Fourth Quarter Update

Ethics - Gifts, Honorarium, Travel and Use of Campaign Funds

Regulations adopted by the Commission

The following are regulatory changes approved by the Commission during the past quarter concerning gifts, honorarium, travel, and use of campaign funds. To receive updates for all regulations before the Commission, please sign up for our <u>mailing list here</u>.

Amended:

Regulation 18940.2 Gift Limit Amount

Advice Letters

The following are advice letters issued by the Commission's Legal Division during the past quarter concerning questions about gifts, honorarium, travel, and use of campaign funds. To receive the monthly report with all advice letters issued, please sign up for our <u>mailing list here</u>.

None

Commission Opinions

None

Enforcement Matters

The following are summaries of significant enforcement actions approved by the Commission in the past quarter concerning gifts, honorarium, travel, and use of campaign funds. To receive a monthly report of all enforcement actions, please sign up for our <u>mailing list here</u>.

Misuse of Campaign Funds

In the Matter of Karina Onofre for CA State Assembly 74th District and Karina Onofre; FPPC No. 16/649. Staff: Theresa Gilbertson, Senior Commission Counsel and Marshall Miller, former Special Investigator. The respondent was represented by Joseph A. Weber of Weber Firman. Karina Onofre was an unsuccessful candidate for the California State Assembly, 74th District in the November 8, 2016 General Election. Karina Onofre for CA State Assembly 74th District was her candidate-controlled committee. The Committee and Onofre failed to timely file two pre-election campaign statements, in violation of Government Code Section 84200.5 (1 count) and Onofre made a payment with campaign funds that was unrelated to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose, in violation of Government Code Sections 89512, 89513 subdivision (d), and 89517 (1 count). Fine: \$5,500.

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