



## NOTICE AND AGENDA Commission Meeting<sup>1</sup>

California Fair Political Practices Commission  
1102 Q Street, Suite 3800  
Sacramento, CA 95811

Thursday, September 15, 2022  
10:00 A.M.

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### Welcome

Richard C. Miadich, Chair

### Public Comment

- 1. Public Comment for Items not on Agenda.** During this comment period, any person is invited to speak on any topic that is not listed on this agenda. Action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on a future agenda. Those who wish to comment on an item that has been listed on this agenda may comment when that item has been opened for consideration by the Commission and before any action is taken.

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## Approval of Commission Minutes

### 2. Approval of August 2022 Commission Hearing Minutes.

#### Consent Calendar 3-5

Items on the consent calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A Commissioner may request that an item be removed from consent, in which case it will be discussed separately in the meeting.

3. **Adoption of Proposed Amendments to Regulations 18960, Direct Personal Benefit; 18225.7, Made at the Behest; Independent versus Coordinated Expenditures; and 18728.5, Reporting of Commission Income and Incentive Compensation.** Staff: Karen Harrison, Senior Commission Counsel. Staff presents proposed amendments to Regulation 18960, to extend its application to Section 89521, defining an “egregious personal benefit, and other cleanup amendments; Regulation 18225.7, to remove a citation to a repealed regulation; and Regulation 18728.5 to correct a cross-reference citation. The proposed amendments are presented for adoption by the Commission.

#### Staff Memo

**Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18960**  
**Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18225.7**  
**Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18728.5**

#### Laundered Campaign Contributions

4. **In the Matter of Andrew M. Stein, Andrew Stein for Superior Court Judge 2014, and Yolanda Miranda; FPPC Case No. 17/075.** Staff: Jenna C. Rinehart, Commission Counsel and Lance M. Hachigian, Special Investigator. This matter arose from an audit performed by the Franchise Tax Board’s Political Reform Audit Program. Andrew Stein was a successful candidate for Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge in the June 3, 2014 Primary Election, but was defeated in the November 4, 2014 General Election. Andrew Stein for Superior Court Judge 2014 was Stein’s controlled committee. Yolanda Miranda served as the Committee’s treasurer. In this matter, Stein, the Committee, and Miranda caused a third party to make a \$100,000 contribution to the Committee in the name of Stein, in violation of Government Code Section 84301 (1 count). Further, Stein, while acting as the intermediary of the third party, failed to disclose both the intermediary and the original contributor information for the \$100,000 contribution from the third party to the Committee, in violation of Government Code Section 84302 (1 count). Finally, Stein, the Committee, and Miranda filed a campaign statement with inaccurate contributor information regarding the \$100,000 contribution, in violation of Government Code Section 84211 (1 count). **Total Proposed Penalty: \$15,000.**

#### Default Proceedings

#### Default Proceedings Requesting Commission Action

5. **In the Matter of Laura Franco-Perez; FPPC No. 18/083.** Staff: Alex Rose, Commission Counsel. Laura Franco-Perez, Planning Commissioner of the City of Sanger, failed to timely file an Assuming Office, 2017 Annual, and Leaving Office Statement of Economic Interests, in violation of Government Code Sections 87202, 87203, and 87204 (3 counts). **Total Proposed Penalty: \$12,000.**

#### General Items 6-9

6. **Prenotice Discussion of Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18624, Lobbyist Arranging Gifts; 18625, Loans to Lobbyist or Lobbying Firm; and Proposed Regulation 18626, Contingency Fees Prohibition.** Staff: Jack Woodside, Senior Commission Counsel. Staff presents proposed amendments to Regulation 18624 regarding the prohibition against a lobbyist arranging for the making of a gift, and Regulation 18625 regarding the prohibition against placing an official under personal obligation. In addition, staff presents proposed Regulation 18626 regarding the prohibition against contingency fees. The

proposed amendments are presented for discussion and direction by the Commission and will be presented for adoption at a subsequent meeting.

**Staff Memo**

**Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18624**

**Proposed Amendments to Regulation 18625**

**Proposed Adoption of Regulation 18626**

- 7. **Legislative Update.** Staff: Lindsey Nakano, Senior Legislative Counsel. The Commission will review and discuss FPPC-related legislation. The Commission may provide direction on future legislation to be sought by the agency.

**Legislative Update**

- 8. **Executive Staff Reports.**

Enforcement Division. Angela Brereton, Chief.

Audits and Assistance Division. Shrdha Shah, Chief.

Legal Division. David Bainbridge, General Counsel.

Administration and Technology Division. Loressa Hon, Chief.

Executive Director Update. Galena West, Executive Director.

**Executive Staff Report**

- 9. **Commissioner Comments and Proposed Future Agenda Items.**

Note: Although any Commissioner may identify a topic of interest, the Commission may not substantially discuss or take action on any matter raised during the meeting that is not included on this agenda, except to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code Sections 11125 & 11125.7(a).)