

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**TO:** Members, Commission on Ethics

**FROM:** Kerrie Stillman  
Executive Director

**DATE:** May 18, 2022

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## ADVISORY OPINIONS

The Commission on Ethics issued one opinion at its April meeting. It has rendered 2,691 opinions since its inception in 1974.

## LITIGATION

Case Number 1D21-3115, Patrick Loebig v. Florida Commission on Ethics - This is an appeal of CEO 21-9 regarding the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate. Gray filed an answer brief on March 15, 2022. The Appellant filed his Reply Brief on April 14, 2022, and requested oral argument in his appeal. We filed a response in opposition to the request for oral argument on April 18, 2022. The First District Court of Appeal has yet to rule on the oral argument request or our motion in opposition.

In DOAH Case No 21-2890EC Carlos Beruff v. Florida Commission on Ethics, an hearing was held on March 9, 2022.

Case Number 5D22-322, Bill Spaude v. Florida Commission on Ethics. This is an appeal of Complaint No. 19-174. The Appellant's Initial Brief is due June 3, 2022.

On March 9, 2022, in Complaint No. 18-080, In re: Daphne Campbell, the Commission rendered the Final Order and Public Report in which the Commission found that the Respondent violated Article II, Section 8, Florida Constitution, and Section 112.3144, Florida Statutes, on three separate occasions by filing an inaccurate 2013, 2015, and 2017, Form 6, "Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests" and recommended the imposition of a public censure and reprimand and a civil penalty of \$22,500 (\$7,500 per violation). On March 29, 2022, a Notice of Appeal of this matter was filed with the First District Court of Appeal. The Appellant's Initial Brief is due on June 7, 2022.

## FINANCES

As of April 30, we've spent \$2,044,427.32 (78.58%) of our appropriation, with 83.33% of the FY gone.

## PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS / PUBLICATIONS / HONORS

Gray delivered a 60-minute presentation to the Florida justice Administrative Commission on May 5, at their conference in Panama City. He will be delivering a 60-minute Zoom presentation to Florida Department of Health attorneys from the Northwest Law Office on May 26.

## **PENDING ORDERS IMPOSING PENALTIES**

### **GOVERNOR**

Complaint No. 15-178, In re Michael S. Murphy (Final Order 08/03/16)  
Complaint No. 17-108, In re Joel Davis (Final Order 06/13/18)  
Complaint No. 17-088, In re Cheryl Thomas-Hughes (Final Order 12/12/18)  
Complaint No. 16-062, In re Dennis McDonald (Final Order 10/30/19)  
Complaint No. 18-211, In re Thomas L. Clyce (Final Order 02/10/21)  
Complaint No. 19-154, In re Doug Belden (Final Order 03/10/21)  
Complaint No. 18-168, In re Dustin Daniels (Final Order 04/21/21)  
Complaint No. 18-047, In re Brian Burkeen (Final Order 04/21/21)  
Complaint No. 19-158, In re Thomas R. Hardee [Referral] (Final Order 04/21/21)  
Complaint No. 20-124, In re Francis David Bourrie (Final Order 06/09/21)  
Complaint No. 19-192, In re Marilyn D. Sconions (07/28/21)  
Complaint No. 20-054, In re Milissa Holland (Final Order 09/15/21)  
Complaint No. 16-130, In re Frantz Pierre (Final Order 09/15/21)  
Complaint No. 20-125, In re Muhammad Amin (Final Order 10-27-21)  
Complaint No. 20-225, In re Alexis P. Rodriguez (Final Order 10-27-21)  
Complaint No. 21-077, In re Reginald Sessions (Final Order 10-27-21)  
Complaint No. 20-170, In re Betsy Vanderley (Final Order 12-8-21)  
Complaint No. 19-174, In re William "Bil" Spaude (Final Order 1-26-22)  
Complaint No. 18-141, In re Andreana Jackson (Final Order 1-26-22)  
Complaint No. 18-020, In re Joseph Kilsheimer (Final Order 1-26-22)  
Complaint No. 20-144, In re Gabriel Garcia (Final Order 3-9-22)  
Complaint No. 21-093, In re Dale V.C. Holness (3-9-22)  
Complaint No. 21-162, In re Cynthia Stuart (3-9-22)  
Complaint No. 21-113, In re Dennis Ward (4-27-22)

### **HOUSE**

Complaint No. 18-026, In re Kim Daniels (Final Order 01/30/19)  
Complaint No. 20-206, In re Jackie Toledo (Final Order 10-27-21)  
Complaint No. 20-211, In re Tracie Davis (Final Order 10-27-21)

## **PENDING ACTION ON STATUTORILY-GENERATED LOBBYING FIRM AUDIT MATTERS (GOVERNOR AND CABINET)**

Complaint No. 16-017, In re Dean Mead (Probable Cause 01/27/17)  
Complaint No. 16-018, In re Buigas and Associates (Probable Cause 01/27/17)  
Complaint No. 16-019, In re DDarling Consulting (Probable Cause 01/27/17).  
Complaint No. 16-174, In re Kathy Till and Associates, Inc., (Probable Cause 08/02/17)  
Complaint No. 16-170, In re Capitol Group, Inc., (Probable Cause 10/25/17)  
Complaint No. 16-173, In re Johnson Strategies, LLC (Probable Cause 12/13/17)  
Complaint No. 16-175, In re Sayfie Law Firm (Probable Cause 10/25/17)  
Complaint No. 17-132, In re Andrew J. Liles (Probable Cause 08/01/18)  
Complaint No. 17-134, In re Lester Abberger (Probable Cause 08/01/18)  
Complaint No. 17-135, In re Pruitt and Associates (Probable Cause 08/01/18)  
Complaint No. 17-136, In re Wilson and Associates, LLC (Probable Cause 08/01/18)  
Complaint No. 17-137, In re TC Wolfe (Probable Cause 08/01/18)  
Complaint No. 19-031, In re Impact GR (Probable Cause 09/18/19)

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Complaint No. 20-055, In re All Florida Solutions, Inc. (Probable Cause 03/10/21)

Complaint No. 20-056, In re Carr Allison (Probable Cause 03/10/21)

Complaint No. 20-058, In re Pyle and Associates (Probable Cause 03/10/21)

Complaint No. 21-127, In re Diana Hadi Padgett (Probable Cause 12/3/21)

Complaint No. 21-128, CJT Strategies, LLC (Probable Cause 12/3/21)