



# Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission

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## COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

**Regular Meeting | Thursday, June 23, 2016 | 10:00 AM**

Location: Coverdell Legislative Office Building  
Room 606, 18 Capitol Square SW  
Atlanta, GA 30334

<b>Meeting Called to Order</b>	1
<b>Welcome and Opening Comments of the Chair</b>	2
<b>Review and Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for March 24, 2016</b>	3
<b>Resolution to Recognize Heath Garrett's Service to the Commission</b>	4
<b>Late Fee Hardship Waiver Appeals:</b>  a) In the Matter of Michael Harden b) In the Matter of Dr. Elizabeth Price	5
<b>Consent Orders:</b>  a) 2016-0003 PC: In the Matter of James "Ron" Stephens (RL) b) 2015-0037PC: In the Matter of William "Bill Edwards (RL) c) 2015-0052: In the Matter of David Van Sant (BW) d) 2016-0010: In the Matter of Kelly Spratt (BW) e) 2016-0016: In the Matter of Robert (Bobby) Philip Palarchio (BW) f) 2015-0024: In the Matter of Skidaway Island Republican Club (BW) g) 2015-0036: In the Matter of William (Bill) Dewrell (BW) h) 2012-0043: In the Matter of Martin L. Hawley (RL)	6
<b>Probable Cause Hearings:</b>  a) 2012-0079: In the Matter of Earnest Smith (RL) (Commission to decide to lift Stay) b) 2014-0069: In the Matter of Mike Beaudreau (RL) c) 2016-0030: In the Matter of Christopher G. Nicholson (BW) d) 2016-0032: In the Matter of Marc Richards (BW) e) 2009-0012: In the Matter of Michael Julian Bond (BW)	7

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<p><b>Advisory Opinions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A.O. No. 2016-01: Does the Campaign Finance Act’s prohibition on the acceptance and/or making of “public agency contributions” per O.C.G.A. §21-5-30.2(b) prohibit a local government agency from allowing equal access to their agency owned computers and/or computer systems to public officers and candidates for public office?</li> <li>• A. O. No. 2016-02: Do contributions to and expenditures from a newsletter fund established under 26 U.S.C. § 527(g) that are used solely for the preparation and circulation of a newsletter, consistent with the terms of § 527(g), constitute “contributions” or “expenditures” under the Campaign Finance Act that must be disclosed under the Act?</li> <li>• A.O. 2016-03: Does the State prohibition on former legislators not being able to lobby state entities (legislature, Governor’s office, etc.) apply to local government as well?</li> </ul>	8
<p><b>Break for Lunch</b></p>	9
<p><b>Report of the Executive Secretary:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Administrative Dismissal Summaries:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 2014-0061(a): In the Matter of Mark Stambaugh (RL)</li> <li>b. 2015-0073: In the Matter of DeKalb Chamber of Commerce (RL)</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Report on Backlog</li> <li>3. Legislative Update</li> <li>4. Office Space Update</li> <li>5. Employee Update</li> </ol>	10
<p><b>Discussion of Executive Secretary and Staff Compensation</b></p>	11
<p><b>Comments from the Attorney General’s Office</b></p>	12
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