

# CANDIDATE'S REPORT

(to be filed by a candidate or his principal campaign committee)

1. Qualifying Name and Address of Candidate

MICHAEL MELERINE  
401 Market St Ste 1150  
Shreveport, LA 71101

2. Office Sought (Include title of office as well as parish, city, town and/or election district.)

State Representative  
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**Report Number:** 120249

**Date Filed:** 2/15/2024

**Report Includes Schedules:**

Schedule A-1  
Schedule B  
Schedule E-1

3. Date of Primary 10/14/2023

This report covers from 10/30/2023 through 12/31/2023

4. Type of Report:

180th day prior to primary       40th day after general  
 90th day prior to primary       Annual (future election)  
 30th day prior to primary       Supplemental (past election)  
 10th day prior to primary  
 10th day prior to general       Amendment to prior

5. FINAL REPORT if:

Withdrawn       Filed after the election AND all loans and debts paid  
AND no surplus funds remaining  
 Unopposed

6. Name and Address of Financial Institution  
(You are required by law to use one or more banks, savings and loan associations, or money market mutual fund as the depository of all campaign funds.)

ORIGIN BANK  
308 Market St  
Shreveport, LA 71101

7. Full Name and Address of Treasurer

9. Name of Person Preparing Report **MATTHEW KAY**

Daytime Telephone **318-423-2436**

10. WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the information contained in this report and the attached schedules is true and correct to the best of our knowledge, information and belief, and that no expenditures have been made nor contributions received that have not been reported herein, and that no information required to be reported by the Louisiana Campaign Finance Disclosure Act has been deliberately omitted.

This 15th day of February, 2024.

Michael Melerine  
Signature of Candidate/Chairperson  
(To be signed by Chairperson *only* if report by principal campaign committee)

318.228.1925  
Daytime Telephone

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Signature of Treasurer

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Daytime Telephone

8. FOR PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES ONLY  
a. Name and address of principal campaign committee, committee's chairperson, and subsidiary committees, if any (use additional sheets if necessary).

## SUMMARY PAGE

RECEIPTS	This Period
1. Contributions (Schedule A-1)	\$ 4,000.00
2. In-kind Contributions (Schedule A-2)	\$ 0.00
3a. Campaign paraphernalia sales of \$25 or less	\$ 0.00
3b. Raffle Ticket Sales of \$25 or less	\$ 0.00
<b>4. TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS</b> (Lines 1 + 2 +33a + 3b)	\$ 4,000.00
5. Other Receipts (Schedule A-3)	\$ 0.00
6. Loans Received (Schedule B)	\$ 0.00
7. Loan Repayments Received (Schedule D)	\$ 0.00
<b>8. TOTAL RECEIPTS</b> (Lines 4 + 5 + 6 + 7)	\$ 4,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS	This Period
9. Expenditures (Schedule E-1)	\$ 5,231.55
10. Other Disbursements (Schedule E-2)	\$ 0.00
11. Loan Repayments Made (Schedule B)	\$ 0.00
12. Funds Loaned (Schedule D)	\$ 0.00
<b>13. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b> (Lines 9 + 10 + 11 + 12)	\$ 5,231.55

FINANCIAL SUMMARY	Amount
14. Funds on hand at beginning of reporting period <small>(Must equal funds on hand at close from last report or -0- if first report for this election)</small>	\$ 61,212.89
15. <i>Plus</i> total receipts this period <small>(Line 8 above)</small>	\$ 4,000.00
16. <i>Less</i> total disbursements this period <small>(Line 13 above)</small>	\$ 5,231.55
17. <i>Less</i> in-kind contributions <small>(Line 2 above)</small>	\$ 0.00
18. Funds on hand at close of reporting period	\$ 59,981.34

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## SUMMARY PAGE (continued)

INVESTMENTS	Amount
19. Of funds on hand at beginning of reporting period (Line 14, above), amount held in investments ( <i>i.e.</i> , savings accounts, CD's, money market funds, etc.)	\$ 0.00
20. Of funds on hand at close of reporting period (Line 18, above), amount held in investments	\$ 0.00

SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS - for the reporting period	Amount
21. Candidate's personal funds (Use of personal funds as either a contribution or loan to the campaign should be reported on Schedules A-1 or B.)	\$ 0.00
22. Contributions received from political committees (From Schedules A-1 and A-2)	\$ 2,500.00
23. All proceeds from the sale of tickets to fundraising events (Receipts from the sale of tickets are contributions and must also be reported on Schedule A-1.)	\$ 0.00
24a. Proceeds from the sale of campaign paraphernalia (Total receipts from the sale of campaign paraphernalia reported on Schedule A-1 and line 3a, above.)	\$ 0.00
24b. Proceeds from the sale of raffle tickets (Total receipts from the sale of raffle tickets reported on Schedule A-1 and line 3b above.)	\$ 0.00
25. Expenditures from petty cash fund (Must also be reported on Schedule E-1.)	\$ 0.00

SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS - total for the election	This Election
26. Total amount of contributions received from political committees for both the primary and general elections combined since the first report filed for this election.	\$ 30,001.23

### NOTICE

The personal use of campaign funds is prohibited.\* The use of campaign funds must be related to a political campaign or the holding of a public office or party position. However, campaign funds may be used to reimburse a candidate for expenses related to his campaign or office, to pay taxes on the interest earned on campaign funds or to replace articles lost, stolen, or damaged in connection with a campaign.

Excess campaign funds may be returned to contributors on a pro rata basis, given as a charitable contribution as provided in 26 USC 170(c), given to a charitable organization as defined in 26 USC 501(c)(3), expended in support of or opposition to a proposition, political party, or candidacy of any person, or maintained in a segregated fund for use in future political campaigns or activity related to preparing for future candidacy to elective office.

\*The prohibition on the personal use of campaign funds does not apply to campaign funds received prior to July 15, 1988.

## SCHEDULE A-1: CONTRIBUTIONS (Other than In-Kind Contributions)

The following information must be provided for all contributors to your campaign during this reporting period, except for in-kind contributions. Information on in-kind contributions is reported on SCHEDULE A-2: IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS. In Column 1, check if the contributor is a political committee or a party committee. Any personal funds a candidate contributes to his campaign must be reported on this schedule. Personal funds a candidate *loans* to his campaign should be reported on Schedule B. For anonymous contributions, see SCHEDULE F. Totals and subtotals are *optional*. Completion of totals and subtotals may assist in calculating totals that must be reported on the Summary Page.

1. Name and Address of Contributor	2. Contributions this Reporting Period		3. Total this Election
	a. Date(s)	b. Amount(s)	
ASSOCIATED BRANCH PILOTS 3813 N Causeway Blvd, #100 Metairie, LA 70002  POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	11/06/2023	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
CONGRESSMAN GARRET GRAVES 138 Conant Street, Suite 401 Beverly, MA 01915  POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	11/10/2023	\$500.00	\$500.00
LOUISIANA REALTORS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE 821 Main Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802  POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	11/08/2023	\$500.00	\$500.00
THE TRAVELERS COMPANIES, INC. POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE One Tower Square Hartford, CT 06183  POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	12/27/2023	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
4. SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$4,000.00	N/A
5. TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)		\$ 4,000.00	N/A
6. CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL COMMITTEES:			
SUBTOTAL (this page)		<u>\$2,500.00</u>	TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule) <u>\$ 2,500.00</u>

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## SCHEDULE B: LOANS RECEIVED

The following information must be provided for each loan or line of credit received this reporting period, even if it has been repaid. Also, complete this schedule for loans received in prior periods that are still outstanding. Separate loans must be reported separately, even if from the same source. Any personal funds a candidate loans to his campaign must be reported on this schedule.

1. Name and address of lender MICHAEL MELERINE 401 Market St Ste 1150 Shreveport, LA 71101	2. a. Date* <u>4/6/2023</u> b. Interest rate <u>0.00</u> %(a.p.r.) c. Amount borrowed* ..... \$ <u>1,500.00</u> d. Balance due ..... \$ <u>1,500.00</u>  *For lines of credit, give the date the line of credit was first committed at Item 2a and list only the amount actually drawn at Item 2c. OPTIONAL: Total amount of credit available \$ _____						
3. Endorsers/Guarantors	4. Repayments this period <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 5px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%; text-align: center;">Date</th> <th style="width: 40%; text-align: center;">Principal</th> <th style="width: 30%; text-align: center;">Interest</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 20px;"> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Principal	Interest			
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1. Name and address of lender MICHAEL MELERINE 401 Market St Ste 1150 Shreveport, LA 71101	2. a. Date* <u>9/1/2023</u> b. Interest rate <u>0.00</u> %(a.p.r.) c. Amount borrowed* ..... \$ <u>20,000.00</u> d. Balance due ..... \$ <u>20,000.00</u>  *For lines of credit, give the date the line of credit was first committed at Item 2a and list only the amount actually drawn at Item 2c. OPTIONAL: Total amount of credit available \$ _____						
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## SCHEDULE E-1: EXPENDITURES

Use this schedule to report information on all campaign expenditures for this reporting period. An "expenditure" is any payment made for the purpose of supporting your election to public office and includes monies spent for the campaign's general operating expenses. Any payments made that are not "expenditures" should be reported on SCHEDULE E-2: OTHER DISBURSEMENTS. Totals and subtotals at bottom of page are *optional*. Completion of totals and subtotals may assist in calculating totals that must be reported on the Summary Page.

1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Expenditures this Reporting Period		
	a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
HILTON BATON ROUGE CAPITOL CENTER 201 Lafayette St Baton Rouge, LA 70801	12/06/2023	Lodging for Republican Delegation orientation	\$ 149.97
HILTON BATON ROUGE CAPITOL CENTER 201 Lafayette St Baton Rouge, LA 70801	12/08/2023	Lodging for Inauguration	\$ 145.84
KDM DIGITAL SOLUTIONS 2247 Urbandale St Shreveport, LA 71118	10/31/2023	Campaign consulting fees	\$ 1,645.85
KREWE MYSTIQUE DE LA CAPITALE PO Box 87160 Baton Rouge, LA 70817	11/06/2023	Tickets to ball for campaign purposes	\$ 742.00
ONE TEAM LA 601 W St Mary Blvd Lafayette, LA 70506	12/22/2023	Tickets to the Governor's Inaugural Ball	\$ 235.78
PETROLEUM CLUB OF SHREVEPORT 416 Travis St # 1500 Shreveport, LA 71101	10/31/2023	Rent for election night watch party venue	\$ 2,052.98
REPUBLICAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION PO Box 44422 Baton Rouge, LA 70804	11/30/2023	Republican Delegation Orientation fee	\$ 164.75
USPS 1925 E 70th St Shreveport, LA 71105	12/19/2023	Mailing expense	\$ 28.38
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			\$5,165.55
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			

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1. Name and Address of Recipient	2. Expenditures this Reporting Period		
	a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
USPS 1925 E 70th St Shreveport, LA 71105	12/26/2023	Stamps for postage	\$ 66.00
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			\$66.00
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			\$ 5,231.55

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