

Complaint against Corrections Corp of America aka Core Civic

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I believe the "oversight" in reporting money paid to Doug Chin for lobbying was deliberate and was done to prevent the State Senate from knowing that they were confirming a private prison lobbyist to be the Attorney General.

Considering the public outcry when lobbyist Carleton Ching was appointed to head DLNR and the subsequent withdrawal of his appointment at a result, this is serious.

And it looks like CCA is already getting their money's worth from Douglas Chin as he is blocking release to the media of information on problems at the private prison.

<http://www.motherjones.com/>

Facts of the complaint:

(1) Lobbying Period - May 1 - Dec 31, 2013

http://files.hawaii.gov/ethics/orgexp/2013/ORG-C0079-2013-03_Kfx10-9640.pdf

Originally filed - 1/31/2014

Chin appointed to AG - January 2015

Amended (to include Chin \$27,500) - 4/8/2015

(2) Lobbying Period - Jan 1 - Feb 28, 2014

http://files.hawaii.gov/ethics/orgexp/2014/ORG-C0079-2014-01_Kfx10-9639.pdf

Originally filed - 3/27/2014

Amended (to include Chin \$2,500) - 4/8/2015

(3) Lobbying Period - Mar 1 - Apr 30, 2014

http://files.hawaii.gov/ethics/orgexp/2014/ORG-C0079-2014-02_Kfx10-9638.pdf

Originally filed - 5/30/2014

Amended (to include Chin \$7,500) - 4/8/2015

(4) Lobbying Period - May 1 - Dec 31, 2014

http://files.hawaii.gov/ethics/orgexp/2014/OrgExp_5845.pdf

Originally filed - 1/12/2014

Amended (to include Sabas \$62,496 Chin \$0) - 3/19/2015

Amended again (to include Sabas \$31,248, Chin \$31,248) - 4/8/2015

- CoreCivic (fka CCA) broke state ethics laws by neglecting to file lobbying expenditures on time.

- The only forms amended by Core Civic were amended to include Chin's lobbying payouts. No other forms were amended by CoreCivic. So this "oversight" appears to serve the strategic purpose of aiding in Doug Chin's confirmation as AG.

- Chin was appointed to Attorney General and confirmed in January 2015. His lobbying history was supposed to be public on hidden from the public during his entire vetting and confirmation process.

Is this sufficient for a formal complaint or do I need to put the complaint on some form? Please let me know what my next step is in pursuing this matter.

Sincerely,

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