



OKLAHOMA ETHICS COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

The Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma will hold a public meeting October 13, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. The Commission will meet at the Oklahoma State Capitol, Room G-3, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

AGENDA

1. **Call to order and determination of quorum present.** Chair Johnson
2. **Open Meeting Act Compliance.** Chair Johnson
3. **Introductions and Announcements.** Chair Johnson
4. **Disqualification & Recusal Open Session.** General Counsel McCord
Announcement(s) and/or action for Ethics Rule 1.6 on Ethics Commissioner disqualification or recusal in any matter listed on the Commission agenda other than Executive Session.
5. **Minutes.** Consideration, discussion, and possible action on minutes for the special meeting and executive session held September 7, 2023. Chair Johnson
6. **Executive Director Position Search.** Chair Johnson
 - a. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on the candidate search for the position of Executive Director of the Commission and to accept the previously submitted applications of Applicants 1 through 10 received between August 2nd and September 15th as applicants for the purposes of the candidate search.
 - b. Consideration, discussion and possible action regarding the job qualifications, job description, and job posting for the position of Executive Director of the Ethics Commission.
 - c. Consideration, discussion and possible action regarding the creation of an advisory search committee to facilitate the Commission's job search for its next Executive Director, whose functions will include evaluation of applicants as to their qualifications for the position of Executive Director of the Ethics Commission as set forth in the job posting, the interview of applicants identified by the committee, and making recommendation(s) to the Commission regarding the applicants. Possible search committee members include current Commissioners, former Commissioners, and the Executive Director.
7. **Determination to Enter Executive Session.** Chair Johnson
Consideration, discussion, and possible action on entering closed/executive session as authorized and required by Title 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(4) and (B)(7) of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and Constitutional Ethics Rules 6.5, 6.6, and 6.9 for the purpose of discussing matters identified in agenda item 8.
 - a. **Statement by Attorney.** The information to be discussed in agenda item 8 requires confidential communications between the Ethics Commission and its attorney concerning pending investigations, claims, or actions, where disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the Ethics Commission to process the claims or conduct the pending

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investigations, litigation, or proceedings in the public interest. In addition, disclosure of any of the items to be discussed would violate confidentiality requirements of state law.

- b. Determination, pursuant to Counsel's advice as set forth above, to go into executive session in the Ethics Commission office in Room G-27 of the Oklahoma State Capitol.

8. Executive Session. Chair Johnson

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a. CASES

1. Case No. 2020-01, alleging violations of Campaign Finance Ethics Rule 2 and Conflicts of Interest Ethics Rule 4
2. Case No. 2022-03, alleging violations of Campaign Finance Ethics Rule 2

b. COMPLAINTS

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2. C-22-20
3. C-22-43

9. Action to return to open session. Chair Johnson

10. Disqualification & Recusal for Executive Session. General Counsel McCord

Announcement(s) and/or action for Ethics Rule 1.6 on Ethics Commissioner disqualification or recusal in any matter listed for discussion in Executive Session in agenda item 8.

11. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on the following items considered in executive session. Chair Johnson

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12. **2023 & 2024 Special Election Contribution Limits.** Consideration, discussion, and possible action to adjust the individual contribution limit for candidate committees for special elections in 2023 and 2024 special election held prior to the 2024 regular election in accordance with [Ethics Rule 2.37](#). This would bring the contribution limit in Rule 2.37 that applies to those elections to \$3,300.
13. **Consideration, discussion, and possible action on the FY 2025 Oklahoma Ethics Commission Budget Request.** Director Kemp
14. **Consideration, discussion, and possible action regarding The Guardian System contract and future of reporting with the Commission.** Chair Johnson
15. **Executive Director’s Report.** Director Kemp
 - a. Commission financials including revenue and expenditures for September 2023
 - b. Compliance Efforts, Presentations, and Compliance Report
16. **Chair Election.** Nomination, consideration, and possible action on election of Commission Chair beginning the adjournment of this meeting through the adjournment of the meeting following September 30, 2024.
17. **Vice Chair Election.** Nomination, consideration, and possible action on election of Commission Vice-Chair beginning the adjournment of this meeting through the adjournment of the meeting following September 30, 2024.
18. **Adjournment.** Chair Johnson

**-NEXT REGULAR MEETING-
November 17, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Oklahoma City, OK**

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