

**BEFORE THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

In re PolitiCALM

Appellant.

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Executive Branch Appeal No. L26-002

Final Order No.

FINAL ORDER

This matter came before the Commission on Ethics, meeting in public session on October 23, 2026, on the timely appeal of PolitiCALM, pursuant to Section 112.3215(5)(d), Florida Statutes, which assesses an automatic fine of \$50 per day on a lobbying firm that fails to timely file an executive branch compensation report. The Commission may waive the fine in whole or in part for good cause shown, based on unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file by the designated due date. Appellant has requested a hearing before the Commission.

Findings of Fact

1. Appellant is an entity that registered as a lobbying firm for the purpose of lobbying agencies of the executive branch and was required to file a firm compensation report with the Commission on Ethics for each calendar quarter during any portion of which one or more of the firm's lobbyist(s) were registered to represent a principal.

2. During the second quarter of calendar year 2026, Appellant had one registered lobbyist. The statutory deadline for the filing of the executive branch firm compensation report for the second quarter of 2026 was August 14, 2026.

3. On July 1, 2026, Appellant was sent an email reminder regarding the requirement to file its second quarter compensation report, which indicated the deadline for filing was August

14, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. EST. The email was sent to Appellant at hello@politicalm.com. Staff did not receive any notification that this initial email was blocked or returned.

4. On August 9, 2026, Appellant was sent a follow up courtesy reminder at the same email address—hello@politicalm.com—regarding the requirement to file the firm's second quarter compensation report. The email also indicated that the deadline for filing was August 14, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. EST. Staff did not receive any notification that this reminder email was blocked or returned.

5. Another email was sent on August 15, 2026—the day after the second quarter compensation report was due—indicating that the report had not been received, and that a \$50 per day fine had begun to accrue pursuant to Section 112.3215(5), Florida Statutes. The email was sent to Appellant at hello@politicalm.com, and there is no indication this email was blocked or returned.

6. Commission staff attempted to contact Appellant's lobbyist concerning the overdue compensation report on August 17, 2026, although a recording stated the call could not be completed as dialed.

7. On August 18, 2026, which was four days after the deadline, Appellant filed its second quarter compensation report. The report indicated it had only one principal during the second quarter of 2026 from which it received \$0 in total compensation.

8. That same day, August 18, 2026, Appellant was sent a Notification of Assessed Fine via email at "hello@politicalm.com." The Notification was sent to the same email address as the earlier reminders. The Notification included the total amount of Appellant's accrued

automatic fine, which was \$200, reflecting that the report was filed four days late. The Notification also included a notice of Appellant's right to appeal the fine.¹

9. Appellant timely submitted an appeal of the automatic fine on August 31, 2026. In its appeal, Appellant states as grounds that it was eligible for a first-time fine waiver under Section 112.3215(5)(d)4., Florida Statutes, claiming that it had never before submitted an untimely compensation report. Alternately, Appellant explains it missed the deadline as its lobbyist was running for office, and the deadline for the second quarter compensation report "coincided with the final and most demanding period of [her] campaign and election activities[.]" Appellant claims that, due to its lobbyist's schedule at the time, "the quarterly filing deadline was unintentionally overlooked." Appellant also asks the Commission to consider that its sole lobbying principal was being represented "pro bono" and that it received \$0 in compensation during the reporting period. Appellant attaches to the appeal a "Memorialization of Prior Pro Bono Services" between itself and its principal. This document, which "memorializes" a prior oral arrangement, is signed by Appellant's principal and its lobbyist. It indicates any lobbying services provided by Appellant to the principal during the second quarter of 2026 were "pro bono," and that "no compensation or other thing of value was paid, provided, promised, or owed to [Appellant.]"

Conclusions of Law

10. The Commission has jurisdiction over Appellant and over the subject matter of this proceeding pursuant to Section 112.3215, Florida Statutes.

¹ Section 112.3215(5)(d)4., Florida Statutes, provides for an automatic one-time fine waiver the first time a lobbying firm fails to timely file an executive branch compensation report, so long as that report is filed within 30 days of the late notice. Appellant received this one-time fine waiver in association with a late-filed third quarter 2025 executive branch compensation report and is not eligible to receive another automatic fine waiver.

11. Section 112.3215(5)(d), Florida Statutes, assesses a fine of \$50 per day on an executive branch lobbying firm that fails to timely file a compensation report and provides that the Commission may waive the fine in whole or in part for good cause shown, based on "unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date."

12. Commission Rule 34-12.407(4), Florida Administrative Code, defines "unusual circumstances" as follows:

'Unusual circumstances' means uncommon, rare or sudden events over which the actor has no control and which directly result in the failure to act in accordance with the filing requirements. Circumstances which allow for time in which to take those steps necessary to assure compliance with the filing requirements shall be deemed not to constitute unusual circumstances.

13. The responsibility for timely filing of executive branch compensation reports rests with the lobbying firm, as does the burden of persuading the Commission that the failure to timely report resulted from "unusual circumstances."

14. We note that certain arguments raised in the appeal do not provide "unusual circumstances" to waive the \$200 fine. For instance, while Appellant claims it is eligible for the first-time fine waiver in Section 112.3215(5)(d)4., Commission records indicate it already received this waiver regarding its compensation report for the second quarter of 2025. Also, even assuming Appellant's lobbyist was heavily campaigning during the period in which the second quarter report was due, this does not demonstrate an "uncommon, rare or sudden" event over which Appellant had no control, as would be needed to constitute the "unusual circumstances" necessary to waive the fine. Finally, while Appellant may not have received compensation for lobbying during the second quarter of 2026, this does not excuse the requirement to timely file the second quarter report. The statute concerning compensation reports specifically requires a quarterly filing even if no compensation was received. See §

112.3215(5)(a)1.c., Fla. Stat. (requiring a compensation report even if just to indicate \$0 in compensation).

15. However, Appellant's claim that it was representing its sole principal during the second quarter of 2026 on a pro bono basis does warrant further analysis. Section 112.3215(5)(a)1. only requires quarterly compensation reports from "lobbying firm[s]" with registered lobbyists. The statute defines a "lobbying firm" as a "business entity [] that receives or becomes entitled to receive any compensation for the purpose of lobbying[.]" See § 112.3215(1)(h), Fla. Stat. (emphasis added). This requirement of compensation or an entitlement to compensation is also reflected in the statutory definition of the term "lobbyist," which is "a person who is employed and receives payment, or who contracts for economic consideration, for the purpose of lobbying[.]" See § 112.3215(1)(h), Fla. Stat. (emphasis added).² Given these definitions, if a particular firm neither receives compensation for lobbying nor is entitled to receive compensation for lobbying, meaning there is no obligation that a principal pay it for lobbying efforts, then the reporting requirements of Section 112.3215 will not apply. See Rule 34-12.175(8), Florida Administrative Code (indicating "lobbying" does not occur unless there is an entitlement to "compensation, remuneration, or a commission for representation"). Importantly, a situation where a firm lobbies without being entitled to pay is distinguishable from a situation where a firm has an ongoing lobbying contract, but simply receives no compensation during a particular quarter. In the latter scenario, Section 112.3215 still would require the firm to file a compensation report—even if just to reflect \$0 in compensation—as the firm has an ongoing entitlement to receive compensation for lobbying, even if no compensation

² The definition of a "lobbyist" in Section 112.3215(1)(h) also encompasses one who is "principally employed for governmental affairs by another person or governmental entity to lobby on behalf of that other person or governmental entity[.]" meaning the definition also covers in-house lobbyists who receive compensation through employment.

was received during the quarter in question. But when the firm is representing a principal pro bono—meaning not only that it has received no compensation but that it is not entitled to receive compensation—no compensation report would be required as the firm does not meet the statutory definition of a "lobbying firm[.]"

16. That appears to be what occurred here, as Appellant indicates that it was representing its sole principal during the second quarter of 2026 on a pro bono basis. Because it neither received nor was entitled to receive compensation for lobbying during the second quarter, it did not qualify as a "lobbying firm" and was not required to file a compensation report or, indeed, register with our Executive Branch Lobbyist Registration Office. Considering that the sole representation for lobbying here was pro bono, we find there are "unusual circumstances" surrounding Appellant's failure to timely file the second quarter compensation report and that the fine in this matter should be waived.³

Order

Based on the foregoing facts and conclusions of law, the Commission hereby waives the assessed fine of \$200.

ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in public session on October 23, 2026.

Date Rendered

Jeremy M. Rodgers
Chair, Florida Commission on Ethics

³ We note that the Executive Branch Lobbyist Registration Office has indicted Appellant's sole lobbyist cancelled her executive branch lobbyist registration on September 14, 2026, after filing this appeal.

THIS ORDER CONSTITUTES FINAL AGENCY ACTION. ANY PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER HAS THE RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW UNDER SECTION 120.68, AND SECTION 112.3241, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY FILING A NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL PURSUANT TO RULE 9.110 FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE, WITH THE CLERK OF THE COMMISSION ON ETHICS, AT EITHER 325 JOHN KNOX ROAD, BUILDING E, SUITE 200, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303 OR P.O. DRAWER 15709, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32317-5709; AND BY FILING A COPY OF THE NOTICE OF APPEAL ATTACHED TO WHICH IS A CONFORMED COPY OF THE ORDER DESIGNATED IN THE NOTICE OF APPEAL ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPLICABLE FILING FEES WITH THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL. THE NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE THIS ORDER IS RENDERED.

Copies furnished to:

PolitiCALM
401 N. Rosemary Avenue
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Executive Branch Lobbyist Registration Office
Claude Pepper Building, Rm G-68
111 W. Madison Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-4990

JMR/gps

Schafer, Grayden

From: Murphy-Bunton, Karen
Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2026 12:29 PM
To: Schafer, Grayden
Cc: Stillman, Kerrie
Subject: FW: PolitiCALM – Appeal of \$200 Executive Branch Assessed Fine – 2026 Second Quarter
Attachments: PolitiCALM_Executive_Branch_Appeal_Complete.pdf

Gray and Kerrie:

The LRO received a timely appeal on August 31, 2026 related to PolitiCALM, late filing their 2026 Quarter 2 Executive Branch Compensation Report.

See the below email and attachment from Christina Romelus appealing the Executive Branch \$200 fine.

PolitiCALM received their one-time fine waiver on November 19, 2025 for late filing its 2025 Quarter 3 Compensation Report.

Please contact me for any additional information.

From: Christina Romelus
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2026 10:09 AM
To: Florida Lobbyist
Cc: COE-Disclosure ; Hello PolitiCALM
Subject: PolitiCALM – Appeal of \$200 Executive Branch Assessed Fine – 2026 Second Quarter

You don't often get email from christina@politicalm.com. [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear Members of the Florida Commission on Ethics:

Attached is PolitiCALM's appeal and request for a full waiver of the \$200 Executive Branch fine assessed for its second-quarter 2026 lobbying-firm compensation report. The appeal packet includes the signed letter and all supporting exhibits.

Please confirm receipt and advise if any additional information is required.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Christina L. Romelus, CEO

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August 31, 2026

Florida Commission on Ethics
P.O. Drawer 15709
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Re: Appeal and Request for One-Time Full Waiver of Executive Branch Assessed Fine
Firm: PolitiCALM
Reporting Period: Second Quarter—April 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026
Fine Amount: \$200
Notification Received: August 18, 2026

Dear Members of the Commission:

On behalf of PolitiCALM, I respectfully appeal the \$200 fine assessed for the late filing of our Executive Branch lobbying-firm compensation report for the second quarter of 2026. We request that the fine be waived in full under the statutory one-time fine-waiver provision.

To the best of our knowledge, this is PolitiCALM's first late-filed Executive Branch compensation report. The required report was submitted within 30 days after notification and reflected \$0 in compensation. Accordingly, PolitiCALM respectfully requests application of the one-time fine waiver authorized by section 112.3215(5)(d)4., Florida Statutes.

PolitiCALM provides limited lobbying services to one client, Digital Vibez, Inc., a nonprofit organization serving children and families. All lobbying services provided to Digital Vibez are performed pro bono. PolitiCALM did not receive, and is not owed, any compensation, reimbursement, retainer, or other income for these services during the reporting period. Accordingly, the compensation report reflected \$0.

I inadvertently missed the filing deadline because it coincided with the final and most demanding period of my campaign and election activities. During that time, I was managing a highly concentrated schedule of campaign obligations, public events, voter outreach, and election-related responsibilities. In the midst of those competing demands, the quarterly filing deadline was unintentionally overlooked.

I accept responsibility for the oversight. It was not an attempt to avoid the reporting requirement or conceal compensation. PolitiCALM received no lobbying income during the reporting period, and no compensation was omitted from the report.

The report was filed four days late. Upon recognizing the missed deadline, we immediately took corrective action and submitted the Executive Branch compensation report online on August 18, 2026, at 8:16 a.m. The report reflected \$0 in compensation. PolitiCALM received the Notification of Assessed Executive Branch Fine in the amount of \$200 on August 18, 2026.

We have since implemented additional compliance safeguards, including recurring quarterly calendar reminders, an internal filing deadline before the statutory deadline, a reporting checklist, and a requirement that the final electronic filing receipt be retained for every report.

PolitiCALM respectfully requests a full waiver based on the following:

1. This is the firm's first late-filed Executive Branch compensation report.
2. The report was submitted within the required 30-day corrective period.
3. The firm's lobbying services were provided entirely pro bono.
4. The firm received and was owed \$0 in compensation.
5. The report was only four days late and was submitted immediately after the oversight was recognized.
6. No compensation was omitted or concealed.
7. The firm has implemented procedures to prevent a recurrence.

Based on the foregoing, PolitiCALM respectfully requests that the \$200 fine be waived in full under the statutory one-time fine-waiver provision. Alternatively, PolitiCALM requests a full waiver for good cause pursuant to section 112.3215(5)(d), Florida Statutes, and Rule 34-12.407, Florida Administrative Code.

PolitiCALM requests a hearing before the Commission if a full waiver cannot be granted based on the written record. If the fine is fully waived without a hearing, we respectfully agree that the matter may be resolved through written disposition.

Thank you for your consideration. Please confirm receipt of this appeal and advise if any additional information is required.

Respectfully submitted,



Christina L. Romelus
Founder and CEO
PolitiCALM
401 N Rosemary Ave
West Palm Bch, FL 33401-4133
(561) 203-9442
christina@politicalm.com

Attachments:

1. Notification of Assessed Executive Branch Fine received August 18, 2026
2. Executive Branch Compensation Report submission confirmation dated August 18, 2026, at 8:16 a.m.
3. Documentation confirming the pro bono engagement with Digital Vibez, Inc.

Notification of Assessed Executive Branch Fine

External

Inbox x



LobbyistRegistrationInfo@mail.floridalobbyist.gov

to me ▾

Tue, Aug 18, 8:16 PM (7 days ago)



PolitiCALM.

Your Executive branch quarterly compensation report, due on 08/14/2026, was not filed until 8/18/2026. According to Section 112.3215(5)(d)1., F.S., you are assessed a fine of \$50 per day for each day the report was late. Your lobbying firm is fined in the amount of \$200.00, which is \$50 per day per report for each late day of 4 days.

Pursuant to Section 112.3215(5)(d)3., F.S., such fine must be paid within 30 days of this Notification of Assessed Fine being electronically mailed to you, unless appeal is made to the Lobbyist Registration Office. Payment may be submitted electronically by MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express. Click on the arrow next to Firm option at the top of your firm page. Select the fines option then proceed to pay by credit card or print an invoice and mail with a check to the LRO.

Section 112.3215(5)(d)5., F.S., provides that a lobbying firm may appeal or dispute a fine based upon circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date, and may request and is entitled to a hearing before the Commission on Ethics. Any such request must be made within 30 days of this Notification of Assessed Fine being electronically mailed to you. The lobbying firm shall notify this Office of his or her intention to request a hearing. A failure to timely file such notice will constitute a waiver of the right of appeal. The notice of appeal and/or request for hearing should be sent to:

Lobbyist Registration Office
111 West Madison Street
Pepper Building, G68
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(850) 922-4990

If the fine is not paid or appealed within the 30 day time period, pursuant to Section 112.3215(5)(d)6., F.S., all registrations of lobbyists who are partners, owners, officers or employees of the lobbying firm that fails to timely pay a fine are automatically suspended until the fine is paid or waived, and the Office shall promptly notify all affected principals of each suspension.

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Executive	April 01, 2026 - June 30, 2026	August 18, 2026 8:16 AM	Amend Report
Legislative	April 01, 2026 - June 30, 2026	August 18, 2026 8:09 AM	Amend Report
Executive	January 01, 2026 - March 31, 2026	April 01, 2026 1:47 PM	Amend Report
Legislative	January 01, 2026 - March 31, 2026	April 01, 2026 1:46 PM	Amend Report



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Step 5 - Compensation Report (Executive)

Created: 08/18/2026 8:12 pm, Last Updated: 08/18/2026 8:16 pm

Report Submitted on 8/18/2026 8:16:11 AM EST

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Verify the information in each section of the Compensation Report below.
Once all information is verified, enter the name and title of the certifying individual to submit the report below.

If the report needs to be restarted, click the "Delete" button below.

To save your report without submitting it, click the "Exit and Save for Later" button. The report will appear under "Reports in Progress" on the "Lobbying Firm Summary Page."

Step 1 - Reporting Period and Firm Information

April 01, 2026 - June 30, 2026 Executive Branch

Firm Information

PolitiCALM
401 N Rosemary Ave
West Palm Bch, FL 33401-4133
(561) 203-9442

Step 2 - Lobbying Firm's Registered Lobbyist(s)

- Christina Romelus

Step 3 - Principal(s) Represented

Principal	Information	Compensation
Digital Vibez, Inc	2635 Old Okreechokee Rd West Palm Bch, FL 33409-4146 (561) 847-4518	\$0.00

Subcontracting Firm(s) *None provided*

Step 4 - Total Compensation

Compensation: \$0.00

Certification

I hereby certify to the veracity and completeness of the information herein, that no reportable compensation has been omitted; and that no officer or employee of this lobbying firm has made an expenditure in violation of Section 112.3215, F.S.

Owner Christina Romelus

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Contact Us

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MEMORIALIZATION OF PRIOR PRO BONO SERVICES

Digital Vibez, Inc.



PolitiCALM

401 N. Rosemary Ave

West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Objective

Digital VibeZ, Inc., a nonprofit organization recognized under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, obtained government affairs and lobbying services from PolitiCALM LLC during the service period of October 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. Digital VibeZ empowers youth in diverse and underserved communities through dance fitness, technology, and the arts, providing children with avenues to maintain healthy and well-balanced lifestyles. This is achieved through activities and classes in health education, dance fitness, technology, and the arts. Founded by Wil Romelus in 2010, Digital VibeZ is a Platinum-level GuideStar organization..

Memorialization of Prior Oral Agreement

The parties acknowledge that they did not execute a written agreement at the beginning of or during the service period. This document is being executed on the actual dates shown with the parties' signatures solely to memorialize and confirm their prior oral understanding that PolitiCALM LLC would provide the services described herein to Digital VibeZ, Inc. on a pro bono basis from October 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. This document does not create a new payment obligation or retroactively change the parties' compensation arrangement.

Confirmation of Compensation: At no time before, during, or after the service period was Digital VibeZ, Inc. required or obligated to pay PolitiCALM LLC any fee, retainer, salary, reimbursement, success fee, or other compensation for the services described herein. No compensation or other thing of value was paid, provided, promised, or owed. The agreed compensation for the services was and remains \$0.

Scope of Service

1. Government Affairs Service:

- Advocate on behalf of *Digital Vibe* with local and state government officials in Palm Beach County during contract duration
- Conduct Legislative Affairs on behalf of *Digital Vibe* with Tallahassee legislators
- Conduct Government Affairs on behalf of *Digital Vibe* with local municipalities
- Arrange meetings with appropriate Legislative committee members/staff
- Draft support letters and obtain signatures from civic/political supporters
- Arrange meeting(s) with Governor's Office of Policy & Budget
- Draft and manage timely communications with relevant personnel
- Provide timely status updates to the CEO and/or their representative
- Coordinate with supportive partners

2. Lobbying Service:

- Collaborate with *Digital Vibe* leadership to create appropriation request
- Obtain legislative sponsor in the Florida House
- Obtain legislative sponsor in the Senate Chamber
- Draft & File appropriation request documents
- Manage the appropriations process in Tallahassee
- Lobby on behalf of *Digital Vibe* before the House, Senate & Executive branch
- Provide *Digital Vibe* support with the appropriations process through to completion

3. **Additional Services** outside the scope stated above will be performed only if requested by Digital Vibe and agreed to in writing by both parties. Any fee for additional services must be set forth in a separate written agreement signed before the additional work begins. No additional fee is authorized by this Agreement.

Timeline

October 2025:	Pre-Legislative Season (strategy + stakeholder outreach)
November–December 2025:	2026 Legislative Committee Weeks
January–March 2026:	2026 Legislative Session
April–June 2026:	Governor’s Budget Approval Process & Local Affairs

Cost & Specifications

Service Cost:

PRO BONO — \$0. PolitiCALM LLC will provide the services listed in this Agreement without charging Digital VibeZ any retainer, monthly payment, hourly fee, success fee, or other professional-service compensation.

Specifications:

- No payment schedule applies, and no professional-service payment is due under this Agreement;
- Digital VibeZ will not be required to make a donation, sponsorship payment, referral, political contribution, or future paid commitment in exchange for these services;
- PolitiCALM will not incur reimbursable expenses on behalf of Digital VibeZ without advance written approval. Any approved expense reimbursement will be limited to the actual documented cost and will not constitute payment for lobbying services; and
- This Agreement will terminate on June 30, 2026, unless terminated earlier in writing by either party.

Dear Wil,

At PolitiCALM, our mission is to bridge the gap between government and the communities we serve. PolitiCALM is a comprehensive government affairs organization that specializes in providing support to both the private & public sectors and facilitating coordination between these entities for the harmony of all residents involved.

Our objective in this agreement will be to help you successfully navigate the government landscape while simultaneously bringing awareness to your organization.

We look forward to working with you and will be attentive to your needs every step along the way!

Yours in Success,

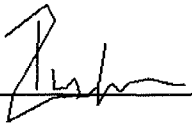
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CR', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Christina L. Romelus
CEO & Founder

Mutual Confirmation

By signing below using the actual date of signature, each party confirms that this document accurately memorializes the prior oral pro bono arrangement described above. The parties further confirm that the service period was October 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; the professional-service cost was \$0; and no compensation or other thing of value was paid, provided, promised, or owed to PolitiCALM LLC for the services described herein.

Digital VibeZ (Client)

Signature:  _____

Date 8/28/2026

Name: Wil Romelus

Title: Founder and CEO

PolitiCALM LLC (Agency)

Signature:  _____

Date 8/29/2026

Name: Christina Romelus

Title: CEO

PolitiCALM - Firm Detail

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This report was submitted to the Lobbyist Registration Office on 8/18/2026 8:16:11 AM Eastern Time.

Reporting Period

April 01, 2026 - June 30, 2026 Executive Branch Lobbying

Firm Information

PolitiCALM
401 N Rosemary Ave
West Palm Bch, FL 33401-4133
(561) 203-9442

Firm Lobbyist

Romelus, Christina

Principals and Compensation

Principal	Information	Compensation
Digital VibeZ, Inc	2635 Old Okeechobee Rd West Palm Bch FL 33409-4146 (561) 847-4518	\$0.00

Prime Contractor Firms

Prime Contractor Firm	Firm Information	Operating Principal	Principal Information
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Total Compensation

Total Compensation: \$0.00

Certification

I hereby certify to the veracity and completeness of the information herein; that no reportable compensation has been omitted; and that no officer or employee of this lobbying firm has made an expenditure in violation of Section 112.3215, F.S.

Christina Romelus, Owner

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Reminder to File Compensation Report Email

To: hello@politicalm.com;
Subject: Reminder to File Compensation Report
Date Sent: 7/1/2026 12:00:12 AM
Body:

COMPENSATION REPORT FILING DEADLINE

Lobbying firms must file their Executive branch quarterly compensation report(s) electronically for the quarter April 01 - June 30, 2026, no later than 11:59 pm EST on 8/14/2026.

To access the electronic filing system, go to <https://floridalobbyist.gov/>. Log in with the user name and password you established previously. Follow each step to submit the report successfully.

A report not filed by the deadline is a late-filed report and subject to penalties under Section 112.3215(5)(d)1., Florida Statutes. The fine for failing to file a report timely is \$50 per day per report for each day the report is late up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Contact the Lobbyist Registration Office at (850) 922-4990 for further assistance.

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Second Reminder to File Compensation Report Email

To: hello@politicalm.com;
Subject: Second Reminder to File Executive Branch Compensation Report
Date Sent: 8/9/2026 12:00:06 AM
Body:

COMPENSATION REPORT FILING DEADLINE

Lobbying firms must file their Executive branch quarterly compensation report(s) electronically for the quarter April 01 - June 30, 2026, no later than 11:59 pm EST on 8/14/2026.

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Failure to File Compensation Report Email and Courtesy Call Comments

to: hello@politicalm.com,
subject: Notification of Failure to File Executive Branch Lobbying Firm Compensation Report
date Sent: 8/15/2026 12:00:08 AM
body: PolitiCALM:

Pursuant to Section 112.3215(5), F.S., each lobbying firm shall file a quarterly compensation report no later than 45 days after the end of each reporting period for which one or more of a firm's lobbyists were registered to represent a principal. Your firm received two courtesy notices of the deadline -- the first on 07/01/2026 and the second on 08/09/2026. Your Executive quarterly compensation report, which was due on 8/14/2026, has not been received by the Lobbyist Registration Office.

Section 112.3215(5), F.S., requires that the Lobbyist Registration Office immediately notify the lobbying firm of its failure to file said report and that a fine is being assessed at \$50 per day per report for each late day.

Upon receipt of the quarterly compensation report, the Lobbyist Registration Office will notify you of the specific amount of the fine. Such fines must be paid to the Lobbyist Registration Office within 30 days after the Notification of Assessed Fine is electronically mailed to you unless an appeal is filed with the Office.

If you require further assistance, contact the Lobbyist Registration Office at (850) 922-4990 or help@floridalobbyist.gov.

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Comment

Attempted to reach Christina Romelus 2x at 561-203-9442. A recording stated that the number could not be completed as dialed. Patty attempted from her phone and received the same message. PolitiCALM website does not contain a phone number.

By **Date**

karenmb 08/17/2026 4:10
pm

Notification of Assessed Fine Email

To: hello@politicalm.com;
Subject: Notification of Assessed Executive Branch Fine
Date Sent: 8/18/2026 8:16:11 AM
Body: PolitiCALM

Your Executive branch quarterly compensation report, due on 08/14/2026, was not filed until 8/18/2026. According to Section 112.3215(5)(d)1., F.S., you are assessed a fine of \$50 per day for each day the report was late. Your lobbying firm is fined in the amount of \$200.00, which is \$50 per day per report for each late day of 4 days.

Pursuant to Section 112.3215(5)(d)3., F.S., such fine must be paid within 30 days of this Notification of Assessed Fine being electronically mailed to you, unless appeal is made to the Lobbyist Registration Office. Payment may be submitted electronically by MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express. Click on the arrow next to Firm option at the top of your firm page. Select the fines option then proceed to pay by credit card or print an invoice and mail with a check to the LRO.

Section 112.3215(5)(d)5., F.S., provides that a lobbying firm may appeal or dispute a fine based upon circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date, and may request and is entitled to a hearing before the Commission on Ethics. Any such request must be made within 30 days of this Notification of Assessed Fine being electronically mailed to you. The lobbying firm shall notify this Office of his or her intention to request a hearing. A failure to timely file such notice will constitute a waiver of the right of appeal. The notice of appeal and/or request for hearing should be sent to:

Lobbyist Registration Office
111 West Madison Street
Pepper Building, G68
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(850) 922-4990

If the fine is not paid or appealed within the 30 day time period, pursuant to Section 112.3215(5)(d)6., F.S., all registrations of lobbyists who are partners, owners, officers or employees of the lobbying firm that fails to timely pay a fine are automatically suspended until the fine is paid or waived, and the Office shall promptly notify all affected principals of each suspension.

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Notification Executive One-Time Fine Waiver

To: hello@politicalm.com;
Subject: Notification of the Executive Branch One-Time Fine Waiver
Date Sent: 11/19/2025 12:38:34 PM
Body:

Pursuant to Section 112.3215(5), F.S., each lobbying firm shall file a quarterly compensation report no later than 45 days after the end of each reporting period for which one or more of a firm's lobbyists were registered to represent a principal. Your firm's Executive branch report was not timely filed. According to Section 112.3215(5)(d)1., F.S., your lobbying firm could be assessed a fine of \$50 per day per report for each late day. However, pursuant to Section 112.3215(5)(d)4., F.S., your lobbying firm is entitled to a one-time fine waiver since its report was filed within 30 days after the Notice of Failure to File was transmitted to you and it is the first time any report was not timely filed by your lobbying firm.

This fine waiver will NOT be available for future filing periods, and a fine will be assessed for any subsequent late-filed reports.

If you have questions, contact the Lobbyist Registration Office at (850) 922-4990.

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Schafer, Grayden

From: Schafer, Grayden
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2026 3:23 PM
To: 'christina@politicalm.com'
Cc: Murphy-Bunton, Karen
Subject: Confirmation of Appeal
Attachments: PolitiCALM 11.19.2025 Notification Executive One-Time Fine Waiver.pdf

Good afternoon:

This email is to confirm that the Florida Commission on Ethics has received PolitiCALM's appeal of the fine for failing to timely file the executive branch lobbyist compensation report for the second quarter of 2026. While the appeal requests that the Commission apply the one-time fine waiver available in Section 112.3215(5)(d)4., Florida Statutes, our records indicate PolitiCALM already received that waiver in relation to the third quarter compensation report for 2025. Attached is an email sent to PolitiCALM in November 2025 concerning the one-time fine waiver.

The appeal will next be reviewed by Commission staff, and staff will contact you if more information is needed.

Thank you,

Gray Schafer
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Commission on Ethics
(850)-488-7864

Schafer, Grayden

From: Schafer, Grayden
Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2026 10:40 AM
To: 'hello@politicalm.com'
Cc: Murphy-Bunton, Karen
Subject: Confirmation of Appeal
Attachments: PolitiCALM 11.19.2025 Notification Executive One-Time Fine Waiver.pdf

Good morning:

Last week, I sent the email below to christina@politicalm.com confirming receipt of PolitiCALM's appeal of a fine for failing to timely file an executive branch lobbying compensation report. Upon reviewing the file, I noticed this alternate email address for PolitiCALM, and I wanted to forward on the prior message to make sure it was received. Please note, as described below and in the attached document, that PolitiCALM is not eligible for the one-time fine waiver in Section 112.3215(5)(d)4., Florida Statutes, as Commission records show that waiver was already provided in relation to a past report.

Please let me know if you have further questions.

Gray Schafer
Assistant General Counsel
Florida Commission on Ethics
(850)488-7864

From: Schafer, Grayden
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2026 3:23 PM
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Date Sent: 11/19/2025 12:38:34 PM

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This report was submitted to the Lobbyist Registration Office on 11/19/2025
12:38:34 PM Eastern Time.

Reporting Period

July 01, 2025 - September 30, 2025 Executive Branch Lobbying

Firm Information

PolitiCALM
401 N Rosemary Ave
West Palm Bch, FL 33401-4133
(561) 203-9442

Firm Lobbyist

Romelus, Christina

Principals and Compensation

Principal	Information	Compensation
Boca Helping Hands	1500 NW 1St Ct Boca Raton FL 33432-1720 (561) 417-0913	\$0.00
Digital Vibez, Inc	2635 Old Okeechobee Rd West Palm Bch FL	\$0.00

33409-4146
(561) 847-4518

Foot Print to Success Clubhouse, Inc.	8201 Pembroke Road Pembroke Pines FL 33025-2102 (561) 329-8487	\$0.00
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Scholar Career Coaching	3601 N Military Trail Suite 308 Boca Raton Florida 33431-5507 (561) 972-8210	\$0.00
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The Extraordinary Kids Foundation, Inc.	4220 Lake Worth Rd Lk Worth Bch FL 33461- 3933 (561) 660-6741	\$0.00
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Prime Contractor Firms

Prime Contractor Firm	Firm Information	Operating Principal	Principal Information
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Total Compensation

Total Compensation: \$0.00

Certification

I hereby certify to the veracity and completeness of the information herein;
that no reportable compensation has been omitted; and that no officer or
employee of this lobbying firm has made an expenditure in violation of
Section 112.3215, F.S.

Christina Romelus, Officer

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Contact Us

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Tallahassee, Florida
32399
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Websites

- flhouse.gov
- flsenate.gov
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- [Public Service Commission Nominating Council \(PSCNC\)](#)

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- [FAQs for Lobbyists before The Florida Legislature](#)
- [FAQs for Lobbyists before Executive Branch Agencies](#)
- [Application User Guide](#)

Schafer, Grayden

From: Murphy-Bunton, Karen
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2026 10:36 AM
To: Schafer, Grayden
Cc: Stillman, Kerrie
Subject: Christina Romelus with PolitiCALM Canceled Digital VibeZ, Inc Registration

Importance: High

See the below LRCRS Public Records screenshot displaying Christina Romelus canceled her Digital VibeZ, Inc registration on September 14, 2026.



2026 Executive Lobbyist Detail

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Christina Romelus

Mailing Address:

401 N Rosemary Ave
West Palm Bch, FL 33401-4133

Phone Number:

(561) 203-9442

Principals:

Digital Vibez, Inc

2635 Old Okeechobee Rd
West Palm Bch, FL 33409-4146
Industry Code: 813410 Civic associations
Effective Date: 1/6/2026 (Canceled: 09/14/26)

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