

1 08 NCAC 21 .0905 is proposed for adoption as follows:

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3 **08 NCAC 21 .0905 NOTICE AND WRITTEN RESPONSE**

4 (a) Within 15 calendar days of receiving a complaint alleging that a statement filed with the State Board does not
5 conform to Article 22A or Article 22M or to the truth, or that an individual, candidate, treasurer, political committee,
6 referendum committee, media, or other entity has failed to file a statement required by this Article, the State Board
7 shall notify the respondent that a complaint has been received.

8 (b) The State Board may temporarily withhold notice under Paragraph (a) if release of the information would
9 materially compromise a criminal investigation.

10 (c) Before any action is taken requiring compliance, the respondent shall be provided with a copy of the complaint
11 and an opportunity to submit a written response. The respondent shall submit the written response no later than 30
12 calendar days after receiving a written request for a response from the State Board. The Executive Director may extend
13 the deadline in this Paragraph for up to 60 calendar days upon good cause shown.

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15 *History Note: Authority G.S. 163-278.21; 163-278.22; 163-278.23;*

16 *Eff. November 1, 2026.*