

CANDIDATE'S REPORT

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

1. Qualifying Name and Address of Candidate

MICHAEL G. (MIKE) STRAIN
19607 Hwy. 36
Covington, LA 70433

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

Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry
Statewide
Statewide

OFFICE USE ONLY

Report Number: 110756

Date Filed: 4/17/2023

Report Includes Schedules:

Schedule A-1
Schedule E-1

3. Date of Primary 10/14/2023

This report covers from 1/1/2023 through 4/7/2023

4. Type of Report:

X 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_____ Withdrawn _____ Filed after the election AND all loans and debts paid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.)

WHITNEY BANK
P O Box 4019
Gulfport, MS 39502

7. Full Name and Address of Treasurer
CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC
200B Greenleaves Blvd.
Mandeville, LA 70448

9. Name of Person Preparing Report CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC

Daytime Telephone 985-626-8299

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 17th day of April, 2023.

Michael G. (Mike) Strain
Signature of Candidate/Chairperson
(To be signed by Chairperson *only* if report by principal campaign committee)

985-626-8299
Daytime Telephone

Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC
Signature of Treasurer

985-626-8299
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)	\$ 19,250.00
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
4. TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (Lines 1 + 2 +33a + 3b)	\$ 19,250.00
5. Other Receipts (Schedule A-3)	\$ 0.00
6. Loans Received (Schedule B)	\$ 0.00
7. Loan Repayments Received (Schedule D)	\$ 0.00
8. TOTAL RECEIPTS (Lines 4 + 5 + 6 + 7)	\$ 19,250.00

DISBURSEMENTS	This Period
9. Expenditures (Schedule E-1)	\$ 12,734.71
10. Other Disbursements (Schedule E-2)	\$ 0.00
11. Loan Repayments Made (Schedule B)	\$ 0.00
12. Funds Loaned (Schedule D)	\$ 0.00
13. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (Lines 9 + 10 + 11 + 12)	\$ 12,734.71

FINANCIAL SUMMARY	Amount
14. Funds on hand at beginning of reporting period (Must equal funds on hand at close from last report or -0- if first report for this election)	\$ 600,071.99
15. <i>Plus</i> total receipts this period (Line 8 above)	\$ 19,250.00
16. <i>Less</i> total disbursements this period (Line 13 above)	\$ 12,734.71
17. <i>Less</i> in-kind contributions (Line 2 above)	\$ 0.00
18. Funds on hand at close of reporting period	\$ 606,587.28

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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)	\$ 0.00
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.	\$ 68,500.00

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)	
GARY BAUER 112 Herring Drive Slidell, LA 70461 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	03/23/2023	\$1,250.00	\$1,750.00
JERRY BILICEK 903 Mayo Shell Road Galena Park, TX 77547 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	04/04/2023	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
KEITH DESONIER 917 Contraband Lane Lake Charles, LA 70605 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	04/03/2023	\$500.00	\$500.00
EDWARD L DONALDSON, JR. 2960 East Gause Blvd. Slidell, LA 70461 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	03/20/2023	\$500.00	\$1,500.00
MRS. RANDELL A FLETCHER 4299 Hwy 71 Colfax, LA 71417 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	01/19/2023	\$500.00	\$500.00
JESSIE HAMILTON 1550 Spanish Lakes Ave. St. Gabriel, LA 70776 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	01/12/2023	\$250.00	\$250.00
4. SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$5,500.00	N/A
5. TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)			N/A
6. CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL COMMITTEES:			
SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$0.00	TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)

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	a. Date(s)	b. Amount(s)	
WARREN J HARANG, III P O Box 637 Labadieville, LA 70372 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	01/19/2023	\$500.00	\$1,500.00
CHRISTINA LOVINGOOD 6833 Orchard Path Drive Clemmons, NC 27012 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	03/27/2023	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
PLACID REFINING COMPANY LLC 1940 Hwy 1 N Port Allen, LA 70767 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	01/19/2023	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
HUGH PRICE 124 Oscar Lane Shreveport, LA 71105 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	02/25/2023	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
REPUBLICAN STATE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE Corporate Dollars Account 1201 F Street, NW, Suite 675 Washington, DC 20004 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	03/28/2023	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
RICKY J. RIVET FARMS Farm Account 7097 Morganza Hwy Morganza, LA 70759 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/> PARTY COMMITTEE? <input type="checkbox"/>	01/12/2023	\$500.00	\$500.00
4. SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$13,250.00	N/A
5. TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)			N/A
6. CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL COMMITTEES:			
SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$0.00	TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)

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

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1. Name and Address of Contributor	2. Contributions this Reporting Period		3. Total this Election
	a. Date(s)	b. Amount(s)	
KURT STRAWITZ 201 Windermere Way Madisonville, LA 70447 POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____	03/18/2023	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
4. SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$500.00	N/A
5. TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule)		\$ 19,250.00	N/A
6. CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL COMMITTEES:			
SUBTOTAL (this page)		\$0.00	TOTAL (complete only on last page of this schedule) \$ 0.00

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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)
ANEDOT, INC. 5555 Hilton Ave., Suite 106 Baton Rouge, LA 70808	04/04/2023	Anedot fees	\$ 294.60
CAL-MARINE FOODS, INC. P O Box 2960 Jackson, MS 39207	03/27/2023	Advertising for Easter Egg Hunt	\$ 221.40
CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC 200B Greenleaves Blvd. Mandeville, LA 70448	02/28/2023	Completion and filing of 2022 Campaign Finance Report	\$ 3,150.00
FACEBOOK 1601 Willow Road Menlo Park, CA 94025	01/14/2023	Facebook advertising	\$ 207.00
IPROMOTEU Dept 2419 P O Box 122419 Dallas, TX 75312	02/17/2023	Seed packets for advertising	\$ 803.74
LEBLANC EDWARD & ASSOCIATES 105 Wilbert Street Lafayette, LA 70506	01/14/2023	Fundraising	\$ 4,775.00
LOWRY'S PRINTING & COPYING 2004 W. Pinhook Road Lafayette, LA 70508	01/03/2023	Printing	\$ 120.36
MELE PRINTING 619 N. Tyler St Covington, LA 70433	02/20/2023	LDAF notecards and envelope printing	\$ 701.12
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			\$10,273.22
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			

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	a. Date(s)	b. Purpose(s)	c. Amount(s)
MOVEE MEDIA, LLC 7353 Highland Road, Suite B-242 Baton Rouge, LA 70808	01/30/2023	Media production	\$ 549.75
OFFICE DEPOT 4670 Johnston Street Lafayette, LA 70503	01/09/2023	Envelopes, labels and name badges for Fall Ball	\$ 159.93
OFFICE DEPOT 4670 Johnston Street Lafayette, LA 70503	01/09/2023	Envelopes, labels and name badges for Fall Ball	\$ 171.81
PONCHATOULA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL P O Box 446 Ponchatoula, LA 70454	04/01/2023	Winning Bidder for first flat of strawberries	\$ 500.00
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY 181 B. A. Little Drive Baton Rouge, LA 70813	03/04/2023	Advertisement	\$ 1,000.00
U S POSTAL SERVICE 101 Jefferson St Lafayette, LA 70501	01/09/2023	Postage stamps for sponsor tickets	\$ 60.00
WHITNEY BANK P O Box 4019 Gulfport, MS 39502	03/28/2023	Bank wire fee	\$ 20.00
3. SUBTOTAL (optional)			\$2,461.49
4. TOTAL (optional - complete only on last page of this schedule)			\$ 12,734.71

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