EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

TO: Members, Commission on Ethics

FROM: Chris Anderson
Executive Director

DATE: November 20, 2019

ADVISORY OPINIONS

The Commission on Ethics issued seven advisory opinions in October. It has rendered 2,665 opinions since its inception in 1974.

LITIGATION

Marcos Villanueva v. Florida Commission on Ethics, First District Court of Appeal Case No. 1D19-0089.

Villanueva, a member of the City Commission of the City of Sweetwater and a former candidate for the City Commission, is appealing the Commission's Final Order rendered on December 12, 2018. The order found that Mr. Villanueva violated the financial disclosure statute, Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes, and recommended a civil penalty of $500 and public censure and reprimand. All briefs have been filed.

FINANCES

As of October 31, we've spent $687,299.87 (26.47%) of our appropriation with 33.33% of the FY gone.

PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS / PUBLICATIONS / HONORS

On November 12, Gray provided a two-hour training to the Broward County School Board and School Administrators. On November 19, Caroline gave a two-hour lecture at the Florida Association of Counties' conference, in Fort Lauderdale. Also, attached please find a thank-you note to Caroline regarding her recent presentation to the Tenth Judicial Circuit Public Defenders Office.

PENDING ORDERS IMPOSING PENALTIES

GOVERNOR
Comp. No. 15-178, In re Michael S. Murphy (Final Order 08/03/16).
Comp. No. 17-108, In re Joel Davis (Final Order 06/13/18).
Comp. No. 17-088, In re Cheryl Thomas-Hughes (Final Order 12/12/18).
Comp. Nos. 16-072, 16-079, and 17-017 (cons.), In re Shane Crawford (Final Order 12/12/18).
Comp. Nos. 16-113 and 17-016 (cons.), In re Ricky Thompson (Final Order 12/12/18).
Comp. No. 17-050, In re Jere Stambaugh (Final Order 12/12/18).
Comp. No. 17-055, In re Marcos Villanueva (Final Order 12/12/18) (pending appeal).
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Comp. No. 17-013, In re Nancy Oakley (Final Order 01/30/19).
Comp. No. 17-123, In re Derryl O'Neal (Final Order 01/30/19).
Comp. No. 16-192, In re Elliot Cohen (Final Order 03/13/19).
Comp. No. 17-053, In re Richard B. Romanoff, Jr. (Final Order 03/13/19).
Comp. No. 17-106, In re Ricardo "Ric" Fernandez (Final Order 03/13/19).
Comp. No. 18-140, In re Alfredo Santamaria (Final Order 03/13/19).
Comp. No. 16-061, In re Janet McDonald (Final Order 06/12/19).
Comp. Nos. 17-115, 18-064, 18-075, and 18-079 (cons.), In re Samuel Stevens (Final Order 06/12/19).
Comp. No. 17-146, In re Andrew Gillum (Final Order 06/12/19).
Comp. No. 18-061, In re Thomas McQueen (Final Order 06/12/19).
Comp. Nos. 18-108 and 18-119 (cons.), In re Josh Santos (Final Order 06/12/19).
Comp. No. 17-178, In re Charles C. Pesano (Final Order 07/31/19).
Comp. Nos. 18-106 and 18-117, In re William Kruse (Final Order 07/31/19).
Comp. Nos. 18-107 and 18-118, In re Barbara H. Brooke (Final Order 07/31/19).
Comp. Nos. 18-111 and 18-122, In re Jared B. Reddick (Final Order 07/31/19).
Referral No. 15-002R, In re Matt Shirk (Final Order 09/18/19).
Complaint No. 17-064, In re Catherine Drew (Final Order 09/18/19).
Complaint No. 18-128, In re Adam Pollack (Final Order 09/18/19).
Complaint No. 18-134, In re Robert M. Lange (Final Order 09/18/19).
Complaint No. 18-170, In re Bruce Greenlee (Final Order 09/18/19).
Complaint No. 16-062, In re Dennis McDonald (Final Order 10/30/19).

HOUSE
Comp. No. 18-026, In re Kim Daniels (Final Order 01/30/19).

**PENDING ACTION ON STATUTORILY-GENERATED LOBBYING FIRM AUDIT MATTERS (GOVERNOR AND CABINET)**

Comp. No. 16-017, In re Dean Mead (Probable Cause 01/27/17).
Comp. No. 16-018, In re Buigas and Associates (Probable Cause 01/27/17).
Comp. No. 16-019, In re DDarling Consulting (Probable Cause 01/27/17).
Comp. No. 16-174, In re Kathy Till and Associates, Inc., (Probable Cause 08/02/17).
Comp. No. 16-173, In re Johnson Strategies, LLC (Probable Cause 1213/17)
Comp. No. 16-175, In re Sayfie Law Firm (Probable Cause 10/25/17).
Comp. No. 17-132, In re Andrew J. Liles (Probable Cause 08/01/18).
Comp. No. 17-134, In re Lester Abberger (Probable Cause 08/01/18).
Comp. No. 17-135, In re Pruitt and Associates (Probable Cause 08/01/18).
Comp. No. 17-136, In re Wilson and Associates, LLC (Probable Cause 08/01/18).
Comp. No. 17-137, In re TC Wolfe (Probable Cause 08/01/18).
Comp. No. 19-031, In re Impact GR (Probable Cause 09/18/19).
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CAROLINE:

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR MAKING THE LONG TRIP FROM TALLAHASSEE TO SPEAK WITH OUR ATTORNEYS AND STAFF. I KNOW THAT IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING THERE WERE MANY WHO THOUGHT THE PRESENTATION WOULD BE BOTH DRY AND OF LITTLE VALUE. YOU PROVED THEM WRONG ON BOTH COUNTS. I HAVE HEARD NOTHING BUT PRAISE OVER YOUR PRESENTATION STYLE AND THE VALUE OF THE INFORMATION. I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH.

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