



CALIFORNIA

# FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

## 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, post-governmental employment, political mass mailings, gifts and honoraria, and more. The Commission has five members, the current Commission Chair is Adam E. Silver.

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916-322-7761

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### Press Resources

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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. [Search for regulations here](#).

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#### 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.

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#### 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.

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#### Form Searches

Search Elected Officials' Forms 700s (TBD)

To request a Form 700 filed with the FPPC but not available on the website, email [form700@fppc.ca.gov](mailto:form700@fppc.ca.gov). For statements not filed with the FPPC, contact the appropriate jurisdiction for assistance.

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Includes travel, ticket, behested payment, and nonprofit disclosures.

For Form 462 (Verification of Independent Expenditures), please contact [Form462@fppc.ca.gov](mailto:Form462@fppc.ca.gov).

For campaign statements, please refer to the [Secretary of State's CalAccess portal](#).

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#### Key Links

Please reference a complete list of factsheets [here](#)

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- [FAQ: Form 700 Disclosure](#)
- 1. [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](#)
- [Quick Guide to Section 1090](#)
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- [Behested Payments Report \(Form 803\)](#)
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