

## Conflict of Interest Code Exemption

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## **Exemption Requirements**

- Government Code section 87300: Requires public bodies to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code
- California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 18751 provides an exemption:
  - The agency has no "designated employees," within the meaning of Government Code §§ 82019 and 87302(a), including any agency that is a committee, board, commission, or similar multi member body that:
    - (i) Will not acquire real property in the foreseeable future.
    - (ii) Has an annual operating budget exclusive of salaries of less than \$150,000, and
    - (iii) Does not otherwise possess decisionmaking authority as defined in Regulation 18700(c)(2)."
  - Under Government Code section 82019, subdivision (b)(1), a "designated employee" is not an "unsalaried member of any board or commission which serves a solely advisory function.