

**STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

Friday, July 26, 2024

*Third Floor Courtroom, First District Court of Appeal
2000 Drayton Drive
Tallahassee, Florida*

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

At 8:40 a.m. Chair Ashley Lukis called the meeting to order with the following members present:

WILLIAM P. CERVONE
TINA DESCOVICH
FREDDIE FIGGERS
LUIS M. FUSTÉ
ASHLEY LUKIS
WENGAY M. NEWTON, SR.

Michelle Anchors and Laird A. Lile were absent from the meeting.

The presence of a quorum was noted.

Commissioner Newton, seconded by Commissioner Cervone, moved to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2024, Public Session meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

REPORT ON ELECTRONIC FILING

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman updated the Commission on the successful relaunch of e-filing, and updated the Commission with the financial disclosure compliance numbers for the current filing year. She acknowledged Office of Legislative Information Technology Services (OLITS) key members of the IT team Julie Gowan, Tricia Atchley, and Jessica Biggers and individually named all members of the e-filing team for their hard work on the Electronic Financial Disclosure Management System (EFDMS).

CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION – JOINT STIPULATION

Complaint No. 23-221, In re KEN J. MASCARA

Present were R. Wayne Evans, Attorney for the Respondent; and Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Hadley summarized the proposed joint stipulation calling for a finding of Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, and a recommended penalty of public censure and reprimand, and a civil penalty of \$5,000.

Mr. Evans was heard by the Commission.

Commissioner Newton, seconded by Commissioner Cervone, moved to approve the proposed joint stipulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF PETITION FOR COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES

Complaint No. 24-054, In re FRED TRICKER

Present was Fred Tricker, Repondent.

Staff Attorney Katharine Heyward recommended that the petition be dismissed.

Mr. Tricker was heard by the Commission.

Commissioner Fusté, seconded by Commissioner Cervone, moved to dismiss the petition. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE APPEALS

NO HEARING

No one was present for any of the appeals.

FD22-001, In re JORGE SANCHEZ
FD20-062, In re WESLEY HODGE
FD21-009, In re C. EDWARD CARTER
FD21-011, In re JONATHAN T. LEVY
FD21-013, In re GINA MCDOWELL
FD21-015, In re DAMIAN BRINK

Commissioner Fusté, seconded by Commissioner Descovich, moved to approve the staff's recommendations. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF 2025 MEETINGS AND DEADLINES

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman explained the 2025 Meeting Schedule and Deadlines. There were no objections from the Commission.

Commissioner Descovich, seconded by Commissioner Newton, moved to adopt the 2025 Meeting Schedule and Deadlines. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

REPORTS

The Chair had no report.

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman elaborated on her written Executive Director's report previously provided to the Commissioners. She also introduced new part-time clerk Emma Wade.

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further items on the agenda, the Public Session adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

Diana Westberry, *Secretary*

Ashley Lukis, *Chair*

Date