

*United States Senate Select Committee on Ethics
Senate Code of Official Conduct*







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Political Fund Designees = PFDs

- Senator may Designate up to 3 PFDs
- At least 1 PFD must be in DC
- PFDs must have salary of at least \$10,000
- PFDs must file annual financial disclosure report regardless of salary level



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PFDs May Handle Funds

- principal campaign committee of the employing Senator
- for a committee or organization established and controlled by a Senator or group of Senators (*with the employing Senator's permission*)
- state or local committee of a national party (*with the employing Senator's permission*)

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Campaign Activity Restrictions

- No Campaign Activity in a Federal Building -18 U.S.C. § 607



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Exceptions for Certain Campaign-Related Activities

Limited minimal overlap of campaign and official activity:

- Official scheduler
- Official press secretary
- Referrals to campaign office



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Mixed Purpose (Official and Campaign)

- Letters
- Emails
- Phone Calls



- Travel expenses may be pro rated on a reasonable basis to accurately reflect the purpose of the trip
- FEC Contact:
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Moratoria

- 60 days prior to a primary or general election, a Senator is prohibited from certain activities.
- No moratorium if election is uncontested and no legal possibility for a write-in candidate.

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Contact the Committee

If you have any questions, please
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