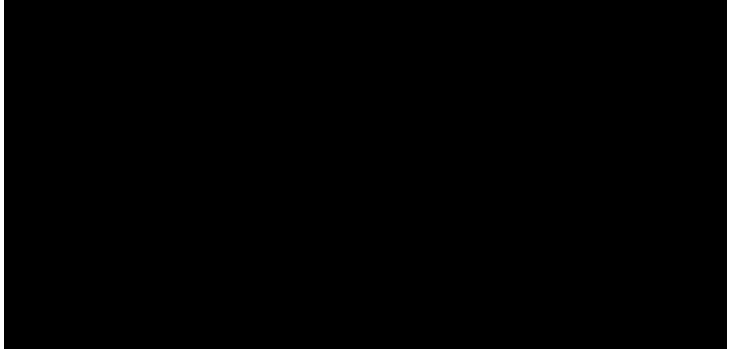
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To:	Deborah J. Bortot
Cc:	David J. Apol
Subject:	FW: Follow up
Date:	Monday, February 3, 2020 11:31:43 AM
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From:	Keith Labedz		
To:	Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones		
Cc:	Seth Jaffe		
Subject:	S. 394		
Date:	Monday, March 2, 2020 9:30:58 AM		

S.394 — 116th Congress (2019-2020)

Presidential Transition Enhancement Act of 2019

Date Actions Overview

02/20/2020 Presented to President.

02/05/2020 Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.

08/01/2019 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S5318-5320; text: CR S5319-5320)

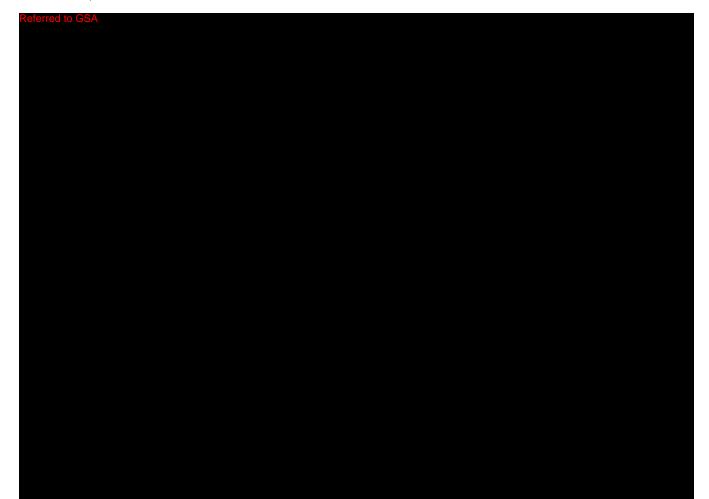
03/25/2019 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Johnson with amendments. With written report No. 116-13.

02/07/2019 Introduced in Senate

https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/394? q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22s.+394%22%5D%7D&s=4&r=1 Referred to GSA

From: Shelley K. Finlayson <skfinlay@oge.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 3, 2020 7:33 AM
To: Chantelle Renn <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Next Chief of Staff Roundtable, Friday March 20</pre>

Good morning, Chantelle – Thanks so much for reaching out. I would be pleased to attend the roundtable. I look forward to receiving the agenda and seeing you at the event. Best, Shelley



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From:	George Hancock
To:	Shelley K. Finlayson
Subject:	RE: PPS Briefing - Draft Slides w/Integrity Nominee Aspects, Other
Date:	Tuesday, March 24, 2020 10:58:37 AM
Attachments:	2020 OMB Powerpoint - PPS Integrity Nom.pptx

Shelley:

I added slides starting at 36 that you might find useful:

• 36-40 and 48 are from Tiffany's Integrity slide deck

• 41-47 and 49-52 are from Keith's Summit Nominee slide deck

• 53 is from the 2019 budget brief (slide 11 there).

• 44-end are screen captures of Presidential Transition items on the current OGE website. Let me know if you need more help on this.

Thank you.

From: Shelley K. FinlaysonSent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 7:50 AMTo: George HancockSubject: PPS Briefing.docx

Shelley,

I made some changes to the briefing script. I've attached the tracked changes version, but I don't think I will be using the script. After looking at the slides, I think it will be easier to talk from the slides and have notes on a notepad to reference as we go through the slides.

Thanks,

Deb

From:Shelley K. FinlaysonTo:Deborah J. BortotSubject:PPS Nom Briefing (v4).pptxDate:Wednesday, March 25, 2020 12:20:59 PMAttachments:PPS Nom Briefing (v4).pptx

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Revised slides

From:Deborah J. BortotTo:Shelley K. FinlaysonSubject:slidesDate:Wednesday, March 25, 2020 1:18:56 PMAttachments:PPS Nom Briefing (v5).pptx

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I made a change to slide 13.

From:	Shelley K. Finlayson
To:	Deborah J. Bortot
Subject:	PPS Nom Briefing (v5).pptx
Date:	Wednesday, March 25, 2020 4:59:25 PM
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From:	Shelley K. Finlayson
To:	Deborah J. Bortot
Subject:	PPS Nom Briefing (v5).pptx
Date:	Wednesday, March 25, 2020 5:45:17 PM
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I added two slides at the end. If you're nearly done or have difficulty adding them, I can add them after you send your revisions back to me. Thanks

Good evening,

As you may recall, Deb and I, put together with the help of all of you OGE's Election Readiness plan.

To help track and record all of our activities on the plan, I converted the word document into a workbook. There are separate worksheets for each of the work streams.

Prior to your program meeting, please update the worksheet (if applicable). (b)(5) internal

Thanks. Any questions, let me know.

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This version includes the two slides you added at the end. I went into slide show setup and clicked show without animation. I don't know if it will keep that setting for you. If it doesn't you will have to select that box.

Thanks, Deb

From:	Shelley K. Finlayson
To:	Emory A. Rounds III
Subject:	Input for 6 Month Election Readiness Report to Congress
Date:	Monday, March 30, 2020 8:55:05 AM
Attachments:	Presidential Transition - 6 Month Report to Congress 5 5 16 4pm Horne FINAL.pdf

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Good morning, Emory -

As part of the executive branchwide election readiness team, OGE contributes to the report due to Congress six months prior to the election that GSA prepares. We have been asked to provide text for this year's report. In response, we have put together a revised draft for your review here ^{(b)(5)} internal network address

. Please let me know whether there are additional activities that you would like to highlight, edits to tone, etc. The prior OGE text is included above the proposed text for comparison and the full report sent to Congress in 2016 is attached for your reference. Thanks,

Shelley

Shelley,

Thanks for passing feedback along to Dave. I did see the questions and agree that we should discuss how to address them. Please let me know when you would like to talk.

Thanks, Deb

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:02 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>
Subject: RE: slides for Partnership

Thanks so much, Deb.

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2. I don't know either, but it's fine to leave it.

3. I think it is okay because it is from 2016 and is accurate as to what is posted on our website.

I will send the slides out to Kristine. I am not sure if you saw the questions she sent, but we should probably discuss and decide how best to address them.

Thanks again for all your great work on the presentation and finalizing the slides. I told Dave what an outstanding job you did.

Shelley

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 4:05 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Cc: David J. Apol <<u>djapol@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: slides for Partnership

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Shelley,

I had PNB staff proofread the slides. I made a number of changes and have three items for you to consider. The latest version is attached.

Items for you to consider:

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- 2. Slide 18: I'm not sure what the "*" designates for parts 2, 5, and 6, but I was unable to remove it.
- 3. Slide 32: Is it ok that it has Walt's name and contact information on the top on the document?

I changed the following items:

- Slide 4: Added period after S in U.S.
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- Slide 15: First bullet: changed "efiling" to " e-filing"
- Slide 15: Third bullet: added a comma after "complete" and period after "analysis"
- Slide 15: Third bullet: changed "Nominee" to "nominee"
- Slide 25: Inserted section symbol "§" before "208"
- Slide 25: Deleted period to be consistent with other slides
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- Slide 27: changed your/your to filer/filer's
- Slide 28: Deleted periods to be consistent with other slides
- Slide 32: Third bullet: added semicolon ";" after word "nominees"
- Slide 32: Sixth bullet: changed "efiling" to "e-filing"

Thanks,

Deb

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 8:16 AM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: slides for Partnership

Hi Deb – Just checking status on this - were these proofed and sent or are they still in process? Thanks, Shelley

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 2:08 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: slides for Partnership

Shelley,

The version I have was before you added our photos. Do you care or do you want our photos in it?

Thanks, De

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 1:40 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: slides for Partnership

Hi Deb -I agree with both if those suggestions. proofread. Thanks, Shelley

and please have them

------ Original message ------From: "Deborah J. Bortot" <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>> Date: 3/27/20 11:17 AM (GMT-05:00) To: "Shelley K. Finlayson" <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>> Subject: slides for Partnership

Shelley,

I have a couple thoughts on the request for sharing the slides.

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2. Do you want me to assign someone in PNB to proofread it for typos?

Thanks,

Deb

Thanks

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 8:24 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <skfinlay@oge.gov>
Subject: RE: GSA 6 Month Report to Congress on Election Readiness

Then I'm fine with it.

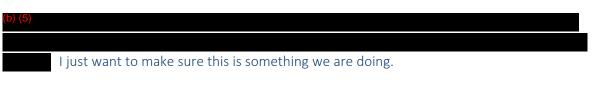
From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 8:21 AM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: GSA 6 Month Report to Congress on Election Readiness

Yes

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 8:21 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: GSA 6 Month Report to Congress on Election Readiness

Shelley,

I have one question.



Thanks,

Deb

From: Shelley K. Finlayson Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 8:07 AM

To: Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>

Cc: David J. Apol <<u>djapol@oge.gov</u>>

Subject: GSA 6 Month Report to Congress on Election Readiness

Hi Deb –

We've been asked to update the language that we included in the 6 month election readiness report to Congress in 2016 for submission this year. GSA is the lead and has asked us to provide similar

content. The language has already been revised and approved by Emory, but wanted to give you the opportunity to take a quick look and make sure you don't have anything else that you would like us to mention before I send it off to GSA. The previous language and the revised language are in one document for comparison available here: (b)(6) Internal OGE network address

Feel free to give me a call, if it's easier/you'd like to discuss.

Thanks, Shelley Good morning –

Thank you all for all you are doing to lead during this difficult time. Keeping mission work happening and ensuring employees feel connected, are vital to our collective success. I hope that you are also taking care of yourselves and your families during this time. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have concerns about your own circumstances or just want to connect.

I wanted to share a resource that a colleague recently recommended to me. It is a short podcast featuring Adm. Than Allen, who led our nation through some of its biggest crises in our lifetimes. He discusses maintaining morale during a crisis. It is worth a listen. You can find it on this page and don't have to download a player to listen: <u>https://presidentialtransition.org/transition-lab/</u>Stay well,

Shelley

Sounds good. Talk to you then.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson

Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 8:08 AM To: Deborah J. Bortot Subject: RE: Thank you!

Great and yes, just use the call in number.

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From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 8:03 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: FW: Thank you!
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I can do 11:00. They sent a Skype invite, but we don't have the app for that on our OGE laptops or our phones and I think we would need to download it in order to do it. If it's just two of them, we can just do a conference call.

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	From: Shelley K. Finlayson [mailto:skfinlay@oge.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2020 9:51 AM

To: Kristine Simmons <(b)(6)

>; Dara Carney-Nedelman <<mark>(b)(6)</mark> Cc: Shannon Carroll (b)(6)

>; Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Good morning, Kristine –

We would be happy to do that. Deb and I are the best people to answer the remaining questions (question 1 – Deb, questions 3 & 4 – me). We both appear to have availability on Thursday at 11. We could do the questions separately or together. Please let us know if that works.

Thanks,

Shelley



From: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>

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Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 5:40 PM

>; Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>

To: Kristine Simmons <(b) (6) Cc: Shannon Carroll < (b) (6) >; Dara Carney-Nedelman <

Subject: RE: Thank you!

Good evening, Kristine -

Thanks so much for the thoughtful questions. We will circle back once we have conferred on the best method to provide responses. In the meantime, please find attached the slides from our briefing last week. We look forward to continuing the conversation.

Best,

Shelley

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From: Shelley K. Finlayson < <u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u> >	
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 >; David Marchick

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Subject: RE: Thank you!

Thank you so much inviting us. We appreciate the opportunity, interest in our work, and ongoing collaboration.

The slides should be ready to share soon. We welcome additional questions via email. Depending on the nature of the questions, a mix of email and additional conversation may work best for our responses.

Thanks again,

Shelley

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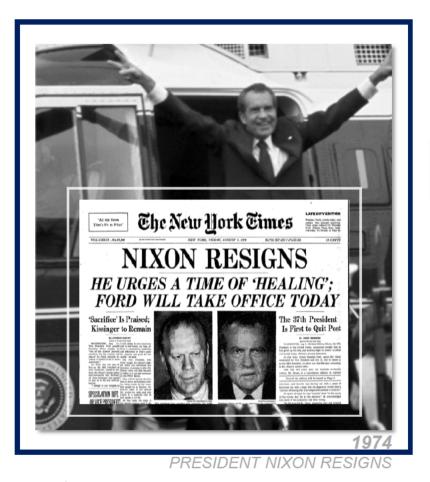
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> Pew Research Center Report on Trust and Distrust in America, July 2019

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OGE'S MISSION AND MANDATE

"Provide overall leadership and oversight of the executive branch ethics program designed to prevent and resolve conflicts of interest."

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- Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976
- Inspector General Act of 1978

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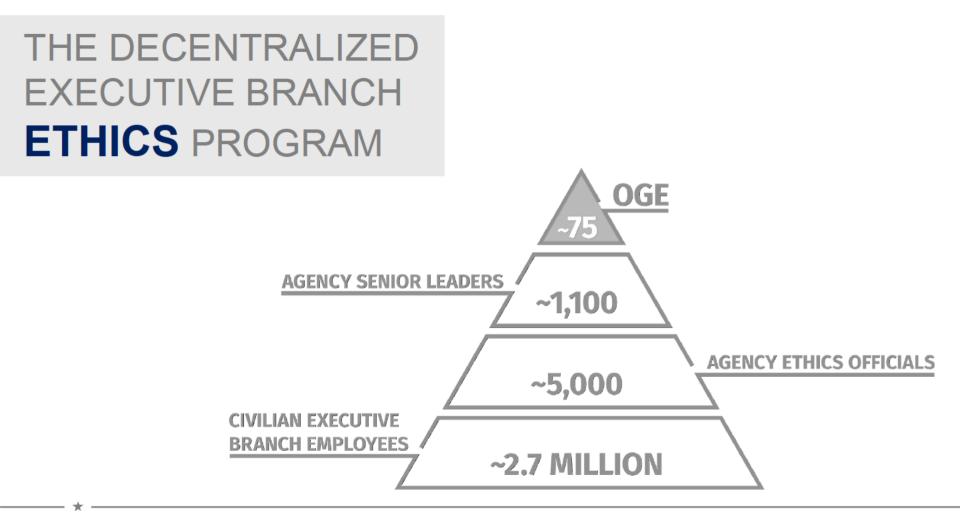
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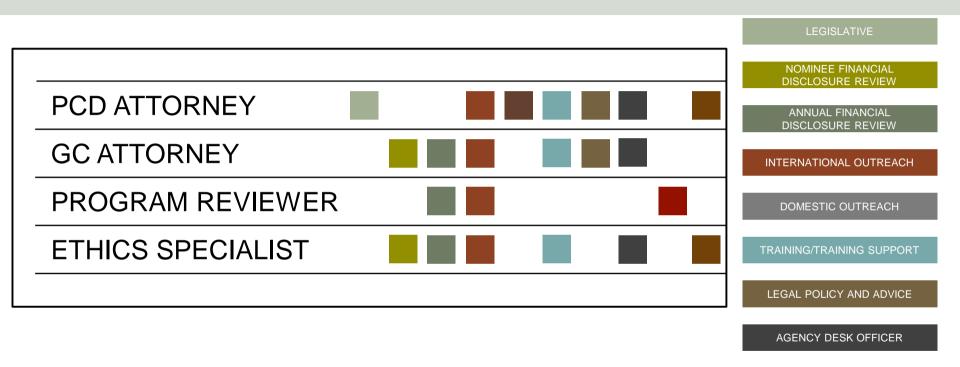
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- OGE can<u>not</u> opine on whether past conduct was criminal
- OGE does not audit financial disclosure reports, collect tax information
- OGE does <u>not</u> review, collect all ethics documents issued throughout the executive branch; have authority to post all ethics documents

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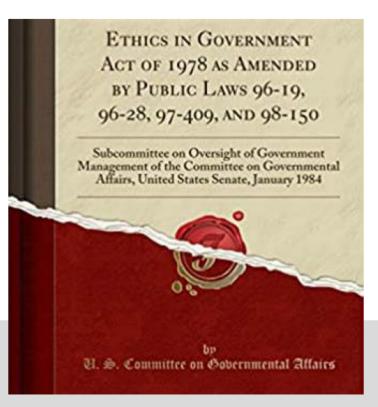
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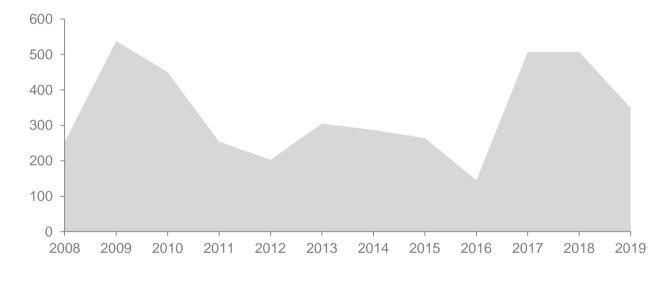
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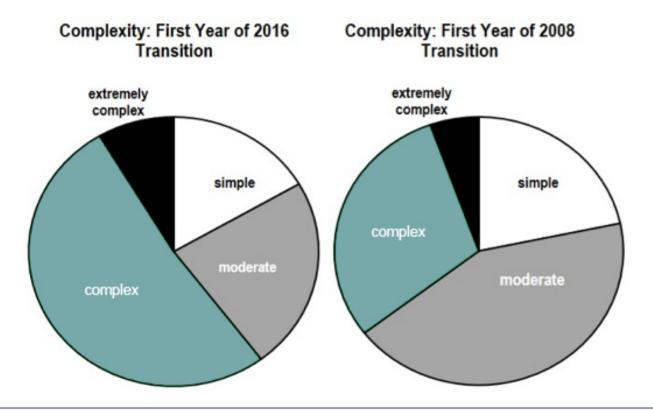
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PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS: COMPLEXITY



Nominee Financial Disclosure

- Multi-part form to collect reportable financial information: collected via
 Integrity, an executive branch-wide e-filing system
- Online collaborative review process that involves the White House, the nominee, the intended agency where the nominee will serve, & OGE
- Once form complete, begin conflicts analysis. OGE and agency work to resolve conflicts so the nominee can do the job
- Ethics agreement for resolvable conflicts





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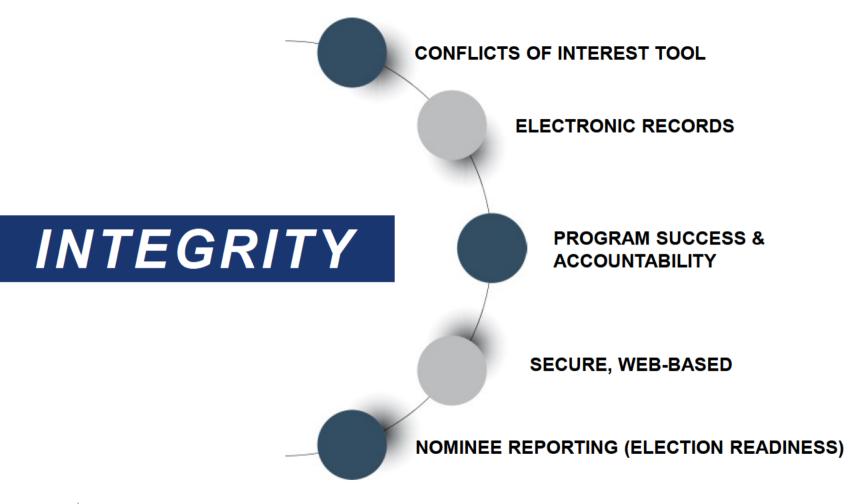
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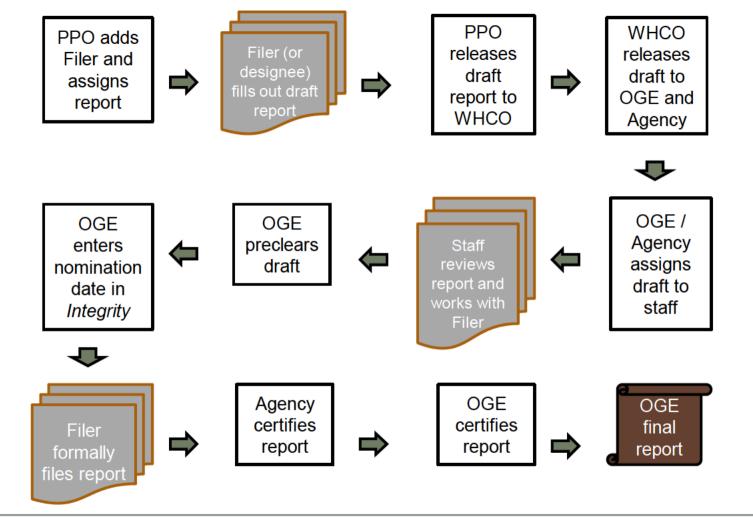
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- Prior Federal positions
- Non-Federal positions
- Wizard questions about assets/income related to those positions

INTEGRITY

Play your part

- Wizard questions about retirement plans/accounts
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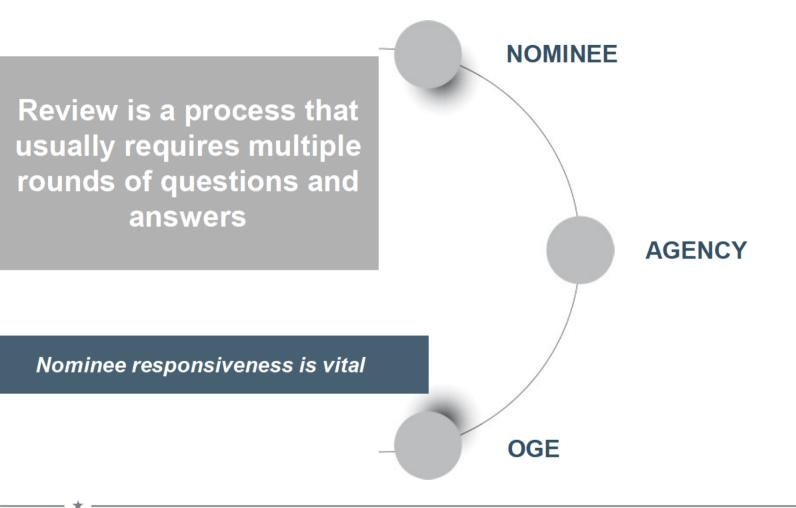
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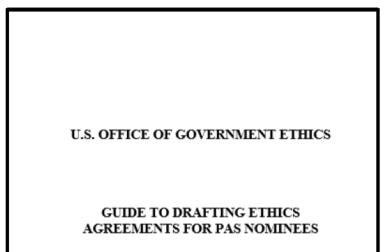


- Multiple layers of review:
 - Nominee submits draft report
 - White House, target agency ethics officials & OGE review
- Submitted and managed electronically



ANALYZING AND RESOLVING CONFLICTS

- Primary criminal conflict of interest statute 18 U.S.C. § 208
- The Ethics in Government Act
- The Principles and Standards of Ethical Conduct: Employees shall not hold financial interests that conflict with the conscientious performance of duty



ETHICS AGREEMENTS

<u>NOTICE</u>: This guide does not contain legal advice. It is intended solely for educational purposes for ethics officials in the Federal executive branch.

COMMON ACTIONS TO MITIGATE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- Resign from all paid positions and most unpaid positions
- Frequently sell (or otherwise divest) stocks, sector mutual funds, and private investment funds owned by filer, filer's spouse, or minor children
- Frequently forfeit unvested equity interests granted by filer's current employer
- Frequently divest assets from family (or other closely held) partnerships owned by filer, filer's spouse, or minor children
- Frequently resign from trustee positions and divest assets in trusts of which filer, filer's spouse, or minor children are the beneficiary or for which filer, filer's spouse, or minor child is paying the taxes
- Divest from managed accounts if potential conflicts of interest cannot be resolved

PRECLEARANCE

- OGE preclears (i.e., tentatively approves) the financial disclosure report and ethics agreement
- The filer signs the precleared ethics agreement

NOMINATION

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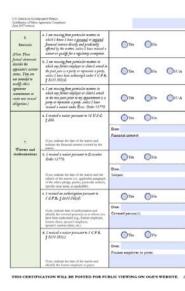
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PRESIDENTIAL TRANSITION

November 7, 2019

The Office of Government Ethics (OGE) plays a vital role in Presidential transitions, reviewing the financial disclosure reports of prospective Presidential nominees and resolving their potential conflicts of interest so they can serve with integrity. This nominee work becomes OGE's primary focus during a transition, when most of the top political leadership in the executive branch turns over. OGE will work in partnership with any Presidential Transition Team to make sure that prospective nominees are free of conflicts of interest, so that top leadership positions can be filled quickly.

OGE Transition Materials - many of these materials will be updated throughout the next year.

Resources for Candidates and Transition Teams

About OGE and Contact Information

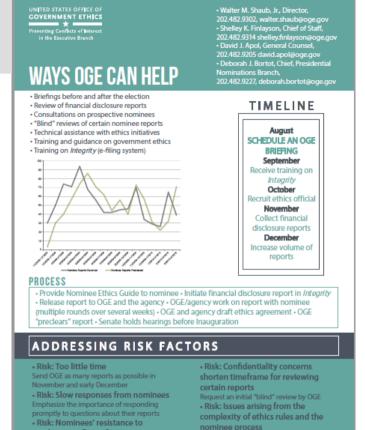
- Ways OGE Can Help in the Presidential Transition (1-page graphic) (2016)
 - OGE is ready to assist a Presidential Transition Team in navigating the transition and laying the groundwork for a strong ethical culture in the new administration. OGE is also ready to assist in establishing a strong White House ethics program. Click here >
- OGE Agency Profile (2016)
 - This profile provides an overview of the executive branch ethics program and OGE. It also includes detailed information about OGE's leadership, structure, and components; major functional areas; and critical management practices. (print version, page version)
- OGE Senior Leadership
 - . Follow this link to learn more about OGE's Senior Leadership. Click here >
- OGE Staff Contact Information
 - Follow this link for an OGE staff listing and contact information. Click here >

Guides and Other Guidance

- GAO-17-615R Presidential Transition: Information on Ethics, Funding, and Agency Services (2017) (PDF)
- OGE's Guide for the Presidential Transition Team (2016)

HOW OGE HELPS

- Briefings to campaigns before & after the election;
- Review of financial disclosure reports;
- Consultations on prospective nominees;
- Technical assistance with ethics initiatives;
- Training & guidance on government ethics; and
- Training on Integrity (e-filing system)



resolving conflicts of interest

and their spouses may be required to make

Detail an agency ethics official or hire an outside financial disclosure expert

NEXT STEPS

- Update resources
- Increase staff and systems capacity
- Collaborate/participate
- Brief/train campaign staff

Thank you

UNITED STATES OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT ETHICS

Shelley Finlayson, Chief of Staff & Program Counsel Deb Bortot, Chief of Presidential Nominations Branch

Yes. Thank you.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 12:29 PM
To: Emory A. Rounds III <earounds@oge.gov>
Subject: Presidential transition conference

FYSA

I have tentatively agreed to participate. My portion is 10-15 minutes.

Referred to GSA	

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Shelley,

As a follow on to my prior email, I was able to make slide 3 darker and sharper. See attached.

Thanks, Deb

Deborah J. Bortot
Shelley K. Finlayson
RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference.pptx
Wednesday, April 22, 2020 4:23:15 PM

One more thought. <mark>(b) (5)</mark>	? For example
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Thanks,

Deb

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference.pptx

Thanks, Deb!

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 2:34 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference.pptx

That works. I can make it darker for you when you are done if you'd like. Let me know.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 2:29 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference.pptx

Thanks – do these corrections work on the 1 pager that appears on the 3rd slide?

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 2:03 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference.pptx

Shelley,

I have a few comments.

- 1. Slide 2 The numbering is off. You have 2 number 3s.
- 2. (b)(5)
 3. (b)(5)
 4. Some of the same points are made on slide 2 and 3. I think the idea is that slide 2 are the main points and you aren't going to go through them a second time on slide 3.
 5. (b)(5)
- 6. **(b)(5)**
- 7. Slide 3 -- If there is a way to make the font darker/sharper on the 3rd slide, I would do that. I wasn't able to manipulate it.

Let me know if you need anything else from me.

Thanks, Deb

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 2:29 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <<u>djbortot@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference.pptx

For our call

Shelley,

It's easier to change it on the PowerPoint. If you insert it in the PowerPoint, I can make it darker. Changing the pdf requires changing each box.

Thanks, Deb

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 8:34 AM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>
Subject: Ways OGE Can Help In The Presidential Transition 2020.pdf

Hi Deb –

I caught a few errors and corrected them on the one pager, which is attached. (b)(5)

. I will cover it verbally.

Can you please tell me how you made it darker? I agree that it is easier to see.

Thanks,

Shelley

From:	<u>Shelley K. Finlayson</u>
То:	Deborah J. Bortot
Subject:	OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx
Date:	Thursday, April 23, 2020 8:48:13 AM
Attachments:	OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx



Here are the revised slides. Thanks for your help

Shelley,

If you think it is too dark, I can make it lighter, but there is a tension between darkness and readability.

Thanks, Deb

I lightened it up

From: Shelley K. FinlaysonSent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 9:22 AMTo: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>Subject: RE: darker slides

Thanks, Deb, but yes, I think that is too dark

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 9:21 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: darker slides

Shelley,

If you think it is too dark, I can make it lighter, but there is a tension between darkness and readability.

Thanks, Deb

From:	Tiffany M. Fenix
То:	Nicole Stein
Cc:	Shelley K. Finlayson
Subject:	RE: Help with a slide Shelley is working on.
Date:	Thursday, April 23, 2020 11:44:55 AM
Attachments:	Fixed-OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference PDS (2)pptx.pptx
	Fixed-Ways OGE Can Help In The Presidential Transition 2020.jpg
	Fixed-Ways OGE Can Help In The Presidential Transition 2020 pdf

Sorry try these.

From: Nicole Stein
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 10:47 AM
To: Tiffany M. Fenix <tmfenix@oge.gov>
Subject: Help with a slide Shelley is working on.

The third slide is an image of the attached PDF. Any suggestions for how to improve the sharpness. Deb tried to darken the image because they think it is easier to read but that messed up the sharpness. (OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1))

Shelley needs this later today so there isn't time to rebuild but do you have suggestions for how to change it in PDF or how to modify the image in the slide.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 10:38 AM
To: Nicole Stein <<u>nstein@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx

Yes, please on the slides – I think you can see it better if it is darker or should could modify the text to make it darker, but that may take much longer.

Gil just mentioned on our budget call that he'd been asked by the NIH contact whether there was progress and he said no, but made it sound like the ball is in someone else's court and I am unsure who.

From: Nicole Stein
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 10:28 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx

I think that is the issue, she is modifying the image and not the PDF. It messed with the sharpness when changing the color.

Do you want her to try and make it darker? I can send Tiffany the PDF and the slide.

The last I saw was an email from NIH to Gil asking if the Branch Chief had contacted us. Gil responded No (b)(5) unrelated issue . Do you want me to ask Gil to reach out to the individual mentioned in the email?

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 10:23 AM
To: Nicole Stein <<u>nstein@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx

She did it on the slide. And yes, might be easier for Tiffany to fix these issues.

Unrelated question: who is the NIH refund issue with at this point?

From: Nicole Stein
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 9:56 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx

Umm, did she make it darker in the PDF and then add it to the slide or did she make the image on the slide darker?

Tiffany is back in today – we could ask for her help.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 9:51 AM
To: Nicole Stein <<u>nstein@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (1).pptx

Deb was somehow able to make the one pager darker – can it also be sharpened after that? By converting to jpeg?

From:	Shelley K. Finlayson
То:	Emory A. Rounds III
Subject:	RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (3).pptx
Date:	Thursday, April 23, 2020 2:02:50 PM

Yes – makes it more clear why (b) (5)

From: Emory A. Rounds III
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 1:49 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <skfinlay@oge.gov>
Subject: RE: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (3).pptx

Perhaps this?

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Thanks!

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 1:26 PM
To: Emory A. Rounds III <<u>earounds@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: OGE Slides for Partnership Transition Conference (3).pptx

Hi Emory –



These are the slides that I have prepared with input from Deb to present at the Partnership presidential transition conference with the campaign and administration attendees. Please let me know your thoughts.

Thanks,

Shelley

(b)(5) Footnote from draft text above

From:	Deborah J. Bortot
To:	Shelley K. Finlayson
Subject:	RE: transmittal letter
Date:	Friday, April 24, 2020 4:37:15 PM
Attachments:	Presentation at PPS Transition Conference (002)djb edits.docx

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I ran through it. It's under 10 minutes. I think they are all important points, so I wouldn't cut anything. I made a few changes.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 4:16 PM
To: Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>
Subject: RE: transmittal letter

b)(5) 4 page attachment withheld in ull, document name "Presentation at PPS Transition Conference.docx"

Thanks, Deb. Attached are my talking points for the presentation. I really appreciate your input.

From: Deborah J. Bortot
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 3:33 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: transmittal letter

I've attached the basic transmittal letter template.

No attachment found

Success! Thank you

From: Emory A. Rounds III
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 12:17 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <skfinlay@oge.gov>
Subject: RE: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Well, I think again that I've done this . . .

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 12:12 PM
To: Emory A. Rounds III <<u>earounds@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Your signature doesn't show up on the document, I think because it is a Word document. I have saved it as a pdf and now you should be able to go in to the pdf version and use certificates to draw a signature box next to your name and sign and save.

From: Emory A. Rounds III
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 12:07 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

I think that this has been accomplished . . . I think . . .

Thanks!

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 12:05 PM
To: Emory A. Rounds III <<u>earounds@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Great. Will you please electronically sign next to your name at the top of the memo and save it/or send it to me? Thanks

From: Emory A. Rounds III
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 12:00 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Looks fine, all around. Thanks!

Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 11:58 AM
To: Emory A. Rounds III <<u>earounds@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: FW: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Hi Emory –

Please see Liz's draft designation below.

I am not sure whether that's our

preferred alternative or if we don't want to include one or consider someone else. Please let me know your thoughts. Thanks,

Shelley

From: Elizabeth D. Horton
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 11:36 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>>; Dale A. Christopher <<u>dachrist@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Good morning.

Please find the draft Agency Transition Director designation here:

If you have any revisions or questions, please let me know. Thank you.

From: Shelley K. Finlayson
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2020 8:54 AM
To: Elizabeth D. Horton <<u>edhorton@oge.gov</u>>; Dale A. Christopher <<u>dachrist@oge.gov</u>>
Subject: FW: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

Good morning, Liz – Will you please prepare a designation for Emory's signature (designating me) and respond to the requests for information contained in the guidance? We will need to calendar a reminder to provide assurance regarding our succession plan by the due date in September (including any associated documentation). Thanks, Shelley

From: OMB Correspondence to Agencies

On Behalf Of White, Arnette C. EOP/OMB

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 4:56 PM

To:

Subject: M-20-24 Implementing the Presidential Transition Act

This Memorandum provides guidance to all Executive departments and agencies ("agencies") on agencies' statutory obligations under the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, as amended (3 U.S.C. § 102 note).

To view this memo, please click <u>https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/M-20-24.pdf</u>

This email list is maintained by Arnette White at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). If you should be removed or need someone added, please send a request to



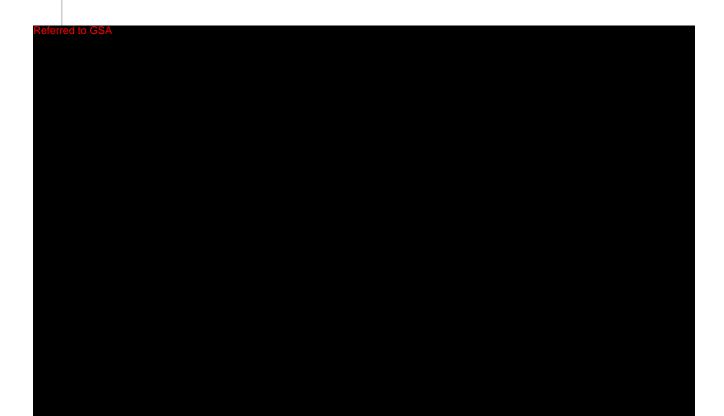
On Wed, Apr 29, 2020 at 8:11 AM Shelley K. Finlayson <<u>skfinlay@oge.gov</u>> wrote:

Good morning, Dorsy –

I am happy to present at the first meeting. Depending on what you'd like me to cover anywhere between 5-15 minutes should suffice.

In addition, will you please send me the final 6 month report to Congress for our records?

Thanks, Shelley



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Keith,

On a supervisors call, but wanted to pass along that Shelley is the designated transition director for OGE. It came up in the meeting and I thought you would be interested.

Thanks,

Deb

From:	Shelley K. Finlayson
To:	Heather A. Jones
Cc:	David J. Apol; Deborah J. Bortot
Subject:	RE: Guide for Transition Team working draft May 6 2020.docx
Date:	Wednesday, May 6, 2020 5:04:36 PM
Attachments:	Guide for Transition Team working draft May 6 2020(skf).docx

b)(5) - 43 page attachment wi hheld in full

Thanks, Heather. Please find attached my comments on the document. I am happy to discuss section IV when you are working the draft if that is easier. Shelley

From: Heather A. Jones

Sent: Wednesday, May 6, 2020 11:32 AM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson <skfinlay@oge.gov>
Cc: David J. Apol <djapol@oge.gov>; Deborah J. Bortot <djbortot@oge.gov>
Subject: Guide for Transition Team working draft May 6 2020.docx

Shelley-

Attached is the most recent draft of the Transition Guide for your review. Let me know if you would also like me to place it in the 00Director folder. I tried to implement some of the guidance from the Nominee Guide in this guide as well. Please let me know if you have questions or edits.

Thanks, Heather

From:	Heather A. Jones
To:	<u>Deborah J. Bortot</u>
Subject:	Transition Guide
Date:	Monday, May 11, 2020 12:52:03 PM

Here is the latest draft for your review:

Heather Jones Senior Counsel (202) 482-9316 U.S. Office of Government Ethics Visit OGE's website: <u>www.oge.gov</u> Follow OGE on Twitter: @OfficeGovEthics

From:	Shelley K. Finlayson
To:	(b)(6) Mary Gibert "
Subject:	Accepted: Updated invitation: Agency Transition Directors Council Meeting May 27th, 2020 @ Wed May 27, 2020 2pm - 3pm (EDT) (skfinlay@oge.gov)