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## Recent News

The EEC issued a revolving door determination decision on February 14, 2013:

- **In re: Debra Kay Inman**, 13-EEC-013, the EEC reversed the OEIG's determination and found that Ms. Inman's proposed employment would violate the Ethics Act.

The EEC also issued a revolving door determination decision on March 7, 2013:

- **In re: Daniel Grant**, 13-EEC-014, the EEC affirmed the OEIG's determination that Mr. Grant's proposed employment would not violate the Ethics Act.

Complete copies of the above mentioned decisions may be found on the OEIG's website.

## OEIG Introduces New Fraud Reporting Poster



As part of an ongoing effort to eliminate waste, fraud, abuse, and other forms of misconduct, the OEIG has produced a new poster aimed at encouraging individuals under the OEIG's jurisdiction, the general public, and others to

report misconduct.

“We encourage the reporting of misconduct involving public employees. Reporting is often the first step in eliminating government waste, fraud, and abuse.” – **Ricardo Meza**

The posters will soon be introduced by the four Chicago-area regional transit “boards” (RTA, CTA, Metra, and Pace). It is expected that the posters will be displayed within the transit agencies and in various formats, in trains, buses, and other public locations. The OEIG will also make the poster available to other agencies under its jurisdiction in the near future.

The poster will supplement the OEIG's other channels of communication, which include its:

- website ([www.inspectorgeneral.illinois.gov](http://www.inspectorgeneral.illinois.gov));
- annual employee ethics training programs;
- monthly electronic newsletter (*Illinois Ethics Matters*); and
- presentations to civic and other public groups.

On a fiscal year basis, the annual number of complaints of wrongdoing received by the OEIG has more than doubled from 1,171 complaints received in FY10 to 2,492 received in FY12.

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## Coming Soon: Updated Revolving Door Forms

The OEIG will soon be updating and revising its Revolving Door forms. The revised forms:

- accommodate new notification requirements that apply to individuals who contemplate self-employment; and
- use language designed to make the reporting requirements more easily understood by those submitting the forms.

Prior to their implementation, the OEIG will seek comment from the Office of the Attorney General, the Executive Ethics Commission, and ethics officers regarding the revised forms.

The updated forms will then be available on our website for use by those required to comply with the Revolving Door provisions of the Ethics Act.

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**Calendar of Events:** March 25 – 27, 2013: AIG Benz will attend the National Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Training Institute in Charleston, SC.; March 27, 2013: EIG Meza will testify before the Senate Appropriations II Committee in Chicago regarding the OEIG's FY 2014 proposed Budget; and April 5, 2013: EIG Meza will testify before the House Appropriations—General Services Committee in Chicago regarding the OEIG's FY 2014 proposed Budget.