



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95811

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The Honorable Chair
Joint Legislative Budget Committee
1020 N Street, Room 553
Sacramento, CA 95818
Attention: Ms. Jennifer Troia

Dear Chair:

Pursuant to supplemental reporting language contained in the 2018 Budget Act for Item 8620-001-0001, I am providing you with the following statistics regarding the workload of the Fair Political Practices Commission for the calendar year 2018:

- (a) Data collected regarding enforcement of the Political Reform Act of 1974.
- The number of complaints received: **1,352**
 - The number of referrals received: **1,529**
 - The number of cases opened: **1,561**
 - The number of streamline cases with resolutions approved by the commission: **173**; the number of mainline cases with resolutions approved by the commission: **56**; the number of default cases with resolutions approved by the commission: **6**
 - Total fines imposed by the commission: **\$499,606**
 - The number of warning letters issued: **554**
 - The number of administrative terminations: **177**
 - The number of cases closed with violations found: **966**
 - The number of advisory letters issued: **20**
 - The number of no action closure letters issued: **252**
 - The average case pendency by category of violations under the act:



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Case Violation Type	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Advertisements					
Number of Cases	39	21	52	11	15
Case Pendency	203	452	366	361	75
Annual Fees					
Number of Cases	0	1378	144	311	27
Case Pendency	0	249	242	90	46
Campaign Bank Account					
Number of Cases	13	4	5	8	2
Case Pendency	406	573	446	318	104
Campaign Contribution Limits					
Number of Cases	13	10	9	8	7
Case Pendency	270	132	295	281	70
Campaign Non-Filer					
Number of Cases	294	269	337	314	271
Case Pendency	171	298	262	157	68
Campaign Non-Reporter					
Number of Cases	62	33	36	37	21
Case Pendency	213	270	257	178	60
Campaign Reporting					
Number of Cases	28	16	28	10	7
Case Pendency	298	511	356	254	62
Cash and In-Kind Contributions and/or Expenditures					
Number of Cases	3	0	2	5	0
Case Pendency	203	0	846	228	0
Committee Naming Requirements					
Number of Cases	2	1	0	0	1
Case Pendency	179	913	0	0	13
Conflict of Interests					
Number of Cases	37	54	22	11	10
Case Pendency	428	199	372	153	39
Filing Officer Duties					
Number of Cases	2	0	2	0	0
Case Pendency	290	0	14	0	0
Gift Over-the-Limit					
Number of Cases	27	13	4	2	3
Case Pendency	56	127	290	339	17
Gift Reporting					
Number of Cases	0	0	0	1	0
Case Pendency	0	0	0	254	0



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LAFCO						
Number of Cases	1	0	0	0	0	0
Case Pendency	658	0	0	0	0	0
Laundered Campaign Contributions						
Number of Cases	19	7	8	2	2	2
Case Pendency	370	527	556	278	87	
Legal Defense Fund						
Number of Cases	0	0	1	0	0	0
Case Pendency	0	0	288	0	0	0
Loans						
Number of Cases	2	0	0	0	2	2
Case Pendency	575	0	0	0	17	
Lobbying Reporting						
Number of Cases	89	57	19	38	19	19
Case Pendency	112	259	410	270	97	
Mass Mailings						
Number of Cases	4	8	23	10	8	8
Case Pendency	109	424	334	150	104	
Misuse of Campaign Funds						
Number of Cases	8	5	5	2	0	0
Case Pendency	383	90	358	348	0	0
Non-PRA						
Number of Cases	0	0	1	0	0	0
Case Pendency	0	0	126	0	0	0
Other						
Number of Cases	1	0	6	13	9	9
Case Pendency	992	0	220	104	30	
Recordkeeping						
Number of Cases	23	5	5	3	4	4
Case Pendency	276	725	341	39	69	
Revolving Door						
Number of Cases	4	0	1	1	0	0
Case Pendency	70	0	934	588	0	0
San Bernardino County Ordinance						
Number of Cases	14	1	1	0	0	0
Case Pendency	413	110	725	0	0	0
Slate Mailer Organization Violations						
Number of Cases	20	2	3	1	1	1
Case Pendency	122	378	154	10	168	
Statements of Economic Interest Non-Filer						
Number of Cases	418	351	411	424	200	200
Case Pendency	97	123	125	104	83	



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Statements of Economic Interest Non-Reporter					
Number of Cases	279	17	28	21	12
Case Pendency	92	397	257	171	165
Unlawful Honorarium					
Number of Cases	0	0	0	0	1
Case Pendency	0	0	0	0	47
Unlawful Travel Payments, Advances, Reimbursements or Other Expenditures					
Number of Cases	2	1	1	0	0
Case Pendency	17	629	505	0	0
Average Case Pendency (Except Open Cases)	151	241	229	131	74
Cases Still Open	1	20	173	247	939

(b) Data collected from the advice phone system.

- The number of advice phone call: **10,530**
- The average amount of time people wait on the phone before their call is answered: **1 minute and 4 seconds**
- The average length of accepted calls: **2 minutes and 4 seconds**

(c) Data regarding informal advice issued by email.

- The number of emails received: **12,911**
- The number of advice emails responded to within 24 hours from receipt: **12,834**
- The number of advice emails responded to after more than 24 hours from receipt: **77**

(d) Data regarding responsiveness to public demand for information.

- The number of workshops or presentations requested by the public or a public agency: **53**
- The number of workshops or presentations performed: **51**

(e) Data regarding advice letters issued pursuant to Section 83114 of the Government Code.

- The number of advice letters issued: **204**
- The number of instances where it took the commission longer than 21 days to issue an advice letter: **73**



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(f) Data regarding advice letters issued pursuant to Section 1090 of the Government Code.

- The number of advice letters issued: **69**
- The number of instances where it took the commission longer than 30 days to issue an advice letter: **7**
- The number of instances where it took the commission longer than 90 days to issue an advice letter: **0**

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 322-7779.

Sincerely,

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