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Weekly Digest Week of March 14 – 18

COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

On March 15, the Commission held an [executive session](#).

The [open meeting](#) and an [executive session](#) scheduled for March 16 were canceled due to the closure of the Metrorail system.

ADVISORY OPINIONS

Request Received

[Advisory Opinion Request 2016-03 \(Holding for Congress\)](#). On March 18, the Commission made public Advisory Opinion Request 2016-03. Requestor asks whether Representative Holding may raise additional contributions subject to a new contribution limit during a campaign with multiple primary dates. The Commission must issue a response no later than 60 days after the receipt of the complete request, that is, by May 16, 2016.

LITIGATION

[Levinthal, et al v. FEC](#) (Case 1:15-cv-01148-JEB). On March 11, the Plaintiffs filed a [Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment and Opposition to Commission's Motion for Summary Judgment](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

[Republican Party of Louisiana, et al. v. FEC](#) (Case 1:15-cv-1241). On March 15, the Commission filed its [Motion to Dissolve Three-Judge Court with Instructions to Dismiss or, Alternatively, to Dismiss Action](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

COMMISSIONERS' STATEMENTS

On March 10, Commissioner Ann M. Ravel issued a [Statement](#).

OUTREACH

On March 17, Commissioner Ellen L. Weintraub gave opening remarks at the premiere of a film entitled "Power in Our Pockets: Social Media, Money & Politics in the Digital Age," part of the Money and Politics campaign of International IDEA, in Washington, D.C.

On Friday, March 18, Commissioner Ann M. Ravel discussed campaign finance on a panel at the VI Ibero-American Conference in Brasilia, Brazil.

PRESS RELEASES

[Federal Election Commission Certifies Federal Matching Funds for O'Malley](#) (issued March 17)

UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

March 31: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [open meeting](#).

Meeting dates are subject to change. Please contact the Press Office the week of the scheduled meeting for confirmation.

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

March 23: Webinar for Candidate Committees. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

April 19-20, Orlando, FL, Regional Conference for House & Senate Campaigns; National, State, District & Local Party Committees; and Corporate, Labor, Membership & Trade Organization PACs. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

UPCOMING REPORTING DUE DATES

March 20: March Monthly Reports are due. For more information on monthly reporting dates, refer to the [2016 Monthly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

April 15: April Quarterly Reports are due. For information on quarterly reporting dates, refer to the [2016 Quarterly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

April 20: April Monthly Reports are due. For more information on monthly reporting dates, refer to the [2016 Monthly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

DISCLOSURE INITIATIVES

Commission staff, together with our partners at 18F, continue to add new features to the agency's [beta.fec.gov](#) website. The Commission encourages website visitors to submit comments and questions by clicking on the "Feedback" tab at the bottom of each page.

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH MATERIALS

Additional research materials about the agency, campaign finance information, and election results are available through the [Library section](#) of the Commission website.

The Commission has published the [March Record](#) newsletter. [Sign up](#) to receive email notification when new Record articles are posted.

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