

UNITED STATES OFFICE OF  
GOVERNMENT ETHICS



January 18, 2022

Kelu Chao  
Acting Chief Executive Officer  
U.S. Agency for Global Media  
330 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20237

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) provides the heads of each executive branch agency with year-end status reports regarding annual financial disclosure reports which are subject to OGE's certification. This letter provides the year-end status report for 2021.

The Ethics in Government Act requires that by May 15 each year covered senior agency leaders must file public financial disclosure reports, which their agencies review for conflicts of interest and compliance with disclosure requirements. The agencies then must timely forward these reports to OGE for certification. When requested by OGE, agencies also must promptly obtain any additional information needed for certification.

The U.S. Agency for Global Media has completed the 2021 filing cycle with one notable exception. Although the Agency's Ethics Officials have been highly responsive to OGE's requests for information, as of this date, OGE has not yet received the financial disclosure report for former Chief Executive Officer, Michael Pack. The Agency must collect the report and any additional information needed from Mr. Pack, review his report, and forward that report to OGE as soon as possible.

It is imperative that the Agency act promptly to provide OGE with this outstanding report and any additional information that OGE requests in connection with its review of the report. Financial disclosure is the executive branch's primary tool for identifying and resolving conflicts of interest on the part of executive branch officials. Through the financial disclosure process, OGE and executive branch agencies assure the President, the Congress, and the public that officials at the highest levels of government are free from conflicts of interest. The failure of a senior agency leader to obtain OGE's certification in a timely manner diminishes the credibility of the ethics program and undermines the public's confidence in the integrity of the Agency's operations.

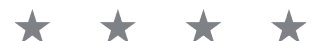
OGE thanks you, your senior leaders, and your Agency's ethics officials for fully supporting OGE's review process and for making annual financial disclosure a priority.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emory A. Rounds, III". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Emory A. Rounds, III  
Director, Office of Government Ethics

cc. Designated Agency Ethics Official  
for the U.S. Agency for Global Media



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January 18, 2022

David Kligerman  
Designated Agency Ethics Official  
U.S. Agency for Global Media  
330 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20237

Dear Mr. Kligerman:

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) is providing the head of each executive branch agency with a year-end status report regarding annual financial disclosure reports subject to OGE's certification. See OGE PA-21-02 (2021). Enclosed is a copy of the status report letter from OGE's Director to the head of your agency.

Thank you for your diligent work in completing the 2021 filing cycle for annual financial disclosure reports subject to OGE's certification. If you have any questions, please contact Megan V. Granahan (202-482-9204, [mvgranah@oge.gov](mailto:mvgranah@oge.gov)) or me (202-482-9205, [djapol@oge.gov](mailto:djapol@oge.gov)).

Thank you again for your attention to the financial disclosure program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David J. Apol". The signature is fluid and cursive.

David J. Apol  
General Counsel

Enclosure





1/18/2023

Susan T. Grundmann  
Chair  
Federal Labor Relations Authority  
1400 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20424

Dear Madam Chair Grundmann,

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) provides the heads of each executive branch agency with year-end status reports regarding annual financial disclosure reports which are subject to OGE's certification. This letter provides the year-end status report for 2022.

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The Federal Labor Relations Authority has successfully completed the 2022 filing cycle with one notable exception. Although the Agency's Ethics Officials have been highly responsive to OGE's requests for information, OGE has not yet received the financial disclosure report for former Member James Abbott. The Agency must collect the report and any additional information needed from Mr. Abbott in order to certify and forward the report to OGE as soon as possible, or make the appropriate referral to the Department of Justice.

It is imperative that the Agency act promptly to provide OGE with the outstanding report and any additional information that OGE requests in connection with its review of the report. Financial disclosure is the executive branch's primary tool for identifying and resolving conflicts of interest on the part of executive branch officials. Through the financial disclosure process, OGE and executive branch agencies assure the President, the Congress, and the public that officials at the highest levels of government are free from conflicts of interest. The failure of a senior agency leader to obtain OGE's certification in a timely manner diminishes the credibility of the ethics program and undermines the public's confidence in the integrity of the Agency's operations.

OGE thanks you, your senior leaders, and your Agency's ethics officials for fully supporting OGE's review process and for making annual financial disclosure a priority.

Sincerely,

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Emory A. Rounds, III  
Director, Office of Government Ethics

cc. Designated Agency Ethics Official  
for the Federal Labor Relations Authority



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1/18/2023

Noah B. Peters  
Designated Agency Ethics Official  
Federal Labor Relations Authority  
1400 K Street, NW – Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20424

Dear Mr. Peters,

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) is providing the head of each executive branch agency with a year-end status report regarding annual financial disclosure reports subject to OGE's certification. See OGE PA-22-02 (2022). Enclosed is a copy of the status report letter from OGE's Director to the head of your agency.

Despite the outstanding issue with one of your filers, thank you for your diligent work in completing the 2022 filing cycle for annual financial disclosure reports subject to OGE's certification. If you have any questions, please contact Megan V. Granahan (202-482-9204, [mvgranah@oge.gov](mailto:mvgranah@oge.gov)) or me (202-482-9205, [djapol@oge.gov](mailto:djapol@oge.gov)).

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January 18, 2024

Corey Wiggins  
Federal Co-Chair  
Delta Regional Authority  
263 Sharkey Avenue, Suite 400  
Clarksdale, MS 38614

Dear Mr. Wiggins,

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The Delta Regional Authority has not successfully completed the 2023 filing cycle. OGE just today received the financial disclosure report for Federal Co-Chair Corey Wiggins.

It is imperative that the Agency act promptly to provide OGE with any additional information that OGE requests in connection with its review of the report. Financial disclosure is the executive branch's primary tool for identifying and resolving conflicts of interest on the part of executive branch officials. Through the financial disclosure process, OGE and executive branch agencies assure the President, the Congress, and the public that officials at the highest levels of government are free from conflicts of interest. The failure of a senior agency leader to obtain OGE's certification in a timely manner diminishes the credibility of the ethics program and undermines the public's confidence in the integrity of the Agency's operations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shelley K. Finlayson".

Shelley K. Finlayson  
Acting Director, Office of Government Ethics

cc. Designated Agency Ethics Official  
for the Delta Regional Authority



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January 18, 2024

LaShasa S. Griffin  
Designated Agency Ethics Official  
Delta Regional Authority  
263 Sharkey Avenue, Suite 400  
Clarksdale, MS 38614

Dear Ms. Griffin,

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) is providing the head of each executive branch agency with a year-end status report regarding annual financial disclosure reports subject to OGE's certification. *See* OGE PA-23-03 (2023). Enclosed is a copy of the status report letter from OGE's Director to the head of your agency.

You have not yet completed the 2023 filing cycle. OGE received an expected financial disclosure report from your agency today, well after the deadline for submission. You must provide any additional information that OGE requests in connection with its review of the report as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Megan V. Granahan (202-482-9204, [mvgranah@oge.gov](mailto:mvgranah@oge.gov)) or me (202-482-9205, [djapol@oge.gov](mailto:djapol@oge.gov)).

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