

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

TO: Members, Commission on Ethics

**FROM: Chris Anderson
Executive Director**

DATE: March 31, 2021

ADVISORY OPINIONS

The Commission on Ethics issued two advisory opinions from its March 5 meeting. It has rendered 2,683 opinions since its inception in 1974.

LITIGATION IN COURTS

Nothing to report at this time.

FINANCES

As of February 28, we've spent \$1,498,480.52 (58.87%) of our appropriation, with 66.67% of the FY gone.

PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS / PUBLICATIONS / HONORS

Gray, Caroline, and Steve each presented an hour-long virtual lecture during the 2021 Ethics, Sunshine Law, and Public Records Conference, sponsored by The Florida Bar, on March 12. On March 18, Caroline gave an hour and a half lecture to the Board of Trustees of the University of North Florida. On February 19, Steve gave a three-hour presentation for the Florida County Clerks and Comptrollers, where Commissioner Gaetz also presented.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS, 2021 SESSION

This item will be discussed at the March 5 Commission meeting.

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).

Complaint No. 16-062, In re Dennis McDonald (Final Order 10/30/19).

Complaint No. 18-211, In re Thomas L. Clyce (Final Order 02/10/21)

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. 16-170, In re Capitol Group, Inc., (Probable Cause 10/25/17).
- Comp. No. 16-173, In re Johnson Strategies, LLC (Probable Cause 12/13/17)
- 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).
- Comp. No. 20-055, In re All Florida Solutions, Inc. (Probable Cause 03/10/21).
- Comp. No. 20-056, In re Carr Allison (Probable Cause 03/10/21).
- Comp. No. 20-058, In re Pyle and Associates (Probable Cause 03/10/21).