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*A message from the...*

*Ethics Administrator*



Many of the readers of this newsletter may recognize my name as being associated with the Alaska Public Offices Commission. Yes, I am the same Jerry Anderson, former Assistant Director of APOC; but now, having accepted a new challenge in my career, I am Administrator for the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics.

I have worked with Joyce Anderson for many years—as the administration of laws of APOC and Legislative Ethics intersect in some areas—and I have always found Joyce to be committed to the highest level of professional achievement and well organized. Her dedication and hard work are an inspiration to me as I begin the Administrator position.

Prior to working for APOC, I was a Magistrate in Kenai and Galena. My 25 year legal career as an attorney has included many different areas of law in the court system and in private practice. For a period of time, I was a prosecutor and a court-appointed criminal defense attorney.

My educational background includes a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Nebraska, and a Master's degree and Bachelor's degree in Economics.

I look forward to continuing my career in public service for the Alaska Legislature.

Please do not hesitate to call me anytime if you have questions. I'm here to help with guidance on ethical concerns.

*Jerry D. Anderson*



AFTER-ELECTION INFORMATION THAT MAY BE HELPFUL TO LEGISLATORS AND STAFF

**USE OF STATE RESOURCES IN THE NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES**

The Ethics office has been receiving inquiries regarding the use of state resources for legislative outreach in the NEW DISTRICT boundaries now that the 2014 elections are over.

The Ethics Committee determined at the June 14, 2012 meeting that legislators may not use state resources for legislative outreach in the NEW DISTRICT boundaries *until after the November 4 General Election results have been certified by the State Division of Elections.*

According to the Division of Elections website, the target election certification date is **Friday, November 28, 2014.**

**CONSTITUENT INFORMATION GATHERED FOR CAMPAIGN PURPOSES**

The Ethics Committee determined in 2004, with the issuance of Advisory Opinion 04-01, that “constituent information gathered by a candidate using private resources can be used by that person if subsequently elected to serve as a legislator.”

[AO 04-01](#) contains additional information.

NOTE: Updating a legislative constituent database with information from a campaign constituent database can be performed prior to November 28 as long as the legislator is not sending out a constituent communication prior to November 28.

**Please call the Ethics Office if you have questions or need advice about a fact-specific activity.**

**Ethics Training dates will be available on our website December 1st, and featured in our next newsletter, THE ADVISOR, December edition.**