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Third Quarter Update

Lobbying

Regulations adopted by the Commission.

The following are regulatory changes approved by the Commission during the past quarter concerning lobbying. To receive updates for all regulations before the Commission, please sign up for our [mailing list here](#).

None.

Advice Letters

The following are advice letters issued by the Commission's Legal Division during the past quarter concerning lobbying. To receive the monthly report with all advice letters issued, please sign up for our [mailing list here](#).

None.

Commission Opinions

None.

Enforcement Matters

The following are summaries of significant enforcement actions approved by the Commission in the past quarter involving violations of the Act's lobbying laws. To receive a monthly report of all enforcement actions, please sign up for our [mailing list here](#).

Lobbying Reporting

In the Matter of Dawn Addis, Dawn Addis for Assembly 2020, and Steve Black; FPPC Nos. 20/118 and 20/119. Staff: Neal Bucknell, Senior Commission Counsel. Respondents Dawn Addis and Addis for Assembly 2020 are represented by Richard Rios of Olson Remcho LLP. Respondent Steve Black is represented by Gary Winuk of the Kaufman Legal Group. Black was a lobbyist who was registered to lobby the California State Legislature. In December 2019, Black made a contribution to Dawn Addis for Assembly 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 85702 (1 count). Additionally, Addis and Dawn Addis for Assembly 2020 accepted the contribution, in violation of Government Code Section 85702 (1 count). **Fine: \$2,500.**

In the Matter of County of Humboldt; FPPC No. 20/434. Staff: Theresa Gilbertson, Senior Commission Counsel. County of Humboldt, a lobbyist employer, failed to timely file eight lobbyist employer quarterly reports, in violation of Government Code Section 86116 (8 counts). **Fine: \$9,546 (Tier Two).**

In the Matter of Cobalt Institute; FPPC No. 23/252. Staff: James M. Lindsay, Chief of Enforcement and Ginny Brown, Political Reform Consultant. The respondent is represented by Gary S. Winuk of Kaufman Legal Group. Cobalt Institute, a lobbyist employer, failed to timely file four lobbyist employer quarterly reports, in violation of Government Code Section 86116 (4 counts). **Fine: \$1,392 (Tier One).**

Legislation

None.