



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3050 • Sacramento, CA 95811

March 7, 2025

James Bennett

Via email: [REDACTED]

No Action Closure Letter re: FPPC No. 2024-01324; James Bennett

Dear James Bennett:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission (“Commission”) enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ This letter is in response to referrals from the Commission’s Statement of Economic Interests (“SEI”) Unit alleging that you failed to timely file your 2022 Annual and 2023 Annual SEIs for your position as a Planning Commissioner for the City of Ojai.

The Enforcement Division found that you successfully completed the Commission’s Political Reform Education Program (PREP) course regarding SEIs. In addition, you have filed the missing SEIs. For these reasons, we are closing this matter without further action.

Moreover, completion of PREP exempts you from paying late filing fees for the violations listed in the PREP Agreement, i.e., failure to timely file 2022 Annual and 2023 Annual SEIs, assessed by your filing officer, the Commission’s SEI Unit, pursuant to Section 91013.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Amber Rodriguez at arodriguez@fppc.ca.gov or (279) 237-3756.

Sincerely,

Christopher B. Burton

Christopher B. Burton, Assistant Chief
Enforcement Division

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cc: FPPC’s SEI Unit
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¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.