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Honorable Jodi Remke, Chair
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Fair Political Practices Commission
428 J Street, Suite 620
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Re: Agenda Item # 22 – Streamlined Enforcement Program

Dear Chair Remke and Commissioners:

The undersigned commends the Commission's Enforcement Division staff for updating and extending its Streamlined Enforcement Program as outlined in the Agenda Memorandum and attachments.

The Streamlined Enforcement Program is a successful enforcement program that has better ensured consistency and cost-effective settlement of less complicated violations of the Political Reform Act by filers in the campaign law and Statements of Economic Interest reporting areas since 1999. The California Political Attorneys' Association Enforcement Committee, in a January 2015 meeting with Chair Remke and Executive Director Erin Peth, had urged the Commission to consider updating the Program, and the agenda item reflects a well-considered updating of that Program.

I urge you to adopt the agenda item. I also urge the Commission to continue to review and improve its enforcement processes.

Very truly yours,

Charles H. Bell, Jr.

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cc: Kevin Heneghan, Chairman, California Political Attorneys Association
&CPAA Enforcement Committee
Galena West, Acting Chief, Enforcement Division
Erin Peth, Executive Director