CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE "GOOD CAUSE" REASONS FOR WAIVING LATE FILING FEES

The Monterey City Clerk's Office will consider requests to waive the payment of a late filing fine if the request is based on "good cause."

WAIVER REQUEST

A written request for waiver must be submitted to the Monterey City Clerk's Office. The waiver request must be signed by the person(s) required to file the particular statement or report upon which the late filing fine was assessed.

There are two categories of "good cause" for waiving late filing fines. These causes must relate to the person(s) required by law to file the late report or statement. The first category includes incapacitation for medical reasons, hospitalization, involvement in an accident, and death. The second category includes other unique, unintentional factors beyond the filer's control.

FIRST CATEGORY OF GOOD CAUSE:

INCAPACITATION FOR MEDICAL REASONS - Adequate documentation consists of a signed statement by a board-certified physician, psychologist, psychotherapist, or chiropractor identifying the filer, the nature of the filer's incapacitation, and the date(s) thereof. The statement must be on the medical provider's letterhead.

HOSPITALIZATION

Adequate documentation consists of a copy of the hospital bill or physician's statement showing the filer's name and the date(s) of the hospitalization.

ACCIDENT INVOLVEMENT

If the accident involvement causes the late filing, adequate documentation consists of the police report showing the filer's name, the date and time of the accident, and, if applicable, whether or not the vehicle was disabled. In addition, the filer must provide the City Clerk with a written statement explaining how the accident caused the late filing.

DEATH

Adequate documentation consists of a copy of the filer's death certificate, published death notice or obituary.

SECOND CATEGORY OF GOOD CAUSE

- The loss of unavailability of records due to a fire, flood, theft, earthquake or similar reason. Adequate documentation shall consist of a police, fire or insurance report indicating the date of the occurrence and the extent of the loss or damage.
- Other unique reasons. These include compelling reasons beyond the filer's control.