



# Illinois Ethics Matters

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## Recent News

The OEIG is pleased to announce the following additions and changes to its staff:

- **Kilby Macfadden** joined the agency as a Deputy Inspector General in Chicago;
- **Diana V. Zuver** returned to the OEIG as a Deputy Inspector General in the Regional Transit Board Division;
- **Julia Kieler** and **Melissa Schaefer** transferred to be Analysts, **Tonya Neal** returned to the agency and **Aukosua Stokes** joined the OEIG as an Analyst, in the Hiring and Employment Monitor Division;
- **Bryce Carlson** joined the agency as an Assistant Inspector General in the Complaints & Compliance Division;
- **Richard Noble** joined the agency as an Investigator in the Springfield office; and
- **Marissa Pinto** joined the agency as a Legal Intern in the Chicago office and **Emily Welch** joined the agency as Investigative Interns.

## IDOT Employee Fined \$1,000 for Gift Ban Violation



The Executive Ethics Commission has granted the OEIG's motion for summary judgment against an IDOT employee for violating the gift ban under the Ethics Act.

Kim Periman, an IDOT employee since 2001, was responsible for various administrative duties involving Official Testing Stations, which are privately-owned vehicle service stations that IDOT authorizes to perform required testing. In the course of her duties, Ms. Periman communicated with the owner of a service center regarding the annual renewal of the center's permit. In that communication, Ms. Periman noted that she was travelling to England and was unable to afford a plane ticket to bring her daughter with her. The service center owner then paid over \$2,800 for Ms. Periman's daughter's round-trip ticket.

Following receipt of the OEIG interview request, Ms. Periman paid the owner for the plane ticket. The OEIG investigation led IDOT to suspend Ms. Periman for 30 days without pay. The OEIG filed a petition with the EEC alleging a gift ban violation. Ms. Periman stipulated to key facts and did not contest the petition. The EEC levied a \$1,000 fine. The decision is **Hickey v Periman**, 16EEC005.

## Maggie Hickey Confirmed as Executive Inspector General for Agencies of the Illinois Governor

On May 23, the Senate voted 52-0 to confirm Gov. Bruce Rauner's nomination of Maggie Hickey to serve as Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor. Hickey has held the post in an acting capacity since last July.

At the May 12 Senate Executive Appointments Committee hearing, Chairman Tony Muñoz said that Ms. Hickey is "more than qualified," and Sen. Kimberly Lightford noted that Ms. Hickey's "background is phenomenal."

The Senate also confirmed without opposition Steven Schnorf and James Schink as members of the Executive Ethics Commission.