



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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September 25, 2026

Rick L. Callender
o/b/o Dr. Sharifa Batts
Via email: rick@callenderlawoffice.com

No Action Closure Letter re FPPC No. 2025-01146; Sharifa Batts

Dear Rick Callender:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission (the “Commission”) enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ This letter is in response to a sworn complaint alleging that your client failed to timely report economic interests on their Assuming Office Statement of Economic Interests (“SEI”) and Annual SEIs for their former position on the Equity and Human Rights Commission for the City of Long Beach.

The Enforcement Division found that Sharifa Batts successfully completed the Commission’s Political Reform Education Program (PREP) course regarding SEIs. In addition, your client amended their Assuming Office SEI, 2022 Annual SEI, 2023 Annual SEI, and 2024 Annual SEI for their former position on the Equity and Human Rights Commission, and their Candidate SEI for the position of Long Beach City Council, to disclose all reportable economic interests. For these reasons, we are closing this matter without further action.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Franceska Gonzalez by email at fgonzalez@fppc.ca.gov or by phone at (279) 237-5993.

Sincerely,

Franceska Gonzalez

Franceska Gonzalez, Attorney
Enforcement Division

cc: Mary Anderson, sworn complainant

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.