

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
DATE: January 27, 2025  
BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst  
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



## OREGON GOVERNMENT ETHICS COMMISSION

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The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Oregon Government Ethics Commission subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### New Appointee

Ann Metler of Tualatin

### Term

March 1, 2025 – February 28, 2029

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 244.250 \(2023\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The commission has nine members:

- two House Democrat recommendations: MCAULEY (D), PAYNE (D);
- two House Republican recommendations: BURKE (L), MASON (R);
- two Senate Democrat recommendations: RESENDIZ GUTIERREZ (D), VACANT;
- two Senate Republican recommendations: **METLER (R)**, THOMPSON (R); and
- a ninth appointee: FISKUM (N/A).

No more than three members may be members of the same political party. A person who holds any public office for which a statement of economic interest is required, except as a member of the commission, may not be appointed. Members serve four-year terms and may not serve more than two full terms and may serve out an unexpired term. The commission elects its chair and vice chair. A quorum consists of five members, but a final decision may not be made without an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to the commission.

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4, ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 244.250 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

## Duties<sup>4</sup>

The commission administers and enforces state government ethics laws, lobby regulation laws, and the executive session provisions of Oregon's public meetings laws.

The commission must

- administer statement of economic interest requirements for specified public officials, candidates, and participating political subdivisions;
- develop a filing, coding, and cross-indexing system;
- receive and review conflict of interest records submitted by a public body;
- receive and review rules or policies adopted by a state agency or statewide public association that interpret provisions of ethics laws;
- administer legal expense trust fund requirements for public officials;
- estimate operating expenses for each biennium and assess specified public bodies an appropriate portion of those expenses;
- receive, review, investigate, and report findings on filed ethics complaints;
- accept and file any information voluntarily supplied that exceeds the requirements of ethics laws;
- prepare and publish reports;
- make statements and information filed with the commission available for public inspection and copying during regular office hours;
- not later than February 1 of each odd-numbered year, report to the Legislative Assembly on any recommended changes to the statutes administered by the commission;
- adopt rules necessary to carry out statutory duties;
- administer an electronic filing system for filing required statements;
- make statements filed with the commission, advisory opinions issued by the commission or the executive director of the commission, findings of a violation of Oregon government ethics laws, and lobbyist registration statements searchable via the internet;
- appoint an executive director to serve at the pleasure of the commission;
- prepare, publish, and distribute a manual on government ethics that explains the requirements of Oregon government ethics laws and the commission's interpretation of those requirements;
- prepare and present a program of continuing education for public officials;
- annually report to the Legislative Equity Officer on training attended by registered lobbyists; and
- administer lobbyist registration requirements.

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<sup>4</sup> [ORS 244.050 to 244.390 \(2023\)](#), [ORS 171.740 to 171.778 \(2023\)](#), and [ORS 192.685 \(2023\)](#).



## Government Ethics Commission, Oregon

Agency: **None**

Authorization: **ORS 244.250, HB 2019**

Min Members: **9** Max Members: **9**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Intergovernmental Relations**

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## Current Appointments

### **McAuley, Alicia**

Term(s): **11/19/2021 - 11/18/2025**

House Democrat Recommendation, Democrat

Position Number: **1**

### **Mr Fiskum, David M**

Term(s): **5/31/2021 - 5/2/2025**

Governor's Appointee; Non-Affiliated

**5/3/2017 - 5/2/2021**

Position Number: **9**

### **Payne, Shenoa**

Term(s): **9/28/2022 - 9/27/2026**

House Democrat Recommendation; Democrat

Position Number: **2**

### **Mr Mason, Daniel C**

Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025**

House Republican Recommendation; Republican

**7/1/2017 - 6/30/2021**

Position Number: **3**

### **Mr Burke, Richard P**

Term(s): **9/28/2022 - 9/27/2026**

House Republican Recommendation; Libertarian

**9/23/2016 - 9/22/2020**

Position Number: **4**

### **Resendiz Gutierrez, Iván**

Term(s): **7/1/2024 - 6/30/2028**

Senate Democratic Recommendation; Democrat

Position Number: **6**

### **Mr Thompson, Jonathan E**

Term(s): **11/19/2021 - 11/18/2025**

Senate Republican Recommendation; Republican

Position Number: **7**

### **Metler, Ann**

Term(s): **3/1/2025 - 2/28/2029**

Senate Republican Recommendation; Republican

Position Number: **8**

## Vacant Positions

<b>Pos</b>	<b>Former Member</b>	<b>Appointed By</b>	<b>Term Begin</b>	<b>Term End</b>
5	Newell, Channa	Governor	9/23/2024	9/22/2028
5	Newell, Channa	Governor	10/5/2023	9/22/2024
5	O'Day, Sean E	Governor	6/1/2018	5/31/2022
5	Golden, Daniel T	Governor	6/1/2014	5/31/2018