

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**TO:** Members, Commission on Ethics

**FROM:** Chris Anderson   
Executive Director

**DATE:** February 17, 2021

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### ADVISORY OPINIONS

The Commission on Ethics issued one advisory opinion from its February 5 meeting. It has rendered 2,681 opinions since its inception in 1974.

### LITIGATION IN COURTS

Nothing to report at this time.

### FINANCES

As of January 31, we've spent \$1,345,497 (52.86%) of our appropriation, with 58.33% of the FY gone.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS / PUBLICATIONS / HONORS

Kerrie conducted a virtual training for the Department of Revenue's Continuing Education Workshop for Tax Collectors and Property Appraisers on January 20; she also will be speaking via Zoom at the Department of Revenue's certification course for Tax Collectors and staff—"Duties and Responsibilities of Florida Tax Collectors." In addition, Kerrie recently was selected to serve the next two years as a Program Committee Co-Chair for the Council on Governmental Ethics Laws (COGEL), an international organization whose members work in the fields of governmental ethics, freedom of information, elections, lobbying, and campaign finance. The Program Committee meets for two days in March to set the educational content for COGEL's Annual Conference held each year in December. This year's Conference will be held in Denver, with the 2022 Conference set for Montreal. Kerrie previously served as a member of the Program Committee, for the past two years. Caroline and Gray will be presenting for two hours at the Property Appraisers Association of Florida (PAAF) convention on February 18. On February 23, at an event organized by the Florida League of Cities, Gray will be presenting a ninety-minute lecture to pension trustees.

### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS, 2021 SESSION

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

## **RECOMMENDED PENALTIES IMPOSED**

Governor DeSantis has imposed the penalties recommended in final orders of the Commission on Ethics in the following matters:

- Comp. No. 17-013, In re Nancy Oakley (Final Order 01/30/19).
- 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 Nos. 17-113, 17-127, 18-034, 18-076, and 18-080 (cons.), In re Wanda Range (Final Order 01/29/20).
- Complaint No. 17-159, In re Anthony Sanders (Final Order 03/11/20).
- Complaint No. 18-208, In re Sandra L. Bradbury (Final Order 03/11/20).
- Complaint No. 18-160, In re Theodore R. Schindler, II (Final Order 06/10/20).
- Complaint No. 18-164, In re Dana Johnson (Final Order 06/10/20).
- Complaint No. 19-091, In re Ryan Boylston (Final Order 06/10/20).
- Complaint No. 19-164, In re Peter Antonacci (Final Order 06/10/20).
- Complaint No. 19-062, In re Brenda D. Forman (Final Order 07/29/20).
- Complaint No. 18-131, In re Stockton Reeves (Final Order 07/29/20).
- Complaint No. 19-216, In re Julia Botel (Final Order 12/09/20).

## **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).

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- 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).