

Amendment 2016-3
Campaign Finance, Conflicts of Interest and Lobbyist Rules

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 2.71 is amended
2 to read as follows:

3 A candidate committee shall have a Chair and a Treasurer,
4 who may be the same person and who shall serve at the pleasure
5 of the candidate. The candidate may be either the Chair or
6 Treasurer of his or her candidate committee, or both, but a
7 candidate may not be an officer of any other candidate committee
8 or any political action committee. A candidate committee may
9 designate a Deputy Treasurer, who may perform the duties of the
10 Treasurer in the Treasurer's absence and who also shall serve at
11 the candidate's pleasure. The candidate may be the Deputy
12 Treasurer of his or her committee. The Treasurer and Deputy
13 Treasurer shall be residents of Oklahoma.

14 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 2.107 is amended
15 to read as follows:

16 (A) Any person other than an individual, including a
17 political action committee, that makes an independent
18 expenditure of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more in the
19 aggregate at least fifteen (15) days prior to any election shall
20 be required to file a report with the Commission at the same
21 time that candidate committees are required to file pre-election
22 reports for the applicable election.

1 (B) Any person other than an individual, including a political
2 action committee, that makes an independent expenditure of Five
3 Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more in the aggregate during the
4 period beginning no more than fourteen (14) days prior to any
5 election and ending on the day of the election shall make a
6 report to the Commission no later than the business day
7 following the day the expenditure is made.

8 (C) Each report filed by a person other than a political
9 action committee shall include the name and address of the
10 person making the independent expenditure and the name, street
11 address, telephone number, and office or title of the individual
12 filing the report.

13 (D) Each report filed shall include the name of the
14 political action committee or the person making the independent
15 expenditure; the amount, date and a brief description or
16 statement of each independent expenditure; and the name and
17 office of the candidate supported or opposed, indicating whether
18 the candidate was supported or opposed.

19 (E) If the person making the independent expenditure, other
20 than a political action committee, received funds from any other
21 person for the purpose of making an independent expenditure or
22 expenditures, the report shall include the name, address and
23 principal business activity of each person contributing funds in
24 excess of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) in the aggregate and the amount

1 of any such contribution or contributions that have not been
2 previously reported, together with a cumulative total of all
3 contributions made by each person since the first report was
4 filed for the election for which the independent expenditure is
5 being made. As used in this section, "for the purpose of" means
6 that the funds are either (1) received by an organization or
7 corporation in response to a solicitation specifically
8 requesting funds to pay for an independent expenditure or
9 electioneering communication or (2) specifically designated for
10 independent expenditures or electioneering communications by the
11 donor.

12 (F) If the person making the independent expenditure is a
13 non-profit corporation that has not been officially approved by
14 the United States Internal Revenue Service for tax exempt status
15 under Section 501(c) of Title 26 of the United States Code as it
16 currently exists or as it may be amended, the report shall
17 include the name, address and principal business activity of
18 each person contributing funds in excess of Fifty Dollars
19 (\$50.00) in the aggregate to the corporation during the current
20 calendar year and the preceding calendar year and the amount of
21 any such contribution or contributions that have not been
22 previously reported, together with a cumulative total of all
23 contributions made by each person since the first report was

1 filed for the election for which the independent expenditure is
2 being made.

3 ~~(F)~~ (G) Reports required by this section shall not relieve
4 the person making the report from filing other reports required
5 by these Rules.

6 (H) If any person makes, or contracts to make, any
7 expenditure for an independent expenditure and such expenditure
8 is coordinated with a candidate or a candidate committee in any
9 way, the expenditure shall be considered as a contribution to
10 the candidate committee and as an expenditure by the candidate
11 committee.

12 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 2.108 is amended
13 to read as follows:

14 (A) Any person other than an individual, including a
15 political action committee, that makes an electioneering
16 communication of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more in
17 the aggregate at least fifteen (15) days prior to any election
18 shall be required to file a report with the Commission at the
19 same time that candidate committees are required to file pre-
20 election reports for the applicable election.

21 (B) Any person other than an individual, including a
22 political action committee, that makes an electioneering
23 communication of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more in
24 the aggregate during the period beginning no more than fourteen

1 (14) days prior to any election and ending on the day of the
2 election shall make a report to the Commission no later than the
3 business day following the day the electioneering communication
4 is made.

5 (C) Each report filed by a person other than a political
6 action committee shall include the name and address of the
7 person making the electioneering communication and the name,
8 street address, telephone number, and office or title of the
9 individual filing the report.

10 (D) Each report filed shall include the name of the
11 political action committee or the person making the
12 electioneering communication; the amount, date and a brief
13 description or statement of each electioneering communication,
14 and the name and office of the candidate or candidates
15 identified in the electioneering communication.

16 (E) If the person making the electioneering communication,
17 other than a political action committee, received funds from any
18 other person for the purpose of making an electioneering
19 communication or communications, the report shall include the
20 name, address and principal business activity of each person
21 contributing funds in excess of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) in the
22 aggregate and the amount of any such contribution or
23 contributions that have not been previously reported, together
24 with a cumulative total of all contributions made by each person

1 since the first report was filed for the election for which the
2 electioneering communication is being made. As used in this
3 section, "for the purpose of" means that the funds are either:
4 (1) received by an organization or corporation in response to a
5 solicitation specifically requesting funds to pay for an
6 electioneering communication or independent expenditure or (2)
7 specifically designated for electioneering communications or
8 independent expenditures by the donor.

9 (F) If the person making the electioneering communication
10 is a non-profit corporation that has not been officially
11 approved by the United States Internal Revenue Service for tax
12 exempt status under Section 501(c) of Title 26 of the United
13 States Code as it currently exists or as it may be amended, the
14 report shall include the name, address and principal business
15 activity of each person contributing funds in excess of Fifty
16 Dollars (\$50.00) in the aggregate to the corporation during the
17 current calendar year and the preceding calendar year and the
18 amount of any such contribution or contributions that have not
19 been previously reported, together with a cumulative total of
20 all contributions made by each person since the first report was
21 filed for the election for which the electioneering
22 communication is being made.

1 ~~(F)~~ (G) Reports required by this section shall not relieve
2 the person making the report from filing other reports required
3 by these Rules.

4 (H) If any person makes, or contracts to make, any
5 expenditure for an electioneering communication and such
6 expenditure is coordinated with a candidate or a candidate
7 committee in any way, the expenditure shall be considered as a
8 contribution to the candidate committee and as an expenditure by
9 the candidate committee.

10 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 4.16 is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 Any elected state officer or any state officer or employee
13 approved by the chief administrative officer of the agency to
14 represent the agency at a professional, civic or community event
15 may accept a meal at the event provided by the sponsoring
16 organization. In such instances, the state officer or employee
17 also may accept a token or souvenir gift or memento
18 commemorating the occasion provided the item given is of a value
19 commensurate with the occasion and is neither monetary or a cash
20 equivalent. A professional, civic or community event shall not
21 include political events. An employee for an elected state
22 officer may accept a meal at a political event he or she attends
23 with the elected state officer as long as he or she is not on
24 state time.

1 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 5.13 is amended
2 to read as follows:

3 A lobbyist principal may give a plaque, trophy or similar
4 item suitable for display no more than once per year to a state
5 officer or employee in acknowledgement of the officer or
6 employee's public service, provided the value of the item is no
7 more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), and the gift is
8 reported on the Legislative Lobbyist Report. No state officer
9 or employee may accept more than one such gift during any
10 calendar year from the same lobbyist principal. A legislative
11 liaison, legislative lobbyist, executive lobbyist or lobbyist
12 principal may provide a gift of any single item with a fair
13 market value not exceeding Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to any state
14 officer or employee, provided that a legislative liaison,
15 legislative lobbyist, executive lobbyist or lobbyist principal
16 shall not make more than one such gift during any calendar year
17 to any state officer or employee.