



Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission

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Special Meeting | Tuesday April 28, 2015 | 10:00 AM

Minutes of Commission Meeting

Location: James "Sloppy" Floyd Building,
200 Piedmont Ave. SE, Suite 1420,
14th Floor, West Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

PRESENT:

Commission Members:

Hillary Stringfellow, Chair
R. Lawton Jordan III, Vice Chair
Dennis Cathey, Commission Member

Commission Staff:

Robert Lane, Attorney
Bethany Whetzel, Attorney
Nancy Sandberg, Legal Administrative Assistant
Andrew Booth, IT/Videographer

Commission Members via Phone:

Heath Garrett, Commission Member
Mary Paige Adams, Commission Member

SUMMARY OF SUBJECTS ACTED UPON:

Subject	Summary
Meeting Called to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM
Opening Comments of the Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Chair Stringfellow identified all members present as herself and Dennis Cathey and present via phone as Heath Garrett. Commissioner Jordan arrived after Executive Session began.Chair identified staff members present. .
Executive Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Motioned and entered into Executive Session to interview the four final candidates for the Executive Secretary position at 10:05 AM. The final candidates are:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cheston RoneyStefan RitterHeather Ramsey RyfaJeffrey Ledford<p><i>Motioned by: Commissioner Cathey Seconded by: Commissioner Garrett Carried: 3 to 0</i></p>

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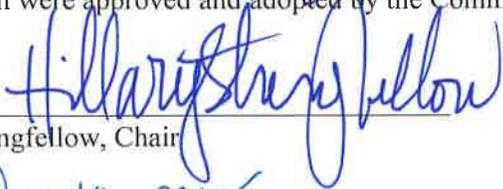
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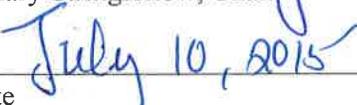
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Executive Session (<i>Continued</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motioned and approved to leave Executive Session and reconvene the meeting at 3:06 PM. <i>Motioned by: Commissioner Jordan</i> <i>Seconded by: Commissioner Adams</i> <i>Carried: 4 to 0</i> Commissioner Cathey was excused after Executive Session and Commissioner Adams was present via phone when the meeting reconvened.
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair asked if there was any public comment. There was none.
Personnel Decision voted on by the Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair asked for a motion regarding the finalist interviews. It was motioned and unanimously approved to hire Stefan Ritter as the new Executive Secretary. <i>Motioned by: Commissioner Jordan</i> <i>Seconded by: Commissioner Adams</i> <i>Carried: 4 to 0</i> There was no further discussion or business.
Meeting Adjourned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motioned and voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:09 PM. <i>Motioned by: Commissioner Jordan</i> <i>Seconded by: Commissioner Adams</i> <i>Carried: 4 to 0</i>

Official Minutes Statement

The foregoing Minutes for the April 28, 2015 meeting of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission were approved and adopted by the Commission at the Commission's meeting on June 25, 2015.



 Hillary Stringfellow, Chair



 Date

County of Fulton,
State of Georgia

Affidavit of Presiding Officer

**GEORGIA GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY
AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMISSION**

Personally appeared before the undersigned officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Hillary Stringfellow, Chair of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission (the "Commission"), who, being sworn, states the following under oath:

1.

I am the Chair of the Commission. I am giving this Affidavit as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b) to explain the closing to the public a part of a meeting of the Commission. I have personal knowledge of the fact stated in this Affidavit.

2.

On April 28, 2015, the Commission met in an open meeting in room 1420, 14th floor, West Tower at the James "Sloppy" Floyd Building in Atlanta and I presided. By a vote of 3 to 0, the Commission closed a portion of its meeting to the public in order to discuss and deliberate upon Executive Secretary candidate interviews and personnel matters. No other topic was discussed during the closed portion, over which I presided. The meeting was closed in accord with the specific exception to open meetings under O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6) ("Meetings when discussing or deliberating upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee...").

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

10th day of July, 2015.

Felicity A. Little
Notary Signature

Felicity A. Little, Notary Public
Notary Print Name

My Commission expires 10/12/15

Hillary Stringfellow
Hillary Stringfellow, Chair
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