

Report of the Board of Ethics (2022-2023)

Pursuant to Sec. 2-582 of the City of Racine Code of Ethics, the Board of Ethics submits this report to the Mayor and Common Council.

Reporting Requirements

The Code of Ethics of the City of Racine requires that all elected city officials and designated city employees file a Statement of Economic Interest. All appointed officers who serve on city boards, committees, and commissions without salary are required to file a certification that the officer has received a copy of the laws and ordinances related to conduct prohibited in the state and city codes of ethics and that he or she has read such provisions and agrees to abide by the applicable standards of conduct. It is the responsibility of the Board of Ethics to develop the necessary forms, provide them to officers and employees, and monitor filing of the completed forms.

In the 2022-2023 report period, all elected officials and designated employees filed the required Statement of Economic Interest. All non-salaried appointees who were appointed in the 2022-2023 reporting period signed the required certification via the Boards, Commission, and Committees portal when applying for a position.

Disposition of Request for Advisory Opinion

The Code of Ethics authorizes the Board of Ethics to answer requests for advisory opinions regarding application of the Code of Ethics. The Board received one request for an advisory opinion in the 2017-2018 reporting period. The Board deferred action on the request until a related court case has been resolved. The Board will take up the advisory opinion within the upcoming weeks and present the findings to the Common Council.

Summary

Administration of the reporting and certification requirements of the Code of Ethics was accomplished smoothly and successfully in 2022-2023. No new complaints were received by the Board of Ethics. The Board of Ethics is privileged to assist in implementing the city Code of Ethics.

Board of Ethics Membership

The Board of Ethics was composed of the following members for the period covered by this report:

Karri Hemmig April 30, 2024

John Campion April 30, 2025

Jamie McClendon Esq April 30, 2026

Yeprem Kelegian April 30, 2027

Ernest Ni'A April 30, 2028

Vacant

There is currently one open seat on the Board of Ethics, for the terms ending April 30, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,



Board of Ethics Chair Ernest Ni'A

4-28-2023
Date