

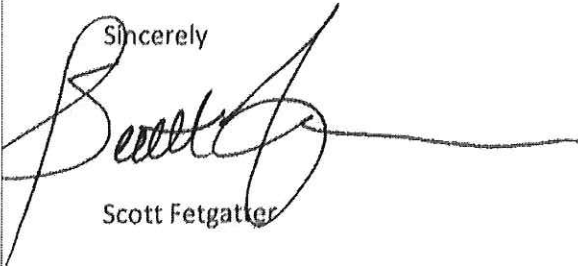
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Dear Geoffrey,

I am a candidate for State House District 16 for 2016. I have an active campaign committee registered with the Oklahoma Ethics Commission. I am currently employed by a radio station as a host on a morning radio show. The radio station is 1240 AM The Brew, it is based in Okmulgee, and it covers primarily Okmulgee County and surrounding areas. The radio show airs from 7:00am to 9:00am, Monday through Friday. My employment is part-time, and I receive compensation for the hours I work. The radio station is organized as a corporation. The show is primarily for entertainment purposes, and at times the discussions on the show are about political topics. Typically those political topics are regarding national issues, but they may involve state issues as well at times. The show occasionally accepts calls from listeners to join in the discussions. Based on these facts, I request an Advisory Opinion on the following questions:

1. May I continue my employment as a radio show host while I am a candidate for state office?
2. If yes, can I discuss my candidacy on the radio show?
3. May I discuss my positions during political discussions on the show, or do I need to refrain from participating in the discussion of political topics on the show?
4. May I advertise on the radio station during my campaign? If so, under what conditions?
5. May I accept campaign contributions from the station owner or other employees of the station?
6. If elected, can I discuss my positions during political discussions on the show as a state officeholder?

Sincerely



Scott Fetgatter

