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This proposed rule is insane. Optional rules are rules that will be ignored. By instituting this policy you are doing nothing more than creating a recipe for disaster. We don't need to make it easier for the next wannabe dictator and his cronies to destroy our country.

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.

Fix it.

Thank you,
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