

TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION

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Ethics Advisory Opinion Request

Whether the Chapter 572 of the Government Code revolving door provisions apply to a former State Board of Education member's appearing the Texas Education Agency, the Texas Commissioner of Education, or the Texas Permanent School Fund Corporation. (AOR 685.)

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Whether expenditures made by a former legislator for general administration of his own campaign account are "direct campaign expenditures" that trigger the Section 253.007 two-year waiting period before engaging in activity that would require registration as a lobbyist. (AOR 692.)

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Whether certain communications with a member of the legislative or executive branch to engender goodwill are communications to "influence legislative or administrative action." (AOR 694.)

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Whether a former state employee may provide consulting services to company with which he participated in a procurement during his state service without violating Section 572.069 of the Government Code. (AOR 695.)

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Whether Chapter 572 of the Government Code prohibits a former employee of a regulatory agency from accepting certain employment. (AOR 696.)

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How various provisions of title 15 of the Texas Election Code apply to a Texas "purpose trust" formed under Section 112.121, Texas Property Code. (AOR 697.)

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