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## REVISED AGENDA

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Date and Time:	10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 16, 2015
Location:	Room E1.014, Capitol Extension, Austin, Texas

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1. Call to order; roll call.
2. Communication to the Commission from the public.
3. Approve minutes for the following meetings:
  - o Workshop on New Electronic Filing System – February 13, 2015;
  - o Executive Session (discussion of pending lawsuits) – February 13, 2015; and
  - o AM Public Meeting – February 13, 2015.
4. Discussion and possible action relating to appeals made to final orders issued by the Texas Ethics Commission. Letter by Commissioner Clancy on Commission website at: <http://ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/Comm-Clancy-letter-3-24-15.pdf>.
5. Briefing and discussion of ethics legislation in the 2015 legislative session, including status of Ethics Commission legislative recommendations.

### ADVISORY OPINIONS

**Discussion and possible action in response to the following Advisory Opinion Request:**

6. Discussion of Opinion Request AOR-594: Whether a communication relating to a measure election complies with section 255.003 of the Election Code.

This opinion request construes Title 15 of the Election Code.

### RULEMAKING

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*For more information, contact Natalia Luna Ashley, Executive Director, at (512) 463-5800.*

7. Public discussion and possible action on the adoption or proposal and publication in the Texas Register of an amendment to Texas Ethics Commission Rules § 6.5 (Authority To Adopt Rules) relating to the Commission's authority to adopt rules.
8. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal and publication in the Texas Register of rules and amendments to existing rules to address disclosure of expenditures made by credit card and payments to a credit card company.
9. Public discussion and possible action on the proposal and publication in the Texas Register of an amendment to Section 251.001(7) of the Election Code regarding the definition of campaign expenditure.
10. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce certain penalties assessed for late-filing of campaign finance reports or personal financial statements for the following individuals:

Brandin Lea  
Bruce C. Tough

11. Briefing, discussion, and possible action to waive or reduce late-filing penalties in connection with certain corrected reports or to determine whether certain corrected reports as originally filed substantially complied with the applicable law for the following individuals:

Linda J. Curtis  
Jim M. Grace, Jr.  
Mark C. Thering

12. Discussion and possible action regarding the termination of a campaign treasurer appointment of the following inactive candidates and political committees:

**Candidates**

Derek A. Anthony  
Chester Daniel "Dan" Anderson  
Beatriz "Betty" Berry  
Craig A. Bonham  
Genevieve Gregory  
Mary K Huls  
Brett Pritchard  
Nigel H. Redmond

Lady Theresa M. Thombs DJ  
Felicia L. Whatley  
Demetra Jefferson-Wysinger

**Political Committees**

Substance Abuse Program PAC  
Wimberley Valley Republican Group  
United for Allen's Future PAC

13. Comments by the Executive Director.
14. Comments by the Commissioners.
15. Adjourn.

**CERTIFICATION:** I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements.

Certifying Official & Agency Liaison: Natalia Luna Ashley,  
Executive Director

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