

Chapter 16 – Forms

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CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS LIMITS CHART

Donors \ Recipients	Candidate Committee	Political Action Committee (PAC) ¹	Slate Committee	Party Central Committee- State	Party Central Committee- Local	Ballot Issue Committee- State & Local	Legislative Party Caucus Committee
Individual/ Business Entity/ Union/ Political Club ²	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000³	\$6,000	Unlimited	\$6,000⁴
Authorized Candidate Campaign Committee	\$6,000	\$6,000	Unlimited⁵	\$6,000⁶	\$6,000⁷	Unlimited	Unlimited or \$6,000⁸
PAC	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	Unlimited	\$6,000
Slate Committee	\$24,000⁹	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	Unlimited	\$6,000
Party Central Committee- State	\$6,000¹⁰	\$6,000	\$6,000	N/A	Unlimited	Unlimited	\$6,000
Party Central Committee-Local	\$6,000¹¹	\$6,000	\$6,000	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	\$6,000
Ballot Issue Committee- State & Local	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	Unlimited	\$6,000
Legislative Party Caucus Committees	\$24,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	Unlimited	\$6,000

¹ This does not include PACs that are registered to make exclusively independent expenditures.

² See Guidance letter dated April 11, 2014. The Supreme Court held in *McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission* that aggregate contribution limits are invalid under the First Amendment. The Office of Attorney General has advised that, based on the pronouncement in the *McCutcheon* decision, the aggregate contribution limit in Election Law Article § 13-226(b)(2) is unconstitutional and may not be enforced. Therefore, a person may make an unlimited aggregate amount of total contributions, but not in excess of \$6,000 to any one political committee.

³ A person may make an unlimited donation to the administrative account of a central committee. The administrative account may not be used for electoral purposes.

⁴ A person may make an unlimited donation to the administrative account of a legislative party caucus committee. The administrative account may not be used for electoral purposes.

⁵ It is unlimited only if the transfer occurs between the candidate committee and the slate of which the candidate is a member, otherwise it is limited to the \$6,000 transfer amount.

⁶ When an authorized candidate campaign committee is closing, it may make an unlimited transfer of surplus funds.

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⁸ It is unlimited from candidates that the legislative party caucus committee seeks to elect, otherwise is it \$6,000.

⁹ The \$24,000 limit is only between the slate and its candidate members, otherwise a \$6,000 transfer limit applies.

¹⁰ In addition to the transfer, State central committees can make a coordinated campaign contribution to candidates in the amount of \$1 for every two registered voters in the State.

¹¹ In addition to the transfer, local central committees can make a coordinated campaign contribution to candidates in the amount of \$1 for every 2 registered voters in the county.