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AGENDA

Date and Time: 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 7, 2010
Location: Room E1.014, Capitol Extension, Austin, Texas

1. Call to order; roll call.
2. Communication to the commission from the public.
3. Comments by the commissioners.
4. Comments by the executive director.
 - a. Legislative Appropriations Request
5. Approve minutes of the October 21, 2010, commission meeting.
6. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce certain penalties assessed for late filing of campaign finance reports, lobby reports, or personal financial statements for the following individuals:

James H. 'Brud' Adams, Jr.	Jessica R. Hornsby	Kirk Tiner
Mae C. Jemison, M.D.	Mohammed K. Nasrullah	Robert C. 'Rob' Werstler
Cynthia Phillips 'Cindy' Finley	Jennifer K. Ahrens	John R. Coppedge
Elena Blake	Blake H. Bailey	Marc Katz
Barbara Effenberger	Lawrence Collins	P. Allan Port
Charlie C. Gustin	Teresa M. Doyle	David Webb
Wesley G. 'Wes' Johnson	Nancy Hall	Kenneth F. Sheets
Dave Marcinkowski	Casetra Lee 'Casey' McKinney	Oscar J. Palma, Jr.
Mary E. Tucker	Robert McCreary	Kiran H. Shah
Helene W. Webster	Michael L. 'Mike' Oldham	Brian W. Holk
Felix Botello	Michael Kumar Sinha	Sylvia Barnes
Susie M. Infante	Dale B. Tillery	

7. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce late-filing penalties in connection with certain corrected reports or to determine whether certain corrected reports as originally filed substantially complied with the applicable law for the following individuals:

Patricia L. 'Lynn' Cherry	Lisa A. Millard	Thomas R. Phillips
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Dora Elia Galvan
Fritz Lanham Lyne, Jr.

Ralph E. 'Gene' Roberts, Jr.
Steven J. Schultz

Patricia F. Botello
Edward McSpedon

Discussion and possible action in response to the following Advisory Opinion Draft:

8. AOR-555: Whether a conclusion that an expense is "reimbursable with public money" for purposes of sections 251.001(4) and (9) of the Election Code requires that public funds be appropriated or otherwise available to cover the expense.
9. Public discussion and possible action on Ethics Advisory Opinion No. 484 (issued August 2009).
10. Report from the subcommittee of commissioners and possible action on recommendations for statutory changes to the 82nd Legislature as required by section 571.073 of the Government Code.
11. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal or adoption and publication in the Texas Register of an amendment to Ethics Commission Rule § 50.1 (Legislative Per Diem) relating to the legislative per diem required to be set under Article III, Section 24a, of the Texas Constitution.
12. Presentation of the Nominating Committee report regarding the positions of Chair and Vice Chair of the Texas Ethics Commission. Election of Chair and Vice Chair of the Texas Ethics Commission.
13. Adjourn.

CERTIFICATION: I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements.

Certifying Official: David A. Reisman, Executive Director

Agency Liaison: Natalia Luna Ashley, General Counsel

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