



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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**MINUTES**  
**STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**September 6, 2018**  
**3:30 P.M.**

***I. Call to Order***

Commissioner Castagno was present via teleconference and called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. Commissioner Penny was present. Commissioners Ajello and Cascudo were present via teleconference. Agency staff was also present.

***II. Executive Session per General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1), (3),(4),(10) and General Statutes §9-7a, as amended by Public Act 11-48 §300 (Preliminary draft and agency consideration of enforcement action and exempt records relative thereto)***

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 3:31 P.M. to proceed into Executive Session pursuant to General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1),(3),(4),(10) to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims and exempt records. So voted.

Commissioner Penny was present. Commissioners Castagno, Cascudo and Ajello were present via teleconference. Staff members present were William B. Smith, Joshua Foley, Douglas Frost, Linda Waterman, Shannon Kief, Michael J. Brandi and Sheri-Lyn Lagueux.

Returning to public session at 3:45 P.M. the Commission took the following action:

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Discussion of Candidate Committee Validation Memoranda

No action taken.

2. In the Matter of a Complaint by Shawn Wooden, (Self-Report) Hartford  
File No. 2018-024

Recommendation of Counsel

Attorney:

William B. Smith

Lead Legal Investigator:

Gilberto Oyola

Attorney William B. Smith summarized the above referenced complaint and Proposed Consent Order & Agreement in File No. 2018-024. He recommended adoption of the Proposed Consent Order & Agreement.

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to adopt the Proposed Consent Order & Agreement in File No. 2018-024. So voted by a vote 4-0-0. The Consent Order & Agreement will be available on our website under Commission Decisions.

### ***III. Consideration of Application for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund***

#### ***A. New Applications***

1. "Butler 2018," Larry Butler

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Butler 2018," Larry Butler. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "delacruz 2018," Joseph de la Cruz

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "delacruz 2018," Joseph de la Cruz. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. "Elect Susan Johnson 2018," Susan Johnson

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Elect Susan Johnson 2018," Susan Johnson. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. "Friends of John Frey," John Frey

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Friends of John Frey," John Frey. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. "Martin Looney for State Senate," Martin Looney

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Martin Looney for State Senate," Martin Looney. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. "Baird for 38," Baird Welch-Collins

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Baird for 38," Baird Welch-Collins. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. "Borzellino for State Representative," David Borzellino

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Borzellino for State Representative," David Borzellino. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "Craig Miner for Senate," Craig Miner

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Craig Miner for Senate," Craig Miner. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. "Crouch 2018," Donald Crouch

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Crouch 2018," Donald Crouch. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. "Desmarais 2018," Jeffrey Desmarais

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Desmarais 2018," Jeffrey Desmarais. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. "Friends of Emmett Riley," Emmett Riley

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Friends of Emmett Riley," Emmett Riley. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. "Godfrey 2018," Bob Godfrey

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Godfrey 2018," Bob Godfrey. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. "Jesse 2018," Jesse MacLachlan

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Friends of John Frey," John Frey. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. "Josh for State Representative," Joshua Elliott

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Josh for State Representative," Joshua Elliott. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. "Lemar2018," Roland Lemar

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Lemar2018," Roland Lemar. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

16. "Rebekah for Newtown," Rebekah Harriman-Stites

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Rebekah for Newtown," Rebekah Harriman-Stites. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

17. "Vargas 2018," Edwin Vargas

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Vargas 2018," Edwin Vargas. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

18. "Will Duff for Connecticut," William Duff

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Will Duff for Connecticut," William Duff. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

19. "Arthur O'Neill State Representative," Arthur O'Neill

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Arthur O'Neill State Representative," Arthur O'Neill. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

20. "Candelaria 2018," Juan Candelaria

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Candelaria 2018," Juan Candelaria. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

21. "Cava 2018," Greg Cava

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Cava 2018," Greg Cava. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

22. "Charamut for Senator," Edward Charamut

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Charamut for Senator," Edward Charamut. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

23. "Committee to Elect Alphonse Paolillo," Alphonse Paolillo

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Committee to Elect Alphonse Paolillo," Alphonse Paolillo. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

24. "D'Amelio 2018," Anthony D'Amelio

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "D'Amelio 2018," Anthony D'Amelio. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

25. "Dennis Leadership," Dennis Milanovich

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Dennis Leadership," Dennis Milanovich. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

26. "Elect Mae Flexer," Mae Flexer

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Elect Mae Flexer," Mae Flexer. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

27. "Fonfara 2018," John Fonfara

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Fonfara 2018," John Fonfara. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

28. "Friends of Altobello," Emil "Buddy" Altobello

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Friends of Altobello," Emil "Buddy" Altobello. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

29. "Friends of Chris Wright," Christopher Wright

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Friends of Chris Wright," Christopher Wright. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

30. "James Krochko for 131," James Krochko

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "James Krochko for 131," James Krochko. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

31. "Kelly for Senate 2018," Kevin Kelly

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Kelly for Senate 2018," Kevin Kelly. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

32. "Liz for the 42<sup>nd</sup>," Elizabeth Schwebel

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Liz for the 42<sup>nd</sup>," Elizabeth Schwebel. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

33. "McCarty for State Rep 2018," Kathleen McCarty

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "McCarty for State Rep 2018," Kathleen McCarty. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

34. "Parente for State Representative," Robert Parente

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Parente for State Representative," Robert Parente. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

35. "Rich Deecken for State Senate 2018," Rich Deecken

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Rich Deecken for State Senate 2018," Rich Deecken. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

36. "Rogers 2018," Ryan Rogers

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Rogers 2018," Ryan Rogers. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

37. "Rosario 2018," Christopher Rosario

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Rosario 2018," Christopher Rosario. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

38. "Vote Vail," Kurt Vail

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Vote Vail," Kurt Vail. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

39. "Haddad 2018," Gregory Haddad

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Haddad 2018," Gregory Haddad. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

***B. Continuation of prior applications awaiting additional information to qualify for a grant***

1. "Statchen 2018," Robert Statchen

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Statchen 2018," Robert Statchen. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "Hall 2018," Joshua Hall

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Hall 2018," Joshua Hall. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. "Bosak for Senate," Gerald Bosak

No action taken.

4. "Hwang4Senate," Anthony Hwang

No action taken.

5. "Brian for the 45<sup>th</sup>," Brian Lanoue

No action taken.

6. "Dan Fox for State Rep 2018," Daniel Fox

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Dan Fox for State Rep 2018," Daniel Fox. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. "Team Soto," Christian Soto

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Team Soto," Christian Soto. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "Siegrist 2018," Robert Siegrist

No action taken.

9. "Steinberg for State Rep," Jonathan Steinberg

No action taken.

10. "Abercrombie for State Rep.," Catherine Abercrombie

No action taken.

11. "Eric Berthel for Senate," Eric Berthel

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Eric Berthel for Senate," Eric Berthel. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. "Coderre 2018," David Coderre

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Coderre 2018," David Coderre. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. "Friends of Michael Dimassa," Michael Dimassa

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Friends of Michael Dimassa," Michael Dimassa. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. "Gerratana 2018," Terry Gerratana

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Gerratana 2018," Terry Gerratana. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.



15. "Buckbee 2018," William Buckbee

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Buckbee 2018," William Buckbee. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

16. "Ziogas 18," Christopher Ziogas

No action taken.

17. "David T. Wilson for 66<sup>th</sup>," David Wilson

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "David T. Wilson for 66<sup>th</sup>," David Wilson. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

18. "Formica for Senate," Paul Formica

No action taken.

19. "Mike for 72," Michael Ceverllino

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Mike for 72," Michael Ceverllino. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

20. "Elaine Matto for State Representative," Elaine Matto

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Elaine Matto for State Representative," Elaine Matto. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

21. "Mary Fay for CT State Rep," Mary Fay

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Mary Fay for CT State Rep," Mary Fay. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

22. "Elect DePalma 116<sup>th</sup>," Richard DePalma

No action taken.

23. "Leone for State Senate," Carlo Leone

No action taken.

24. "Perrier 2018," John Perrier

No action taken.

25. "Phil Young for 120," Phillip Young

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Phil Young for 120," Phillip Young. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

26. "Boyd 2018," Pat Boyd

No action taken.

27. "R 95," John Carlson

No action taken.

28. "Andrew Lanciatto for State Representative," Andrew Lanciatto

No action taken.

29. "Brenda 2018," Brenda Falusi

No action taken.

30. "Champagne for the 35<sup>th</sup>," Daniel Champagne

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Champagne for the 35<sup>th</sup>," Daniel Champagne. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

31. "Citizens for Mushinsky," Mary Mushinsky

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Citizens for Mushinsky," Mary Mushinsky. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

32. "Genga2018," Henry Genga

No action taken.

33. "Henrie for 61<sup>st</sup>," John Henrie

No action taken.

34. "Laura Bush for the 56<sup>th</sup>," Laura Bush

No action taken.

35. "Porter 2018," Robyn Porter

No action taken.

36. "Walker 2018," Toni Walker


No action taken.

***IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session***

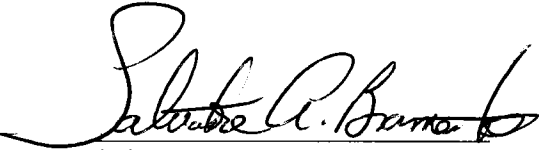
***V. Adjournment***

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 4:05 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes of the Commission were unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Sheri-Lyn Lagueux  
Clerk of the Commission

Adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018 at Hartford, Connecticut.

  
Salvatore A. Bramante  
By Order of the Commission

***The next regular scheduled meeting is September 12, 2018 at 3:30 P.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.***