

BEFORE THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re William J. Brown

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2023 CE Form 1

ORDER DECLARING FINANCIAL
DISCLOSURE FINE UNCOLLECTIBLE

This matter came before the Commission on Ethics meeting in public session on Friday, October 23, 2026, in the matter of William J. Brown. Section 112.3145(8)(f), Florida Statutes, assesses an automatic fine of \$25 per day on each person who is required to file an annual Statement of Financial Interests (CE Form 1), but whose form is not timely filed, up to a maximum of \$1,500.

1. William J. Brown served as an employee of the Criminal Conflict & Civil Regional Counsel, 2nd District, and, as such, was required to file a 2023 CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, no later than September 1, 2024.

2. William J. Brown's CE Form 1 was not received, resulting in an automatic fine of \$1,500.00.

3. Under Section 112.3145(8)(i), Florida Statutes, any fine that is not waived by a Final Order of the Commission, and remains unpaid more than 60 days after the Notice of Payment Due is transmitted, must be submitted to the Department of Financial Services as a claim, debt or other obligation owed to the state.

4. Under Section 17.20(3)(b), Florida Statutes, an agency may request an exemption when assignment to a collection agency would be inappropriate. The agency must provide a written request, explaining the reasons the agency believes the account should be precluded from collections.

5. In September of 2026, internet research confirmed the passing of William J. Brown.

6. On its own motion, the Commission determines that the \$1,500.00 fine assessed against William J. Brown is uncollectible and requests that the Department of Financial Services consider it to be exempt from collection.

DONE and ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in public session on Friday, October 23, 2026.

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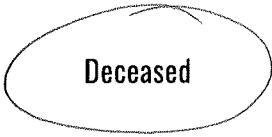
Jeremy M. Rodgers
Chair

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cc: Claims for Collection, Department of Financial Services

MEMBER PROFILE

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Deceased

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