



Ethics and Internal Investigations

Churchwell White LLP brings to its clients a one-of-a-kind perspective and approach to ethics-related matters that is unmatched by any other firm, large or small. One of our founding partners, Steven Churchwell, served as General Counsel to the Fair Political Practices Commission and personally established many of the policies and procedures that are currently in place today. This means our firm is uniquely qualified to provide counsel on issues related to the Political Reform Act, the Elections Code, conflicts of interest and disciplinary proceedings. Our attorneys can provide custom tailored training to municipalities, boards, corporations, and legislative staff in all areas related to ethics and compliance with AB 1234.

Churchwell White LLP has extensive experience defending individuals and entities under investigation by the Fair Political Practices Commission for claimed violations of the Political Reform Act and Government Code section 1090. A single complaint by a disgruntled employee or political opponent can result in a large disruption in your life. We help you address the matter

head-on in order to quickly resolve the issue and reduce its impact.

Churchwell White LLP attorneys can also assist both public agencies and private companies in conducting internal investigations. Our attorneys have experience navigating the various issues that arise during all types of investigations, including grand jury investigations, internal investigations, and related civil litigation and administrative enforcement actions. Our attorneys are adept at controlling discovery related to the investigation, managing all related privacy issues in the investigation and finding successful settlements for all parties involved.

The internal investigation practice at the firm includes:

- Designing and conducting internal review processes.
- Representing officers, directors, and employees in internal inquiries.
- Investigating inquiries on behalf of companies, boards of directors, or public agencies into officer, director, or employee misconduct.



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