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RECORD NUMBER OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS TRAINED IN ETHICS: ANNUAL REPORT 2025

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA (December 10, 2025) The Nevada Commission on Ethics has published its **Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2025**, highlighting another year of growth in outreach, education, and case oversight. The report reflects the Commission's continued commitment to promoting integrity and transparency in Nevada government while expanding access to ethics education statewide.

"Every public servant should have access to the tools and understanding they need to uphold the public's trust," said **Executive Director Ross E. Armstrong**. "Our investment in education demonstrates our commitment to prevention as much as enforcement."

Complaints & Enforcement Highlights

- **136 complaints filed**, continuing a multi-year upward trend.
- The Commission found violations in four separate cases and entered into deferral agreements with an additional four public officials.
- Continued issuance of **Letters of Instruction and Caution** at both the jurisdictional and review panel stages to educate and resolve.
- **\$2,000 in civil penalties** collected.

Advisory Opinion Highlights

- **43 advisory opinion requests** received; **41 opinions issued**.
- Most requested topics: **Disclosure and Abstention**, **Contracting**, and **Cooling-Off** restrictions.
- **62.5%** of opinions issued within 60 days of request.

Outreach & Education Highlights

- **2,874 public servants trained**, a **44% increase** compared to the prior 3 years average
- Growth of the **Nevada Ethics Online (NEO)** learning system—from **15** course completions last year to **672** in FY25.
- Launch of a **quarterly ethics newsletter** and expanded outreach via **LinkedIn**, now reaching more than **1,100 Nevada-based followers**.

"As the Ethics Law enters its 50th year, we've made great progress," said **Commission Chair Scott Scherer**. "Our continued goal is not only to interpret and enforce the Ethics Law as written by the Legislature but to also help officials understand how to avoid conflicts and maintain the integrity the public expects."

For more information on the Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Report or to access the Commission's resources and meeting information, visit ethics.nv.gov.

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