To: Chair Ravel and Commissioners Eskovitz, Casher, Wasserman, Wynne

From: Lynda Cassady, Chief of Technical Assistance Division

Subject: Report of Division Activities

Date: September 5, 2013

Advice Requests

Email advice requests January – August: 3,735

Telephone advice requests Jan - August: 7,801

Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests

Form 700 Website Posting: Form 700s for judges and council members were posted on the FPPC website.

Form 801 - Gift to Agency Reporting

Staff is preparing a revision to the Form 801 to incorporate the recent regulatory amendments adopted by the Commission at last month's meeting. The revised form and a FAQ informational sheet is anticipated to be available in October for public comment.

Webinar Training

Staff continues to provide webinar training for political party and local PAC treasurers, as well as for candidates and their treasurers. In August, a newly-developed webinar was rolled out for local officials who administer campaign filings. The webinar program has proven to be very popular with as many as 80 persons signed up to take some of the training sessions. We have received positive feedback on the training for its ease of use and cost effectiveness. We received a recent comment from a city clerk: "The webinars are so wonderful, and it is a great outreach and useful for its inclusiveness. I hope you continue with these. Repetition on these matters is so helpful." Additional webinars are scheduled for treasurers and campaign filing officers in September and October. Persons interested in receiving notifications for upcoming training sessions may sign up here.

Filing Officer Outreaches

Consultant Cyndi Glaser provided training to officials in Isleton on performing their Form 700 administrative duties. Consultant Ivy Branaman provided training to staff at the State Compensation Insurance Fund on amending their conflict of interest code, and to staff at the Delta Protection Commission on performing their Form 700 filing officer duties. Consultant Alex Castillo provided webinar training to officials in Shasta and Monterey Counties on performing their

campaign filing officer duties. Consultant Barbara Smith providing training to staff in Santa Clara County on performing their campaign filing officer duties.

Conflict of Interest Code Review

Approved amendments and adoptions to conflict of interest codes include:

State Agencies:

State Lands Commission

Multi-County Agencies

Angiola Water District
CA Joint Powers Risk Management Authority
Northern California Special Districts Insurance Authority
Sonoma County Junior College District
Tahoe Forest Hospital District