



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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August 8, 2013

Tamara Barnett

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Warning Letter: Case No. 13/820; Tamara Barnett

Dear Ms. Barnett:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (Act)¹. This letter is in response to a non-filer enforcement referral from the County of Siskiyou. The FPPC has completed its investigation and found that you, a former governing board member of the Happy Camp Elementary School, failed to properly file your 2012 Leaving Office Statement of Economic Interests (SEI) (Form 700²).

Section 87300 of the Act requires every state and local agency to develop a Conflict of Interest Code. This code must require persons involved in the making, or participating in the making, of decisions which may foreseeably have a material financial effect on any financial interest belonging to that person to disclose reportable interests. Each newly designated employee shall file a statement within 30 days after assuming office. Throughout the duration of holding that office, each designated employee shall file an annual statement at the time specified in the Conflict of Interest Code. Lastly, every designated employee who leaves office shall file within 30 days of leaving office.

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to file the abovementioned statement by the specified deadline, according to your agency Conflict of Interest Code. However, since you are no longer in this position, and since you have no history of violating the Act, we are closing your case with this warning letter. This information will be retained and may be considered should a future enforcement action become necessary.

Although the FPPC is not seeking a penalty in the current matter, you are still required to file all outstanding statements and will be responsible for any late filing fees assessed by your filing officer. (Gov. Code § 91013.) Please note: any future failure to timely file your required statements will automatically be brought to our attention and will result in monetary penalties.

A warning letter is an FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution; however, this resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause or administrative hearing. If you wish to avail yourself of these proceedings by requesting that your case proceed

¹ The Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. The regulations of the FPPC are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations.

² Electronic link to Form 700: <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/forms/700-12-13/Form700-12-13.pdf>

with prosecution rather than a warning, please notify us within ten days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of your case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, contact Tracey Frazier at (916) 327-2019.

Sincerely,
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← Gary S. Winuk
Chief, Enforcement Division

cc: County of Siskiyou