



STATE OF VERMONT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
HOUSE ETHICS PANEL

MEMORANDUM

To: Vermont House of Representatives
From: House Ethics Panel
Date: January 5, 2022
Subject: 2021 House Ethics Panel report

Pursuant to [House Rule 90\(b\)\(8\)](#), the House Ethics Panel reports that in the year 2021, the Panel received four complaints. The Panel closed three of these complaints because pursuant to § 3(A) of the [Panel Procedure for Handling Ethics Complaints](#), the Panel determined there were no reasonable grounds to believe that an ethical violation occurred. The fourth complaint is currently pending.

In addition, in the year 2021, the Panel ensured that all House members submitted the following:

- For all elected members, their disclosure form prepared by the State Ethics Commission that was required to be submitted along with their candidate consent pursuant to [17 V.S.A. § 2414](#).¹
- For all members, their signed oath of office required to be submitted to the House Clerk's Office.
- For all members, their disclosure required by [House Rule 14a](#).²

Finally, in the year 2021, Panel members reported receiving three House member requests for ethical advice.

¹ These candidate disclosures are posted under the Secretary of State's "Candidate Listing for November 3, 2020 General Election" on this webpage: <https://sos.vermont.gov/elections/election-info-resources/candidates/>

² These member disclosures are posted on the following House Overview webpage: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/house/clerk-of-the-house/2021-ethics-disclosure-forms/>