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Dear Requester:

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) is granting in part and denying in part your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, which was received by the OGE FOIA Office on March 16, 2023 and clarified by telephone thereafter. In your clarified request, you asked for the agenda/itinerary (or similar record) for OGE's 2020 Virtual National Government Ethics Summit.

In response to your request, we are enclosing seven pages of responsive records, subject to deletions made in accordance with FOIA Exemption 5, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), as inter- or intra-agency predecisional deliberative process material. The deletions are each marked with a reference (b)(5) in the enclosed copies.

I have determined that the disclosure of the (b)(5) exempted information described above would cause foreseeable harm.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact me by telephone at 202-482-9216. I am available for assisting in reducing delays, increasing transparency and understanding of the status of requests, and assisting in the resolution of disputes. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

The OGE official responsible for this FOIA determination is the undersigned. In accordance with the FOIA, as codified at 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(A), and OGE's updated FOIA regulations, at 5 C.F.R. § 2604.304, you may administratively appeal to the Program Counsel, U.S. Office of Government Ethics, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20005-3917. Any such appeal must be in writing and must be sent within 90 days of the



date you receive this response letter. If you do appeal, you should include copies of your request and this response, together with a statement of why you believe this initial determination is in error. Also, if you appeal, you should clearly indicate on the envelope and in the letter that it is a "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

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OGE FOIA Officer

Enclosure

	Auditorium	Balcony A	Room A/B	Room C1/C2	Room E1/E2
9:30 - 9:40	Administrative Remarks			1	
9:40 - 9:50	Welcome Remarks				
9:50 – 10:30	Ethics Challenges, Changes, and the Next Chapter: The View from OGE on the Executive Branch Ethics Program				
10:45 – 12:00	Transparency and the Public Trust: The Disclosure of Ethics Records under the Ethics in Government Act	Global Perspectives on Preventing Corruption and Conflicts of Interest	Using Outreach to Maximize Limited Resources: Innovative Approaches by USDA and DOI (Part I)		Conference Speaker Registration Fees an the Federal Travel Regulation: The Latest Updates
12:15 – 12:45		Proposed Updates to the Standards of Conduct	Using Outreach to Maximize Limited Resources (Part II)		Which Came First, the Congressional Inquiry or the Press
1:00 – 1:30		Want to Work at an International Organization? A Post-Gov't Restriction Waiver Guide	The IEG: A Powerful Tool for Developing Your Agency's Ethics Staff	Getting to Compliance	
1:45 – 3:00	The 2020 Election Season: What Every Federal Employee Needs to Know about the Hatch Act	Crowdsourcing: Pointers and Pitfalls	Unique Ethics Challenges Faced by Multi-Member Boards and Commissions	Integrity 101	#Compliance: Official Use of Socia Media – Guidelines and Gray Areas
3:15 – 4:30	Hatch Act Q&A	Transparency and the Public Trust: The Disclosure of Ethics Records under the FOIA	The Full Ethics Story	Integrity Q&A – Answers to Your Questions	Ethics and Public Affairs, Stronger Together

^{*}Red sessions to be broadcast live*

	Auditorium	Balcony A	Balcony B	Room A/B	Room E1/E2
9:30 – 10:45	Making Ethics Education Relevant and Therefore Interesting	Ethics and Employee Engagement—Creating an Environment Where Employees Do Their Best	Promoting an Ethical Culture: Setting the Tone from the Top	Benchmarking: Using Data to Build a Stronger Ethics Program	OIG and Agency Cooperation: Channeling Grace, Humor, and Patience to Increase Awareness and Compliance
11:00 – 12:00	Fireside Chat: Michael Horowitz and Chip Christopher				
12:15 – 12:45		Agency Supplemental Ethics Regulation Workshop	How to Use the Ethics Program Inspection Form to Conduct a Self-Assessment	Developing Effective Written Procedures for an Ethics Program	New Employee Orientation—An "Agency Culture" Bootcamp
1:00 – 1:30		Demonstration of Automated Ethics System		Developing Effective Written Procedures for an Ethics Program	Instant Ethics Training: Using OGE-Created Training Tools for Targeted Training
1:45 – 3:00	When Technical Compliance Isn't Enough: Appearances Matter!	Using Surveys to Support Your Ethics Program: Learn from your Peers	Ethics Concerns for Private Practice Attorneys Entering and Leaving Government		Ethics, Investigations and Discipline
3:15 – 4:30	A Privacy Primer for Agency Ethics Officials	Advice and Counsel Data Call: Summary of Agency Responses	Advising Employees Who Want to Sell a Book Idea	Honoring the Unenforceable	One Size Does Not Fit All: Using Enterprise Risk Management Tools to Customize Ethics Education and Communications

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	Auditorium	Balcony A	Balcony B	Room A/B	Room E1/E2
9:30 – 10:45	Anticipating and Addressing Corruption Risks When Employees Seek New Employment	A Question of Impartiality: How Would You Advise?	Statutory Updates and Overview—Prohibited Personnel Practices/ Whistleblower Protections	Ethics Program Planning for a Presidential Election Year	Family Trusts and Public Financial Disclosure
11:00 – 12:00	Are You Ready? Preparing for the Presidential Election				
12:15 – 12:45			<i>Integrity</i> Best Practices	Practical Tools & Procedures for Preparing Employees Leaving Government Service	
1:00 – 1:30					Certification of Ethics Agreement Compliance: Process, Pitfalls & Possibilities
1:45 – 3:00	Money on My Mind: An Introduction and Refresher to 18 U.S.C. § 208	<i>Integrity</i> Nominee Functionality	Certificates of Divestiture (CDs)	Analyzing Common and Complex Financial Interests: A Roadmap	Journey to Nomination
3:15 – 4:30	Intersecting Perspectives: Post-Employment Counseling from Both Sides	Vacancies in High- Level Positions and Delegations of Authority	Integrity: Preparing for the 2020 Annual Filing Season	Difficulties with Divestiture	Public Financial Disclosure Reports Requiring OGE Certification: Tips for Agency Reviewers

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National Government Ethics Summit- Day 3

Schedule of Events for the Month of May

Session Title and Link to PowerPoint	Presenters	When	Call-In #
Open the PowerPoint prior to the session to follow along with the presenter.			
Integrity Best Practices & Integrity: Preparing for the 2020 Annual Filing Season	George Hancock, OGE Tracy Huston, OGE Elysabeth Benjamin, OGE	5/13, 12 pm	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Public Financial Disclosure Reports Requiring OGE Certification: Tips for Agency Reviewers	Megan Granahan, OGE Mark Stewart, OGE	5/19, 2 pm	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Integrity Nominee Functionality	Keith Labedz, OGE	5/21, 2 pm	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Family Trusts and Public Financial Disclosure	Keith Labedz, OGE	5/26, 2 pm	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Analyzing Common and Complex Financial Interests: A Roadmap	Deb, Bortot, OGE Monica Ashar, OGE Stephanie Nonluecha, OGE	5/28, 2 pm	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:

National Government Ethics Summit-Day 3

Schedule of Events for the Month of June

Session Title and Link to PowerPoint Open the PowerPoint prior to the session to follow along with the presenter.	Presenters	When	Call-In #
Statutory Updates and Overview— Prohibited Personnel Practices/ Whistleblower Protections	Shirine E. Moazed, Office of Special Counsel	6/11, 10 a.m. (EST)	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Certificates of Divestiture (CDs)	Elaine Newton, Office of Government Ethics Danae Serrano, Securities and Exchange Commission	6/18, 2p.m. (EST)	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Money on My Mind: An Introduction and Refresher to 18 U.S.C. § 208	Patrick Lightfoot, Office of Government Ethics Margaret Yukins, Office of Government Ethics	6/25, 2p.m. (EST)	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:

National Government Ethics Summit- Day 3 Schedule of Events for the Month of July

Session Title and Link to PowerPoint Open the PowerPoint prior to the session to follow along with the presenter.	Presenters	When	Call-In#
Journey to Nomination	M. J. (Alex) Alexander, Department of State Sean Croston, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System Jeffrey Green, Department of Defense Lorna Syme, Office of Government Ethics Teresa Williamson, Office of Government Ethics	July 9, 2p.m. (EST)	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Vacancies in High- Level Positions and Delegations of Authority	Laura Heim, Department of Justice	July 14, 2p.m. (EST)	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code:
Intersecting Perspectives: Post- Employment Counseling from Both Sides	David Taube, Office of Government Ethics Ruth Vetter, Boeing Defense, Space & Security and Government Operations	July 23, 2 p.m. (EST)	Call-in number (US/Canada): (b)(5) teleconference code Attendee access code: