



STATE OF NEVADA

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re **Danny Tarkanian**, Commissioner,
Board of County Commissioners,
Douglas County, State of Nevada,

Ethics Complaint
Case No. 24-107C
Confidential

Subject. /

REVIEW PANEL DETERMINATION
NRS 281A.730; NAC 281A.440

The Nevada Commission on Ethics (“Commission”) received the above-captioned Ethics Complaint (“Complaint”) from a member of the public (“Requester”) on August 6, 2024. The Complaint alleges violations of NRS Chapter 281A by Danny Tarkanian (“Subject”). The Commission issued its *Order on Jurisdiction and Investigation* on September 18, 2024, and directed the Executive Director to investigate Subject’s alleged violations of NRS 281A.400(2), (5), and (7), and NRS 281A.520.

Subject is a public officer as defined in NRS 281A.160, and the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to NRS 281A.280 because the allegations contained in the Complaint relate to Subject’s conduct as a public officer and associate implications of the Ethics Law.

On December 17, 2024, a Review Panel consisting of Vice Chair Wallin and Commissioners Lowry, and Yen considered the following: (1) Ethics Complaint; (2) Order on Jurisdiction; (3) Subject’s Response; and (4) Executive Director’s Recommendation to the Review Panel with Summary of Investigatory Findings and Relevant Evidentiary Exhibits.¹

The Review Panel unanimously finds and concludes that the facts establish credible evidence to support a determination that just and sufficient cause exists for the Commission to render an opinion in this matter regarding the alleged violation of NRS 281A.400(2) but that a Confidential Letter of Caution should be issued in lieu of referral.

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¹All materials provided to the Review Panel, except the Ethics Complaints and the Orders on Jurisdiction and Investigation, represent portions of the investigatory file and remain confidential pursuant to NRS 281A.750.

A Review Panel may issue a Confidential Letter of Caution to “warn a public officer or employee that his or her conduct as alleged in the ethics complaint is sufficient to implicate a violation of chapter 281A of NRS” and the facts and evidence presented in this matter indicate that issuing a Confidential Letter of Caution to Subject is appropriate so that Subject is aware of the requirements for strict compliance with the Ethics Law. Specifically, that Subject must maintain a clear separation between his private campaign interests and his public duties.

The Review Panel also unanimously finds and concludes that the facts do not establish credible evidence to support a determination that just and sufficient cause exists to refer the alleged violations of NRS 281A.400(5) and (7) and NRS 281A.520 to the Commission and those allegations are dismissed.

Upon issuance of the Confidential Letter of Caution to Subject, this matter is dismissed.

DATED this 17th day of December, 2024.

REVIEW PANEL OF THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

By: /s/ Kim Wallin
Kim Wallin, CPA, CMA, CFM
Vice Chair (Presiding Officer)

By: /s/ Teresa Lowry
Teresa Lowry, Esq.
Commissioner

By: /s/ Amanda Yen
Amanda Yen, Esq.
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