



## TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

### Public Meeting Minutes

August 30, 2012, 8:34 a.m.

Capitol Extension, Room E1.010, Austin, Texas 78701



**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Tom Ramsay, Chair; Jim Clancy, Vice Chair; Hugh C. Akin, Tom Harrison, Paul W. Hobby, Bob Long, Paula M. Mendoza, and Chase Untermeyer.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Natalie Adelaja, Natalia L. Ashley, Amy Barden, Lauren Bellomy, Margie Castellanos, Homer Diaz, Robbie Douglas, Sue Edwards, Nick Espinosa, Jessie Haug, Brad Johnson, Becky Levy, Bobby Mannas, Mike McElhaney, David A. Reisman, Tim Sorrells, Ian Steusloff, and Mary Young.

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## MINUTES

This meeting was recorded. These minutes are a summary record of the Commission's actions at the meeting. For a detailed record of discussions and statements made by persons speaking at the meeting, please consult the audio recordings on file at the Commission's office.

**Agenda Item 1: Call to order; roll call.**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ramsay. David A. Reisman, Executive Director, called the roll. All Commissioners were present, except for Commissioner Harrison, who was delayed.

**Agenda Item 2: Communication to the Commission from the public.**

Tom Swearingen spoke before the Commission regarding electronic filing issues, timely filing, and late-filing fees for local filers. He stated that he was concerned about whether there was any follow-up to see that reports are being filed locally. Mr. Swearingen also stated that he had come to see what the Commission is doing and for the opportunity to speak before the Commission.

**Agenda Item 3: Comments by the Commissioners.**

None.

**Agenda Item 4: Comments by the executive director.**

David A. Reisman, Executive Director, made the following comments:

1. Mr. Reisman stated that a former employee, Lisa Noblin, had passed away. He stated that Lisa had worked in Disclosure Filings for over 20 years. Mr. Reisman expressed sympathy to Lisa's parents and family.
2. Mr. Reisman discussed e-mail notices. He stated that in 2009, the legislature changed the rules to allow the Commission to send filing notifications by e-mail. He stated that over half the filers were on the e-mail notification list. Mr. Reisman then stated that the Commission has the ability to send notices, surveys, educational materials, filer tips, and other information to filers by e-mail. He further stated that this has improved filing compliance tremendously.

**Agenda Item 5: Approve minutes of the June 6, 2012, Executive Session and the June 6, 2012, Commission meeting.**

Motion by Commissioner Untermeyer to adopt the minutes of the June 6, 2012, Executive Session and the June 6, 2012, Commission meeting, second by Commissioner Mendoza. **Motion passed by a vote of seven ayes.**

**Agenda Item 6: Presentation and discussion on the duties and responsibilities of the Public Integrity Unit of the Travis County District Attorney's Office. Presentation by Gregg Cox, Director of the Public Integrity Unit.**

Greg Cox, Director, Public Integrity Unit, Assistant District Attorney, Travis County District Attorney's Office spoke before the Commission. He gave an overview of the unit, what they do, how the unit is organized, and their responsibilities. Mr. Cox stated that the unit is a division of the district attorney's office, is funded by the state, and is organized into four sections – General State Government Investigation, Motor Vehicle Tax Fraud, Insurance Fraud, and Workers Compensation Fraud. He then stated that the general state government unit handles financial crimes where the state is the victim of fraud or a financial offense that occurred in Travis County. Mr. Cox further stated that the area that receives more publicity involves public corruption in which some cases involve the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Texas Constitution. He also stated that the unit gets referrals from several state agencies and from the public. Mr. Cox then explained the process followed in a formal investigation.

**Agenda Item 7: Presentation, discussion, and possible action on the FY 2012-13 Legislative Appropriations Request of the Texas Ethics Commission. Presentation by David A. Reisman, Executive Director.**

David A. Reisman presented this agenda item. He stated that the Commission is preparing a report for the Legislative Budget Board (LBB). Mr. Reisman discussed the strategies and that he had asked the LBB to revise the strategies to better reflect what the Commission does. He discussed the breakdown of the budget regarding funding for disclosure filings, enforcement, legal guidance and opinions, central administration, and information resources. Mr. Reisman then discussed the exceptional items requests – electronic filing software system, staff retention, and exempt salary positions. Commissioner Untermeyer moved to include a request for \$50,000 for education of regulated community; second by Commissioner Akin. Motion passed by a vote of seven ayes. **The request for \$50,000 to be included in the exceptional requests to the LBB was adopted.**

**Agenda Item 8: Report from the subcommittee of commissioners on the investigation and prosecution of persons or entities who fail to register with the Texas Ethics Commission as required by law.**

Commissioner Mendoza presented this agenda item. She stated that at this time there were outstanding questions. Commissioner Mendoza also stated that the Commission should request information from other organizations and individuals on what they are doing. The subcommittee will reconvene once the Commission gets all the information. She requested that notes on this agenda item should be given to Commissioner Harrison since he was not present during this agenda item. Jack Gullahorn, President, Professional Advocacy Association of Texas, spoke before the Commission. He stated that his organization supports strong lobby registration reporting requirements. Mr. Gullahorn stated that the laws and rules should be clear and understandable. He then discussed some of the Sunset Advisory Commission recommendations regarding the lobby 5% rule, preparatory time, and goodwill communications. He suggested that those issues could be clarified by rulemaking. Mr. Gullahorn further discussed the current filing requirements and statutory exceptions.

Commissioner Harrison arrived.

Edward M. Shack, attorney, spoke before the Commission. He stated that the 5% rule was created in the fall of 1991 (pre-Commission), as they did not want everyone to need to register as a lobbyist. They wanted to encourage participation in legislative day, for example, without the need to register.

**Agenda Item 9: Report from the subcommittee of commissioners on recommendations for statutory changes to the 83rd Legislature as required by section 571.073 of the Government Code.**

This agenda item was tabled until the next Commission meeting. There was no objection.

**For Agenda Item 10, the following represents the actions taken by the Ethics Commission in the order they occurred during the meeting.**

**Agenda Item 10: 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.**

**MEMO #1**

**1. Ruth J. Blake (00019771)  
Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**2. Lisa Burkhalter (00061557)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**3. Elizabeth E. Coker (00037449)**  
**District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**4. David F. Crain (00066263)**  
**District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**5. John H. Jackson (00033086)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**6. Tim Johnson (00066590)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**7. Eleanor Janice Law (00032205)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**8. Bob McGrath (00020488)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**9. Kerry Ormson (00055624)**  
**Member, State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**10. Rissie L. Owens (00035423)**  
**Member, Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**11. Veldon Lane Rawlins (00066813)**  
**President, University of North Texas**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**12. Larry E. Temple (00054538)**  
**Executive Director, Texas Workforce Commission**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**13. Michael E. ‘Mike’ Welborn (00051860)**  
**District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**14. Paul Womack (00032335)**  
**Court of Criminal Appeals Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**15. Sharolyn P. Wood (00020894)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**16. Leslie B. Yates (00025799)**  
**Senior Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**17. Bruce Hermann (00068360)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 - waive

**18. Brian England (00067303)**  
**Member, Texas Private Security Board**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**19. Calvert T. ‘Tucker’ Anderson (00068324)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100

**20. Miguel ‘Mike’ Herrera (00042213)**  
**District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100

**21. Delwin Jones (00020196)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100

**22. Thomas G. ‘Tom’ Maynard (00067939)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100

- 23. Travis A. Motley (00061424)**  
**Member, Texas State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 24. Antonio M. Rodriguez (00032177)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 25. Rebecca Spurlock (00061402)**  
**Member, Advisory Board of Athletic Trainers**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 26. Dwayne B. Stovall (00068148)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 27. J. Michael Bell, Sr. (00037109)**  
**Member, Texas Growth Fund Board of Trustees**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – no waiver
- 28. Albert L. Black (00056899)**  
**Member, Texas Private Security Board**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 29. Louis Alan Bronaugh (00061663)**  
**Member, Angelina & Neches River Authority**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

- 30. Samuel Lee Bryant (00062517)**  
**Member, Texas Southern University Board of Regents**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 31. Enrique Castro (00061551)**  
**Member, Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 32. Caroline Kupstas Daley (00061288)**  
**Member, Governing Board of the Texas School for the Blind & Visually Impaired**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 33. Janet Suzanne Hall (00053418)**  
**Member, Texas State Board of Examiners of Dietitians**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 34. Robert W. ‘Bobby’ Jenkins, Jr. (00067695)**  
**Member, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 35. Alfredo Silva (00059493)**  
**Member, University of North Texas System Board of Regents**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 36. G. Alan Waldrop (00039778)**  
**Member, State Securities Board**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

Gardner Pate spoke before the Commission.



- 37. Donna N. Williams (00065063)**  
**Member, Texas State University System Board of Regents**
- Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250
- 44. Robert D. ‘Bob’ Behrens (00067562)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 45. Randel W. ‘Randy’ Brown (00067984)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 46. Barbara Buxton (00058757)**  
**Treasurer, ‘CFRW’ Cy-Fair Republican Women PAC**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 47. Cari Christman (00067711)**  
**Treasurer, Texans for Corbin Van Arsdale**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$600 – waive
- 48. Baltasar D. Cruz (00061787)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 49. Charles C. ‘Brick’ Dickerson (00068276)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

- 50. Gwen Evans (00043058)**  
**Treasurer, 'HCRW PAC' Hill County Republican Women PAC**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$1,400 – waive
- 51. Elizabeth M. 'Lib' Grimmett (00067622)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$600 – waive
- 52. Elizabeth 'Liz' Phillips (00031996)**  
**Treasurer, 'TxTPAC' Texas Tea Party Republican Women PAC**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 4, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,600 – waive
- 53. Gloria Saldana (00051549)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 54. Iva L. Sheetz (00053164)**  
**Treasurer, 'FLRWC PAC' First Ladies Republican Womens Club PAC**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$600 – waive
- 55. Laurie J. Turner (00067606)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 56. Douglas L. Weiskopf (00068250)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$900 – waive

- 57. Justin T. Williams (00065610)**  
Treasurer, 'DSYD' Dallas Stonewall Young Democrats
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 12, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 58. Jose O. Castillo (00062110)**  
**Candidate, Criminal District Court Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 59. Brian E. Chester (00059203)**  
**Treasurer, 'ASAT-PAC' American Subcontractors Association of Texas PAC**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 60. Wayne Faircloth (00067849)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 61. Daryl Dauer (00016357)**  
**Treasurer, Texas Gulf Coast PAC**
- Report: monthly report due June 5, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 - waive
- 62. Veronica Farias (00051297)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 - waive
- 63. Robert Howard (00062412)**  
**Treasurer, 'STPRPAC' South Texans' Property Rights Political Action Committee**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$700 - waive

- 64. Mrs. Clyde Pittman (00017262)**  
**Treasurer, 'IRWC' Irving Republican Women's Club**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 - waive
- 65. David M. Diaz (00066251)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 66. Carlos O. Garcia (00067251)**  
**Candidate, District Attorney**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 67. Gustavo C. Ruiz (00067677)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 68. Antonio F. 'Tony' San Roman (00051845)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$100
- 69. Michael C. Barnes (00066748)**  
**Candidate, County Party Chair**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200
- 70. Patricia L. 'Pat' Carlson (00054721)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200

- 71. Paul J. Gebolys (00054569)**  
**Treasurer, 'C.C.M.C.' Conservative Coalition of Montgomery County**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200
- 72. Diane Rosaura Navarrete (00067826)**  
**Candidate, Criminal District Court Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200
- 73. William J. Stevens (00039217)**  
**Lobbyist**
- Report: lobby activities report due April 10, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200
- 74. William O. 'Bill' Wallace, Jr. (00067757)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200
- 75. Donald L. 'Don' Williams (00040992)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**
- Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$200
- 76. Gena M. Godinez (00036435)**  
**Treasurer, 'West Texas Home PAC' West Texas Home Builders PAC**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive
- 77. Ronald H. Ritter (00056005)**  
**Treasurer, 'GPGG' Galveston Pilots for Good Government**
- Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

**78. Barney McClure (00042936)**  
**Treasurer, 'VATAT PAC' Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

Barney McClure spoke before the Commission.

**79. Martin Needham Lee (00063667)**  
**Member, Upper Colorado River Authority**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**80. Gregory D. Compean (00068305)**  
**Director, Harris County – Houston Sports Authority**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**81. Richard A. McLeon, IV (00067002)**  
**Member, Texas Veterans Commission**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**82. Christie McAdams Leedy (00067482)**  
**Member, Texas State Board of Dental Examiners**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**83. Carlos R. Chacon (00065204)**  
**Member, Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**84. Joe M. Gurecky (00059722)**  
**Member, Texas State Technical College System Board of Regents**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – waive

**85. Frank 'Tom' Perini (00067325)**  
**Member, Texas Historical Commission**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – waive

Motion by Vice Chair Clancy to adopt staff's recommendations on Agenda Item 10, numbers 1 through 37 and 44 through 85; second by Commissioner Long. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 10, numbers 1 through 6, 8 through 14, 16 through 37, 44 through 85. Motion passed by a vote of seven ayes on Agenda Item 10, numbers 7 and 15. Commissioner Untermeyer recused himself. **Staff's recommendations are adopted on Agenda Item 10, numbers 1 through 37 and 44 through 85.**

**38. Abel G. Bosquez (00065893)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

**39. Rasuali D. 'Bray' Bray (00068283)**  
**Candidate, State Senate**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

**40. Pam Foster Fletcher (00054440)**  
**District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

**41. Charles E. Morgan (00066271)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

Charles Morgan spoke before the Commission.

**42. Eric V. Moyé (00020591)**  
**District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

Eric Moyé spoke before the Commission.

**43. Eristeo J. Perez (00068129)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012

Penalty: \$500 – reduce to \$250

Motion by Vice Chair Clancy to waive the late-filing penalties on Agenda Item 10, numbers 38 through 43; second by Commissioner Hobby. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 10, numbers 38 through 43. **The waivers of the late-filing penalties are adopted on Agenda Item 8, numbers 38 through 43.**

**MEMO #2**

**1. Oscar L. Longoria, Jr. (00068271)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: special pre-election report due May 24, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**2. Daniel G. Altman (00029533)**  
**Treasurer, Republican Party of Ellis County, Local (CEC)**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$250

**3. Keny Michael Apodaca (00067855)**  
**Treasurer, El Paso Young Democrats PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$250

**4. Joel P. Killingsworth (00017321)**  
**Treasurer, Houston Chapter Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$250



**5. Christopher L. 'Chris' Scotti (00067861)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$250

**6. Patrick J. Dixon (00055583)**  
**State Party Chair**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due June 1, 2012  
Penalty: \$800  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

Patrick Dixon spoke before the Commission.

**7. Mike J. Cervantes (00040957)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$1,400  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**8. Richard Contreras (00037749)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,300  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**9. Mohammed K. Nasrullah (00040715)**  
**Treasurer, 'BAND' Bay Area New Democrats**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,400  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**10. Miriam Eliza Martinez (00067950)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,600  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**11. William Eugene 'Bill' Parham (00037774)  
District Attorney**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$600  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**12. Hector Enriquez (00067783)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**13. Miguel 'Mike' Herrera (00042213)  
District Judge**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**14. Dora G. Alcala (00055943)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**15. Zachary S. Maloney (00067759)  
Candidate, District Judge**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**16. Sharon K. Martin (00028792)  
Treasurer, 'DOL' Daughters of Liberty Republican Women**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**17. Scott Liebling (00067398)  
Treasurer, Balance PAC**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**18. Bob Bagley (00067866)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**19. Sharon Hemphill (00067872)  
Candidate, District Judge**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**Agenda Item 10, number 19, postponed at filer's request.**

**20. Charles Reed Greene (00067753)  
Candidate, District Judge**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**21. Jack W. Pulcher (00068130)  
Candidate, District Judge**

a) Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

b) Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,700  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Total penalties: \$3,200

Motion by Vice Chair Clancy to accept staff's recommendations on Agenda Item 10, numbers 1 through 18, 20, and 21; second by Commissioner Harrison. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 10, numbers 1

through 18, 20, and 21. **Staff's recommendations are adopted on Agenda Item 10, numbers 1 through 18, 20, and 21.**

**22. Jane Kilcrease Adams (00068139)**  
**Treasurer, Committee for Judicial Integrity**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$600

Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**23. Sylvia Garza-Perez (00068412)**  
**Candidate, County Party Chair**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$900

Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**24. Swati N. Patel (00065303)**  
**Treasurer, New American PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$2,200

Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**25. Delton G. Thrasher (00064604)**  
**Treasurer, 'TCLEA/PAC' Tarrant County Law Enforcement Association PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$2,500

Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**26. Jerry Nevlud (00015573)**  
**Treasurer, 'Houston AGC PAC' Houston Associated General Contractors PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$2,700

Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**27. Lloyd E. Sandefer (00067651)**  
**Treasurer, 'CPFA PAC' Conroe Professional Firefighters Association – PAC**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 12, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**28. David B. Lewis (00058253)**  
**Candidate, Court of Appeals Justice**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**29. Jack C. Lee (00068288)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**30. Norma H. Kaehler (00016651)**  
**Treasurer, American Airlines PAC**

a) Report: 30-day pre-election report due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

b) Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$1,900  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Total penalties: \$2,400

**Agenda Item 10, number 30, postponed at filer's request.**

**31. Paula Colvin Hand (00067734)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: semiannual report due January 17, 2012  
Penalty: \$1,500 (increased at the April 2012 meeting)  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**32. Marlon C. Rollins (00067756)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: semiannual report due January 17, 2012  
Penalty: \$1,500 (increased at the April 2012 meeting)  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**33. Todd M. Smith (00067678)**  
**Treasurer, Peace Officers for Perry**

Report: semiannual report due January 17, 2012  
Penalty: \$1,500 (increased at the April 2012 meeting)  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**34. Katherine Brooks Carroll (00066854)**  
**Lobbyist**

Report: lobby activities report due May 10, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**35. John Robert Marlow (00052477)**  
**Lobbyist**

Report: lobby activities report due April 10, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**36. Raul G. Martinez (00010272)**  
**Lobbyist**

Report: lobby activities report due April 10, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**37. Fred Maldonado (00062106)**  
**Lobbyist**

Report: lobby activities report due May 10, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**38. Stephen Saloom (00057243)**  
**Lobbyist**

Report: lobby activities report due March 12, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**39. Gerald W. 'Jerry' LaFleur (00058924)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$250

**40. Michael E. McLelland (00028614)**  
**Criminal District Attorney**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**41. Rich Gray (00066569)**  
**Member, Prescribed Burning Board**

Report: personal financial statement due April 30, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**42. Wanda Adams (00068056)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**43. Karren S. Price (00020666)**  
**Candidate, District Attorney**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**44. Jana Duty Hunsicker (00068379)**  
**Candidate, District Attorney**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**45. Ross Kurtz (00068388)**  
**Candidate, District Attorney**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**46. Joe S. Cotten (00068368)**  
**Candidate, Railroad Commissioner**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**47. Antonio Benavides (00068194)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**48. James C. Mosser (00068083)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**49. Gregory Parker (00050585)**  
**Candidate, Railroad Commissioner**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**50. Gail A. Spurlock (00068044)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation



**53. Gloria Saldana (00051549)  
Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**54. John A. Alaniz (00062504)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**55. Jessica Siegel (00068068)  
Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**56. Philip Cortez (00067628)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**57. Donna Campbell (00067809)  
Candidate, State Senate**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**60. Jared Leiman (00068367)  
Candidate, State Senate**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

**62. Terri H. Green (00067944)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 (no waiver at June 2012 meeting)  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Motion by Vice Chair Clancy to postpone on Agenda Item 10, numbers 22 through 50, 53 through 57, 60, and 62; second by Commissioner Long. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 10, numbers 22 through 50, 53 through 57, 60, and 62. **Agenda Item 10, numbers 22 through 50, 53 through 57, 60, and 62 are postponed to the next meeting.**

**51. Edward Andres 'Eddie' Casanova (00067858)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Edward Casanova spoke before the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Hobby to reduce the \$500 late-filing penalty to \$250 on Agenda Item 10, number 51; second by Commissioner Harrison. Motion passed by a vote of six ayes on Agenda Item 10, number 51. Chair Ramsay and Commissioner Akin voted no. **The reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$250 is adopted on Agenda Item 10, number 51.**

**52. Laurie J. Turner (00067606)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Laurie Turner spoke before the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Harrison to waive the \$500 late-filing penalty on Agenda Item 10, number 52; second by Commissioner Untermeyer. Motion passed by a vote of seven ayes on Agenda Item 10, number 52. Commissioner Hobby voted no. **The waiver of the late-filing penalty is adopted on Agenda Item 10, number 52.**

**58. Joseph F. 'Joe' Vinas, IV (00067233)**  
**Candidate, District Judge**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Joseph Vinas spoke before the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Long to waive the \$500 late-filing penalty on Agenda Item 10, number 58; second by Vice Chair Clancy. Motion passed by a vote of seven ayes on Agenda Item 10, number 58. Commissioner Akin voted no. **The waiver of the late-filing penalty is adopted on Agenda Item 10, number 58.**

**59. Deborah Linda Parrish (00066286)  
Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Deborah Parrish spoke before the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Untermeyer to reduce the \$500 late-filing penalty to \$100 on Agenda Item 10, number 59; second by Commissioner Long. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 10, number 59. **The reduction of the late-filing penalty is adopted on Agenda Item 10, number 59.**

**61. Judith A. 'Judy' Jennings (00065429)  
Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: personal financial statement due April 18, 2012  
Penalty: \$500 (no waiver at June 2012 meeting)  
Staff recommendation: no recommendation

Judith Jennings spoke before the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Harrison to waive the \$500 late-filing penalty on Agenda Item 10, number 61; second by Commissioner Akin. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 10, number 61. **The waiver of the late-filing penalty is adopted on Agenda Item 10, number 61.**

**Agenda Item 16. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal or adoption and publication in the Texas Register of amendments and/or repeals to Ethics Commission Rules §§ 18.23 (Administrative Waiver of Fine), 18.24 (Personal Financial Statement Administrative Waiver and Reduction of Fines), 18.25 (Administrative Waiver and Reduction of Fines (Other than Personal Financial Statements)), and 18.27 (Sworn Complaints).**

Natalia L. Ashley, Special Counsel, briefed the Commission on this agenda item. Vice Chair Clancy stated that the Commission has been charged with increasing the public's trust in its elected and appointed officials and that part of that responsibility included administering a public disclosure system of personal financial statements, campaign/officeholder reports, and reports of lobbying activity. He further stated that timely disclosure of such information was critical to proper operation of the system. Vice Chair Clancy then discussed his potential guidelines for late-filing penalties. He stated that there would be three categories of filers and five levels of penalties for late filing.

Commissioner Untermeyer suggested creating different levels of penalties based on a time-frame. Commissioner Mendoza suggested that requests for waiver be processed based on current rules. Motion by Commissioner Mendoza to amend Ethics Commission Rule § 18.23 to include unopposed candidates who filed the personal financial statement before the primary election, and direct staff to apply the Commission's proposed guidelines for late-filing penalties to reports considered at the next meeting; second by Commissioner Hobby. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes. **Sections 18.23, 18.24, 18.25, and 18.27 of the Ethics Commission Rules are tabled. Ethics Commission Rule § 18.23 to be amended.**

**Agenda Item 11: 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.**

**1. Tom Banning (00016860)  
Treasurer, Texas Academy Of Family Physicians PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**2. Sonal S. Bhuchar (00067545)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable

**3. Ricardo Aaron Barraza (00068088)  
Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**4. Theresa 'TC' Caballero (00060651)  
Candidate, Criminal District Court Judge**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$2,000

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

- 5. Lori L. Cook (00066975)**  
**Treasurer, 'KCTPP' Kaufman County TEA Party Patriots**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$900  
Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law
- 6. Karen P. Felthouser (00016894)**  
**Treasurer, Williamson County Democratic Party PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,900  
Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law
- 7. Gwendolyn Fleming (00016515)**  
**Treasurer, Texas Right To Life PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 4, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,100  
Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law
- 8. Richard A. Ivey (00064041)**  
**Treasurer, Texas Events PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$2,500  
Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law
- 9. Matthew H. 'Matt' Krause (00065897)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law
- 10. Eugene L. McKenzie (00064956)**  
**Treasurer, 'TCL PAC' Texas Consumer Lenders PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$800  
Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**11. Leslie Midgley (00016375)  
Treasurer, Texas Land Title Assn. PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$2,100

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**12. Andres Muro (00068206)  
Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**13. Kerry L. Neves (00036324)  
Candidate, District Judge**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$2,100

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**14. Elizabeth Phillips (00031996)  
Treasurer, 'TxTPAC' Texas Tea Party Republican Women PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$1,100

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**15. Kelton G. Seliger (00052862)  
State Senator**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$600

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**16. Cindy A. Stachiw (00016223)  
Treasurer, 'PRW - PAC' Plano Republican Women - PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**17. Michael Lee Steenbergen (00068154)**  
**Treasurer, 'GEN PAC' Generationist Political Action Committee**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

**18. Laurie J. Turner (00067606)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: that the original report substantially complied with the applicable law

Laurie Turner spoke before the Commission. Motion by Commissioner Akin to adopt staff's recommendations on Agenda Item 11, numbers 1 through 18; second by Commissioner Untermeyer. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 11, numbers 1 through 18. **Staff's recommendations are adopted on Agenda Item 11, numbers 1 through 18.**

**19. Donna Campbell (00067809)**  
**Candidate, State Senator**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$600

Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

**20. Warren D. Chisum (00019919)**  
**Candidate, Railroad Commissioner**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

**21. Walter W. 'Wayne' Christian (00032395)**  
**State Representative**

Report: special pre-election report due May 25, 2012

Penalty: \$500

Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

**22. Nicole D. Collier (00067957)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

**23. Martha C. Hulsey (00052986)**  
**Treasurer, Ector County Democratic Club**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

**24. Michael Q. Sullivan (00061927)**  
**Treasurer, Empower Texans PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

**25. William G. 'Bill' Whitehill (00067612)**  
**Candidate, Court of Appeals Justice**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
Penalty: \$600  
Staff recommendation: waiver of the late-filing penalty

Motion by Commissioner Untermeyer to adopt staff's recommendations on Agenda Item 11, numbers 19 through 25; second by Commissioner Long. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 11, numbers 19 through 25. **Staff's recommendations are adopted on Agenda Item 11, numbers 19 through 25.**

**26. Gustavo C. Ruiz (00067677)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**

Report: special pre-election report due May 29, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty

**27. Todd A. Smith (00032415)**  
**Candidate, State Senator**

Report: special pre-election report due May 22, 2012  
Penalty: \$500  
Staff recommendation: no waiver of the late-filing penalty



Motion by Commissioner Untermeyer to adopt staff's recommendations on Agenda Item 11, numbers 26 and 27; second by Commissioner Harrison. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 11, numbers 26 and 27. **Staff's recommendations are adopted on Agenda Item 11, numbers 26 and 27.**

**28. John Bass (00053011)**

**Treasurer, 'NUCOR PAC OF TEXAS' Nucor Corporation Political Action Committee of Texas**

a) Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 4, 2012  
 Penalty: \$3,200  
 Staff recommendation: that the report substantially complies with the applicable law

b) Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012 (original report filed late)  
 Penalty: \$6,200  
 Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$1,200

Total penalties: \$9,400                      Recommended total penalties: \$1,200

**29. D. Alex Mills (00058143)**

**Treasurer, 'TAOG PAC' Texas Alliance Oil and Gas PAC**

Report: 8-day pre-election report due May 21, 2012  
 Penalty: \$600  
 Staff recommendation: reduction of the late-filing penalty to \$500

Motion by Commissioner Akin to adopt staff's recommendations on Agenda Item 11, numbers 28 and 29; second by Commissioner Mendoza. Motion passed by a vote of seven ayes on Agenda Item 11, number 28. Commissioner Untermeyer recused himself. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes on Agenda Item 11, number 29. **Staff's recommendations are adopted on Agenda Item 11, numbers 28 and 29.**

**Agenda Item 12: Reports more than 30-days late; Discussion and possible action regarding the imposition of additional fines.**

**1. Matthew D. Melton (00068107)**

**Candidate, State Representative**

30-day before primary pre-election report due April 30, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty

**2. Frank Salazar (00068281)**

**Candidate, State Representative**

30-day before primary pre-election report due April 30, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty

**3. Sam Arechar (00068407)**

**Candidate, State Representative**

Personal Financial Statement due April 18, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty

4. **Alfred Molison, Jr. (00068409)**  
**Candidate, State Representative**  
Personal Financial Statement due April 18, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty
5. **G. C. Molison (00068397)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**  
Personal Financial Statement due April 18, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty
6. **Sergio C. Mora, Jr. (00057797)**  
**Candidate, State Board of Education**  
Personal Financial Statement due April 18, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty
7. **Ronald E. Sledge (00067306)**  
**Candidate, Railroad Commissioner**  
Personal Financial Statement due April 18, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty

**Agenda Item 12, number 7, filer filed report and paid \$500 penalty.**

8. **Virginia Hermosa Boissonneault (00063431)**  
**Member, Texas Facilities Commission**  
Personal Financial Statement due April 30, 2012 – Report not filed; \$500 penalty

David A. Reisman, Executive Director, briefed the Commission on this agenda item. Motion by Commissioner Untermeyer to increase each fine by \$1,000 for a total penalty of \$1,500 for each and refer the late filers to the Attorney General's office on Agenda Item 12 numbers 1 through 6, and 8; second by Commissioner Mendoza. **Staff's recommendations to increase the penalties are adopted on Agenda Item 12, numbers 1 through 6, and 8.**

**Agenda Item 13: AOR-570: Whether a candidate or officeholder may use for personal purposes "reward points" that are earned by making political expenditures with a credit card.**

This agenda item was tabled until the next Commission meeting. There was no objection.

**Agenda Item 14. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal or adoption and publication in the Texas Register of new Ethics Commission Rules §§ 20.16 (Notices by Electronic Mail) and 34.19 (Courtesy Notices by Electronic Mail).**

Natalia L. Ashley, Special Counsel, briefed the Commission on this agenda item. Motion by Commissioner Hobby to adopt sections 20.16 and 34.19 of the Ethics Commission Rules; second by Commissioner Mendoza. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes. **Sections 20.16 and 34.19 of the Ethics Commission Rules are adopted.**

**Agenda Item 15. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal or adoption and publication in the Texas Register of new Ethics Commission Rule § 12.51 (Non-Complying Complaint).**

Natalia L. Ashley, Special Counsel, briefed the Commission on this agenda item. Motion by Commissioner Untermeyer to adopt section 12.51 of the Ethics Commission Rules; second by Vice Chair Clancy. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes. **Section 12.51 of the Ethics Commission Rules is adopted.**

**Agenda Item 17. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal and publication in the Texas Register of an amendment to Ethics Commission Rule § 20.555 (County Executive Committee Accepting Contributions or Making Expenditures That Exceed \$25,000).**

Natalia L. Ashley, Special Counsel, briefed the Commission on this agenda item. Motion by Vice Chair Clancy to propose for publication in the Texas Register section 20.555 of the Ethics Commission Rules; second by Commissioner Harrison. Motion passed by a vote of eight ayes. **Section 20.555 of the Ethics Commission Rules is proposed for publication in the Texas Register for comment.**

The next Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 14, 2012.

**Agenda Item 18: Adjourn.**

Commission meeting adjourned by unanimous consent. Motion passed by unanimous vote.