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I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. As the constitution's present peril is precisely due to officials who ignored/lacked/mocked ethics bad-acting with impunity, OGE should:

- remove the exception that makes compliance with the regulation optional; optional ethics = optional fascism under one-party rule
- replace the proposed milquetoast recusal requirement with a broader 5-year recusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests;
- remove the offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser; and
- place nonprofit charities (501(c)(3) organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers.

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