

Information Sheet on Reattributing an Excess Contribution Received for One Contributor to Another Contributor

The following examples assume that the candidate receiving the contributions is raising funds to run for a District office whose primary election is on October 11, 2025. Beginning January 1, 2025, the contribution limit for District offices is \$6,000 per election.

Reattributing a Contribution on Schedule A-1

On February 1, 2025, John Deaux gives the candidate a \$2,500 contribution. This is his first contribution to the candidate, so he is still under the contribution limit. If the contribution instrument does not specify for which election it is intended, then it is assumed to be intended for the next election in the candidate’s election cycle, i.e., the October 11, 2025 primary.

On August 29, 2025, John Deaux gives the candidate a \$5,000 contribution. Since he has already contributed \$2,500 to the candidate, he has exceeded the contribution limit by \$1,500. The following are a few scenarios on how the amount could be reattributed.

Example A – Reattributing a Portion of a Contribution where the New Contributor’s Name Appears on the Written Instrument by which the Contribution was Made

If the contribution was made by a written instrument imprinted with the names of more than one individual, the total contribution may be attributed among the named individuals unless the instrument clearly indicates otherwise or the candidate receives a separate writing signed by the contributors. Such attribution shall not cause any contributor to exceed the contributions limitation.

In this example, if the check that John Deaux gave to the candidate also had his wife’s name (Jane Deaux) written on it and the check did not specify that the contribution was 100% from John Deaux, then the candidate can attribute the excess \$1,500 to Jane Doe. If the reattribution happens on the same day as the contribution date, then it can be reported using two lines on Schedule A-1 as shown below.

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

1. Name and Address of Contributor	2. Contributions this Reporting Period		
John Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 8/29/2025	b. Contribution Amount \$3,500.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$6,000.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description	
Jane Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 8/29/2025	b. Amount \$1,500.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$1,500.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description	

If the excess contribution was not caught immediately and the reattribution occurred on a different day from the contribution date, then the reattribution will need to be reported using three lines on Schedule A-1: the first showing the full amount of the contribution, the second showing the date of the reattribution with a negative value for the amount being reattributed with the description field explaining the reason, and the third showing the amount being reattributed with the new contributor’s information and the date of the reattribution. If the reattribution date is in a different reporting period than the date of the contribution, then the last two lines will appear on a separate campaign finance report.

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1. Name and Address of Contributor	2. Contributions this Reporting Period		
John Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 8/29/2025	b. Contribution Amount \$5,000.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$7,500.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description	
John Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 9/1/2025	b. Amount \$-1,500.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$6,000.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description Reattributing excess contribution to Jane Deaux	
Jane Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 9/1/2025	b. Amount \$1,500.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$1,500.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description	

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Example B – Reattributing a Portion of a Contribution where the New Contributor’s Name DOES NOT Appear on the Written Instrument by which the Contribution was Made

If the contribution was made by a single contributor and the contribution would cause the contributor to exceed the contributions limitation, the candidate may ask the contributor whether the contribution was intended to be a joint contribution by more than one person. The candidate shall notify the contributor in writing of the amount of the excess contribution and that the contributor may request a refund of the contribution. If within sixty days following the date the contribution was made the contributors provide the candidate with a written reattribution of the contribution, signed by each contributor indicating the amount to be attributed to each contributor, the candidate may attribute the contribution as indicated.

In this example, if the \$5,000 check that John Deaux gave to the candidate only had his own name on it, then the candidate can ask the John Deaux whether the contribution was intended to be a joint contribution. If within sixty days of the contribution date, John Deaux responds with a written reattribution of the contribution signed by both John Deaux and Jane Deaux that explains that \$3,500 of the contribution was intended to be from John Deaux while the other \$1,500 was intended to be from Jane Deaux. Upon receipt of such written reattribution, the candidate can report the reattribution using three lines on Schedule A-1: the first showing the full amount of the contribution, the second showing the date of the reattribution with a negative value for the amount being reattributed with the description field explaining the reason, and the third showing the amount being reattributed with the new contributor’s information and the date of the reattribution. If the reattribution date is in a different reporting period than the date of the contribution, then the last two lines will appear on a separate campaign finance report.

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1. Name and Address of Contributor	2. Contributions this Reporting Period		
John Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 8/29/2025	b. Contribution Amount \$5,000.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$7,500.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description	
John Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 9/1/2025	b. Amount \$-1,500.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$6,000.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description Reattributing excess contribution to Jane Deaux	
Jane Deaux 123 Main St. Baton Rouge, LA 70801 <small>POLITICAL COMMITTEE? _____ PARTY COMMITTEE? _____</small>	a. Date 9/1/2025	b. Amount \$1,500.00	c. Total this Election Cycle \$1,500.00
	d. Designated Election	e. Description	