A.R.S. § 16-915(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- <sup>38</sup> A.R.S. § 16-915(D).
- <sup>39</sup> A.R.S. § 16-915(D).
- <sup>40</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>41</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>42</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>43</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- <sup>44</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- <sup>45</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>46</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>47</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>48</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- <sup>49</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- <sup>50</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(D).
- <sup>51</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(D).
- <sup>52</sup> A.R.S. § 16-913(D).
- <sup>53</sup> A.R.S. § 16-911(A).
- <sup>54</sup> A.R.S. § 16-911(A).
- <sup>55</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>56</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>57</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- <sup>58</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- <sup>59</sup> A.R.S. § 16-916(B).