

**AMENDMENT 2015-4**

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 2.117 is amended to read as follows:

A Final Report of Contributions and Expenditures shall include, but not be limited to, the same information that is included on a Report of Contributions and Expenditures and shall cover a period beginning after the last day of the immediately preceding reporting period and ending on the day before the Final Report of Contributions and Expenditures is filed. Provided, however, the Final Report of Contributions and Expenditures shall include information about the resolution of debt, if any, and the disposition of tangible assets, if any, by the committee. If tangible assets are purchased from a candidate committee by the candidate or a member of the candidate's family, or from a political action committee by an officer or family member of an officer of the political action committee, the purchase price must be fair market value.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 2.93 is amended to read as follows:

The Executive Director shall be authorized to require additional information on the ~~Statements of Organization and Amended Statements of Organization~~ Reports of Contributions and Expenditures that is consistent with the intent and purposes of these Rules.

1           SECTION 3.           AMENDATORY           Ethics Rule 4.15 is amended to  
2 read as follows:

3           A. A state officer or employee approved by the chief  
4 administrative officer of the agency to participate as a speaker or  
5 panel participant or otherwise to present information on behalf of  
6 the agency at a conference or other event may accept free attendance  
7 at the event on the day of his or her presentation when the free  
8 attendance is provided by the sponsor of the event. Approval by the  
9 chief administrative officer shall not be required for elected  
10 officials to participate in such events subject to the terms of this  
11 subsection. Free attendance may include meals, refreshments,  
12 entertainment, instruction and materials made available to other  
13 participants. The sponsor of the event may also provide  
14 transportation and lodging to the state officer or employee if  
15 transportation and lodging are made available to others  
16 participating as speakers, panel participants or presenters. The  
17 state officer or employee's spouse may also accept free attendance  
18 and participation in the event. The state officer or employee's  
19 spouse may also accept lodging but not transportation. The state  
20 officer or employee or the state officer or employee's spouse may  
21 not accept meals, refreshments, entertainment, transportation or  
22 lodging that are collateral to the event or that are not paid for by  
23 the sponsor of the event that would otherwise be prohibited by these  
24 Rules. No vendor or vendor's agent may pay for, or reimburse the

1 sponsor of the event for, any gifts to the state officer or employee  
2 or the state officer or employee's spouse that are part of the free  
3 attendance and participation provided to the state officer or  
4 employee or the state officer or employee's spouse. However,  
5 membership dues or sponsorships customarily and historically paid by  
6 a vendor or vendor's agent to a sponsoring organization shall not be  
7 considered payment for, or reimbursement for, such costs.

8 B. A state officer or employee may accept a scholarship or  
9 similar grant or subsidy, including the costs of transportation,  
10 lodging, meals, refreshments, entertainment, instruction and  
11 materials made available to other participants, to participate in an  
12 educational or training event sponsored by a foreign government, the  
13 United States government, the government of another state or an  
14 organization to which the State of Oklahoma pays membership dues  
15 either for the State, a state agency or an individual state officer  
16 or employee.

17 C. A state officer or employee may accept a scholarship or  
18 similar grant or subsidy, including the costs of transportation,  
19 lodging, meals, refreshments, entertainment, instruction and  
20 materials made available to other participants, to participate in an  
21 educational or training event sponsored by a bona fide governmental,  
22 professional or business organization other than an organization  
23 described in Subsection (B), provided the state officer or employee  
24 files a report that includes the date or dates and location of the

1 event, the name of the sponsoring organization or organizations, the  
2 name and job title and description of the state officer or employee  
3 participating, the subject matter of the event, the approximate  
4 value of the scholarship, grant or subsidy and the name of the  
5 person providing the scholarship, grant or subsidy. For non-elected  
6 state officers, the report shall include a certification by the  
7 chief administrative officer of the agency that employs the state  
8 officer or employee that the educational or training event will  
9 significantly assist the state officer or employee in discharging  
10 his or her duties. Forms for the reports shall be prescribed by the  
11 Executive Director. Reports shall be filed within thirty (30) days  
12 following the last day of the event and shall be displayed on the  
13 Commission website.

14 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY Ethics Rule 5.6 is amended to  
15 read as follows:

16 Except as provided in these Rules, a legislative liaison, a  
17 legislative lobbyist or a lobbyist principal by whom the legislative  
18 liaison or legislative lobbyist is employed or retained shall  
19 provide ~~nothing of value~~ no gift to the Governor, a legislator or  
20 any employee of the Governor or the Legislature. The Governor, a  
21 legislator or any employee of the Governor or the Legislature shall  
22 not knowingly accept anything of value from a legislative liaison, a  
23 legislative lobbyist or a lobbyist principal by whom the legislative  
24 liaison or legislative lobbyist is employed or retained except as

1 permitted by these Rules. Except as provided in these Rules, an  
2 executive lobbyist or a lobbyist principal by whom the executive  
3 lobbyist is employed or retained shall provide nothing of value to  
4 any officer or employee of an agency that is the subject of the  
5 executive lobbyist's lobbying activities. No officer or employee of  
6 an agency that is subject to an executive lobbyist's lobbying  
7 activities shall knowingly accept anything of value from an  
8 executive lobbyist or a lobbyist principal by whom an executive  
9 lobbyist is employed except as permitted by these Rules. In no  
10 event shall a legislative liaison, a legislative lobbyist, an  
11 executive lobbyist or a lobbyist principal indirectly provide  
12 anything of value to any state officer or employee by providing a  
13 thing of value to a family member of the state officer or employee,  
14 other than as permitted by these Rules. In no event shall the costs  
15 of a thing of value provided by a legislative liaison or legislative  
16 lobbyist to the Governor, a legislator or any employee of the  
17 Governor or the Legislature permitted by these Rules be divided or  
18 shared with other legislative liaisons or legislative lobbyists in  
19 filing a report required by these Rules unless otherwise provided by  
20 these Rules. Agencies may provide two (2) tickets or admissions to  
21 any conference, seminar, lecture or similar event held within the  
22 boundaries of the State of Oklahoma and sponsored in whole or in  
23 part by the agency to the Governor, any legislator or any employee  
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1 of the Governor or Legislature, provided the tickets or admissions  
2 are used by the recipient and a family member of the recipient.  
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