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I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. OGE should:
- remove the exception that makes compliance with the regulation optional;
- replace the proposed recusal requirement with a broader 5-year recusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests;
- remove the offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser; and
- place nonprofit charities (501(c)(3) organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers.

The role of government and its officials is to serve the interest of the public with ethical awareness and actions. When the government serves the public interest and avoids engaging in behavior that promotes private interest, it is acting for the common good. Optional ethics is equal to no ethics.

Regards,
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