

California Fair Political Practices Commission Press Resources

HISTORY AND MISSION

California's Fair **Political Practices** Commission was established by voters in response to the Watergate scandal through the passage of Proposition 9 of 1974. The ballot measure, which later became known as the Political Reform Act, sets standards for campaign finance, financial conflicts of interest, lobbyists registration and reporting, postgovernmental employment, political mass mailings, gifts and honoraria, and more. The Commission has five members, the current Commission Chair is Adam E. Silver.

Questions? Contact the FPPC communications office:

916-322-7761

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The Law

Read the Political Reform Act

Many Sections have related regulations, which are listed at the end of each Section. <u>Search for regulations here</u>.

Enforcement Resources

Search for information on current cases

The status, complaint type, jurisdiction, respondents, date of complaint and type of case violation are viewable. If such information is not viewable in the portal, it may be obtained with a public records request.

Search for a case resolution

Includes cases that result in administrative penalties and fines and cases closed via warning letter, advisory letter, or no action closure letter.

Legal Advice

Search for advice letters

Advice letters provide guidance to candidates, government officials and lobbyists on complying with the law. Search for letters dating back to 1984.

Form Searches

Search Elected Officials' Forms 700s

To request a Form 700 filed with the FPPC but not available on the website, email <u>form700@fppc.ca.gov</u>. For statements not filed with the FPPC, contact the appropriate jurisdiction for assistance.

Search Form 800 series

*Includes travel, ticket, behested payment, and nonprofit disclosures.*For Form 462 (Verification of Independent Expenditures), please contact Form462@fppc.ca.gov.

For campaign statements, please refer to the <u>Secretary of State's CalAccess</u> <u>portal.</u>

Key Links

Please reference a complete list of factsheets here

- 2025 News Releases
- Media FAO
- <u>Public Records Requests</u>
- FAO: Form 700 Disclosure
- Form 700 Reference Pamphlet
- State Limitations and Restrictions on Gifts, Honoraria, Travel and Loans
- Local Limitations and Restrictions on Gifts, Honoraria, Travel and Loans
- An Overview of Conflicts of Interest
- Ouick Guide to Section 1090
- Overview of Section 1090 and FPPC Advice
- Behested Payments Report (Form 803)
- Lobbying FAQ
- Fact Sheet: Other Payments to Influence
- Campaign Disclosure Manuals