



**NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT BY OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
TO BOARD OR COMMISSION**

**TO:** City Council

**THROUGH:** Amy Aller Cobb, Interim City Clerk

**BY:** Jerry P. Dyer, Mayor

           Reappointment

  X   New Appointment

Name of person replaced: Sarah Harris

**Name:** Larry Westerlund

**Address:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Phone:** [REDACTED]

**Appointed to:** Fresno County Transportation Authority -  
Urban Public Member-at-Large

**Term:** Through December 2027

*City Council 1/15/2026*



## SUBJECT: CONFLICT OF INTEREST – BOARD MEMBERS

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### POLICY STATEMENT

In addition to any Federal or State conflict of interest requirements which may apply, no member of any board, commission or committee shall make, participate in making or in any way attempt to use their position to influence a decision in which he or she knows or has reason to know that he or she or their spouse has a financial interest. In all such cases, the affected member shall disclose their interests in the records of the board, commission or committee and shall refrain from participating in all discussions and votes concerning the matter in which they or their spouse has a financial interest.

The purpose of this policy is not only to avoid actual improprieties, but also the appearance of possible improprieties. Therefore, it is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that any doubts as to whether a member shall refrain from participating in a particular matter should be resolved in favor of non-participation.

While recognizing that state law and regulations may specify categories of memberships on certain board, commission and committees, to the extent possible, no one shall be appointed to a board, commission or committee which recommends funding allocations to community-based organizations, who is or whose spouse is a director, or officer of an agency or organization which competes in the funding process before that board, commission or committee.

### MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS

#### Public Meetings/Brown Act:

All meetings of the Authority and its appointed standing committees shall be conducted pursuant to Chapter 9 commencing with Section 54950 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code (referred to here as the Brown Act Open Meeting Requirements).

#### Meetings - Board/Committee Requirements

**Quorum Requirements:** A majority of the members of the Authority and its appointed standing committees constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. All official acts of the Authority and its appointed standing committees require the affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Authority or committee.

**Motions, Resolutions, Ordinance Requirements:** The acts of the Authority shall be expressed by motion, resolution, and or ordinance. An Ordinance is specifically required in adoption of the administrative code, and the retail transactions and use tax (1/2%); resolutions are specifically required for the issuance of limited tax bonds. All actions by advisory committees established by the Authority will be by motion.

**Rules of Procedures:** All meetings of the Authority and its appointed standing committees will, in the absence of any requirements of Division 15 or other law, operate under Roberts Rules of Order as revised.

**Conflict of Interest:** (FCTA Administrative Code Appendix E attached)

## Administrative Code Appendix E

### CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE FOR **FRESNO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

The Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 81000, et seq.) requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict-of-interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation (2 Cal. Code of Regs. Section 18730) that contains the terms of a standard conflict-of-interest code and may be incorporated by reference in an agency's code. After public notice and hearing, the standard code may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations Section 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This regulation and the attached Appendices designating positions and establishing disclosure requirements shall constitute the conflict-of-interest code of the **Fresno County Transportation Authority (Authority)**.

The Form 700s for designated positions, other than the members of the Authority Board and the Executive Director, shall be filed with the Authority. Authority's Board Members and Authority's Executive Director are to file their original Form 700s directly with the Clerk of the Board for the Fresno County Board of Supervisors using the electronic filing system. If the Form 700s are not filed electronically, the paper Form 700 and waiver shall be filed with the Authority and, upon receipt of these paper Form 700s with waivers, the Authority shall make and retain a copy and forward the original to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The Authority shall retain a copy of all electronically filed Form 700s, a copy of all paper Form 700s with waivers and the original Form 700s of designated positions and shall make the Form 700s available for public review, inspection, and reproduction. (Gov. Code section 81008.)

The provisions of all Conflict-of-Interest Codes and amendments thereto previously adopted by the Agency are hereby superseded.

## APPENDIX A

### Public Officials Who Manage Public Investments

It has been determined that positions listed below manage public investments ***and will file a statement of economic interests pursuant to Government Code Section 87200.*** These positions are listed for informational purposes only:

- All members of the Authority Board
- Executive Director

An individual holding one of the above-listed positions may contact the Fair Political Practices Commission for assistance or written advice regarding their filing obligations if they believe that their position has been categorized incorrectly. The Fair Political Practices Commission makes the final determination whether a position is covered by Government Code Section 87200.

## DESIGNATED POSITIONS

### Designated Positions

### Disclosure Categories

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|-----------------------------|----|
| • Program Manager           | 1  |
| • Contracts Administrator   | 1  |
| • Legal Counsel             | 1  |
| • Consultants/New Positions | 1* |

\*Consultants/New Positions are included in the list of designated positions and shall disclose pursuant to the disclosure requirements in this code subject to the following limitation:

The Executive Director may determine in writing that a particular consultant or new position, although a “designated position,” is hired to perform a range of duties that is limited in scope and thus is not required to comply fully with the disclosure requirements in this section. Such written determination shall include a description of the consultant’s or new position’s duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The Executive Director or his/her designee’s determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this conflict-of-interest code. (Gov. Code Sec. 81008.)

## APPENDIX B DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

Individuals holding designated positions must report their interests according to their assigned disclosure category(ies).

### Disclosure Category 1

Interests in real property located within the jurisdiction or within two miles of the boundaries of the jurisdiction or within two miles of any land owned or used by the agency; and investments and business positions in business entities, and income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from all sources.

### Disclosure Category 2

Interests in real property located within the jurisdiction or within two miles of the boundaries of the jurisdiction or within two miles of any land owned or used by the agency.

### Disclosure Category 3

Investments and business positions in business entities, and income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from sources, that provide services, supplies, materials, machinery, or equipment of the type utilized by the agency.

### Disclosure Category 4

Investments and business positions in business entities, and income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from sources, that provide services, supplies, materials, machinery, or equipment of the type utilized by the designated position's division or department.

### Disclosure Category 5

Investments and business positions in business entities, and income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from sources, that filed a claim against the agency during the previous two years, or have a claim pending.

### Disclosure Category 6

Investments and business positions in business entities, and income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from sources of the type to request an entitlement to use agency property or facilities, including, but not limited to:

- a license
- utility permit
- station vendor permit

# *Lawrence E. Westerlund, Esq.*

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## *EDUCATION*

<b>University of Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento</b> <i>Juris Doctor</i>	<b>1994</b>
<b>Cambridge University, Downing College, England</b> <i>Postgraduate Studies in International Law</i>	<b>1992</b>
<b>California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo</b> <i>Bachelor of Arts, Political Science</i>	<b>1988</b>

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## *EXPERIENCE*

<b>President</b> <u>Westerlund Enterprises LLC</u> , Fresno, CA	<b>2012 – Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▸ Representing and assisting corporate and governmental clients for <b>economic development</b>, entitlements, site selection, government affairs and project management.</li></ul>	
<b>Vice President for Development and Community Engagement</b> <u>White Pine Renewables LLC</u> , San Francisco, CA	<b>2023 – 2025</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▸ Development and community engagement for utility and commercial scale solar and battery storage projects.</li></ul>	
<b>Senior Counsel</b> <u>Coleman &amp; Horowitz</u> , Fresno, CA	<b>2013 – 2023</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▸ Representing corporate and individuals in civil litigation, real estate and entitlement matters.</li></ul>	
<b>Director of Economic Development</b> <u>City of Fresno</u> , Fresno, CA	<b>2013 – 2019</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▸ Directing the City's efforts to <b>attract, expand and retain</b> corporations through federal, state and local incentives, site selection and project management, e.g. Ulta Beauty, Amazon and Gap fulfillment centers.</li></ul>	
<b>Council Member</b> <u>City of Fresno</u> , Fresno, CA	<b>2005 – 2012</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▸ Served as Councilman in District 4 containing 70,000 constituents in <b>California's 5<sup>th</sup> largest city</b>. Fiscal responsibilities encompassed a budget of more than 1 billion annually.</li><li>▸ My focus entailed <b>economic development</b>, including <b>Chair, Fresno Redevelopment Agency; Board Member, Fresno Economic Development Corporation</b>.</li><li>▸ Spearheaded initiatives to stimulate economic growth, e.g. conversion of <b>Dole Plant and Jain Irrigation</b> consolidation.</li></ul>	

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**Senior Associate Attorney****2002 – 2003**Wagner Kirkman Blaine & Youmans, Sacramento, CA

- Firm's focus was on representing corporate and individuals in **civil litigation, real estate, and employment** matters.

**Associate Attorney****1999 – 2002**

Emerick Pereira &amp; Fike, Fresno, CA

- Represented clients in litigation regarding **healthcare, agriculture, white-collar crime, personal injury, and commercial matters**.

**Assistant District Attorney** (Career Criminal Special Prosecutor)**1995 – 1999**

Tulare County District Attorney's Office

- Conducted **36 jury trials**, 11 of which were for "25 to life" crimes. Prosecuted several hundred general felony and misdemeanor offenses during my tenure.

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***COURT ADMISSIONS***

California State Supreme Court

United States Court of Appeal for the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit

United States District Courts for Eastern District and Central District

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***AFFILIATIONS***

California Bar Associations

Former California State Real Estate Broker License - #1916267

Former Board of Directors for the California Municipal Finance Authority

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***MILITARY***

Commissioned as **Ensign in the United State Navy** in 1988 and served until 2012, retired as a **Lieutenant Commander**. Activated in 2008 and served as Counter Terrorism Train and Equip Manager in support of the Joint Special Operation Task Force for the Trans Sahara. Final duty as Officer in Charge of Cargo Afloat Rigging Team based at NAS Lemoore.