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Opinion No.: 2005-201

Smith, Lindsley State Representative

RE: Does ACA 22-9-101 apply to major repairs to existing public works where the contemplated expenditure exceeds \$25,000, or are the services of a registered professional engineer only required for new construction of public works? ANSWER: The requirements of 22-9-101 are not limited to new construction and can apply to major repairs. Compare A.C.A. 22-9-203, 22-9-301, 22-9-302, 22-9-401, 22-9-601 (other provisions in Chapter 9 of Title 22 employing similar language and having a similar object or purpose).

Opinion No.: 2005-204

Jones, Terry D.

Pros Attorney, 4th Judicial District

RE: May the county clerk and/or election commission accept a faxed petition to run for school board, either as a regular candidate or as a write on? Q2) May the county clerk and/or election commission refuse to put a name or issue on any ballot if they have only received a faxed petition? Q3) If the clerk or [election] commission were to allow a name or issue on a ballot based on a faxed petition, would this void the election? ANSWER: Q1) A petition transmitted /submitted to the county clerk's office by facsimile machine likely fails to meet the petition filing requirement for school board candidacy. See A.C.A. 6-14-111(b). But the notice requirement for write-in candidacy is likely satisfied by a fax. See 6-14-111(c). Q2) In my opinion, the county clerk may refuse to certify the sufficiency of a faxed petition supporting a school board candidate. If, however, the clerk nevertheless accepts a faxed petition and certifies the sufficiency of the petition to the board of election commissioners, it is my opinion that the election commission may not, based solely upon the faxed petition, refuse to place the candidate's name on the ballot. The answer is unclear regarding an "issue on any ballot." Q3) No. The notice requirement for write-in candidacy is, on the other hand, in my opinion likely satisfied by a fax.

Opinion No.: 2005-205

Glover, Bobby L. State Senator

RE: Can the City of Cabot donate \$500 per month to the Lonoke County Safe Haven, a shelter for domestic abuse victims? Q2) If the answer to question one (1) is "no," can the City of Cabot contract with Lonoke County Safe Haven for services? Q3) If the answer to question two (2) is "yes," should the city's payments to Safe Haven be limited to payments for services provided to victims who are also residents of the City of Cabot? Q4) Can the Cabot Water Wastewater Commission, pursuant to ACA 14-234-307(b)(1), donate funds to support Lonoke County Safe Haven? RESPONSE: Q1) No. Article 12, Sec. 5 of the Arkansas Constitution, as interpreted by the Arkansas Supreme Court, would preclude a city from donating public funds to a private, nonprofit corporation. Q2) Yes, subject to the condition that the consideration the city pays for the services at issue must be reasonable. Q3) Yes, given that a city's statutory police powers enable it to provide only for the general welfare of its "inhabitants." A.C.A. 14-55-102. Q4) No. Although A.C.A. 14-42-108(b)(2) and 14-234-307(b)(1) expressly authorize municipal water commissions to donate money to various types of organizations, I believe these statutes would be adjudged unconstitutional as offending Article 12, Sec. 5 if they were read as authorizing the donation of public funds to a private, nonprofit corporation.

Opinion No.: 2005-206

Capps, John Paul State Senator

RE: Is it the intent and purpose of Act 1372 of 2005 that a nonprofit corporation established under Act 1372 be funded by a levy of a tax (ACA 14-174-101, et seq.)? Q2) May a corporation established under Act 1372 be funded by an appropriation of general funds yearly budget expenditures rather than by a levy of a tax authorized by the voters as provided for in ACA 14-174-103? Would this be in violation of Ark. Const. art. 12, sec. 5? Q3) Is it your opinion that a lawsuit

could be successfully brought against a municipality that funded a corporation established under authority of Act 1372 of 2005 with money from the General Fund yearly budget appropriation rather than from a levy of a tax as prescribed and authorized by the voters under Act 1372? RESPONSE: Q1) I believe the legislature clearly intended that a public economic development corporation of the sort authorized by Act 1372 of 2005 be funded by a levy of a tax. Specifically, A.C.A. 14-175-111(b)(1)(A) (Supp. 2005) expressly authorizes levying a voter-approved sales and use tax to finance projects undertaken by such a corporation. Q2) The law is unclear as to whether or not a political subdivision might appropriate unpledged general funds to subsidize a public corporation formed under the Public Corporations for Economic Development Act (the "PCEDA"), which was enacted as Act 1372, Sec. 3 and is codified at A.C.A. 14-175-101 through -116 (Supp. 2005). As a general rule, in the absence of prohibitory legislation, a political subdivision may pledge public funds, including general revenues, to a public entity to fulfill a "public purpose." Unfortunately, it remains unclear whether the legislature intended the financing mechanism set forth in the PCEDA to be exclusive, primary or optional. Legislative clarification appears warranted. I do not believe the fact that a political subdivision provided such alternative funding would offend Ark. Const. art. 12, Sec. 5. As noted, I believe the issue is one of statutory preemption. Q3) Given the uncertainty addressed in my response to your second question, I cannot confidently predict the outcome of a lawsuit challenging the funding of a PCEDA project using general funds.

Opinion No.: 2005-209

Walters, Shirley State Representative

RE: What exactly is necessary to qualify for the homestead exemption? Q2) Can a person have more than one homestead exemption? Q3) Can the seller of property take a homestead exemption on a house he is selling by contract even though he has a homestead exemption on his residence? Q4) Can a homestead exemption be claimed on property in a trust? Q5) Can the spouse of a disabled veteran claim the

veteran's home tax exemption even though the veteran is in a nursing home? Q6) What if the veteran is deceased and the spouse lives in the house? Q7) What if the veteran is deceased, the spouse is in a nursing home, and someone else is living in the house? RESPONSE: Q1) See Ark. Op. Att'y Gen No. 2001-213, which summarizes the various types of homestead exemptions. Q2) & Q3) No. A.C.A. 26-3-306(e) and 26-26-1119(a)(1). Q4) Revocable trust property occupied by the grantor may qualify as a homestead for purposes of applying the Amendment 79 exemptions. A.C.A. 26-26-1122(a)(1)(B). I do not believe other property held in trust would qualify for a homestead exemption. See Ark. Op. Att'y Gen. No. 95-408 (discussing the concept of equitable ownership as it relates to homestead exemptions). Q5) Although the Arkansas Code would benefit from legislative clarification on this issue, I believe the answer to your question is, in all likelihood, "yes." Q6) Yes. A.C.A. 26-3-306(a)(1)(B)(i) (Supp. 2005). Q7) No.

Opinion No.: 2005-210

Broadway, Shane State Senator

RE: May a member of the Springhill Fire Protection District Board serve the remainder of the member's appointed term after the area in which the member resides has been annexed into the city? Q2) Is there any legal impediment to the board remaining intact until the annexation results of the November 2006 general election are certified? Q3) If a board member must be replaced prior to the expiration of the member's term as a result of either proposed annexation, how and when should the board member be replaced? Q4) If part of the Springhill Fire Protection District is annexed into the City of Bryant, is the district required to reorganize? If so, how and when, and may the board wait until the annexation results of the November 2006 general election are certified to accomplish the reorganization? RESPONSE: With respect to your first question, if there is a "mutual, formal agreement" between the district and the City, or if bonded indebtedness is outstanding, a court in my opinion would find that the fire protection district includes the annexed lands for the reasons set forth

below, allowing the board member to continue service. If there is no agreement and no outstanding bonds, it is unclear whether the boundaries of the fire protection district change by operation of law so as to affect the board member's service. In my opinion, however, in any event, the board member would be at least a de facto officer who could continue to serve until or unless removed or until the expiration of his term. With respect to your second question, in my opinion the Board must continue to abide by the statutory terms of office set by law. With respect to your third question, A.C.A. 14-284-208(c) governs filling of vacancies on the board and specifies that the county court will appoint a new commissioner for the remainder of the vacating commissioner's term. With respect to your fourth question, in my opinion as long as the Springhill Fire Protection District was properly formed originally, there is no need to reorganize when some portion of the district has been annexed. Legislative clarification on the status of the annexed territory is warranted, however.

Opinion No.: 2005-211

Hardwick, Horace A. *State Representative*

RE: Does Act 971 of 2005 apply to all college employees or only to classified, non-faculty employees? RESPONSE: In my opinion, Act 971 of 2005 was repealed by implication upon the enactment of Act 1288 of 2005. In the wake of both acts, I believe only classified employees of state-supported institutions of higher learning, including two-year institutions, are entitled to the compensation for unused sick leave set forth in Arkansas Code title 21, chapter 4, subchapter 5. I do not believe any state-supported, two-year institution has any discretion to deny this compensation to classified employees, nor do I believe that the applicable subchapter authorizes an institution to offer this compensation to non-classified employees.

Opinion No.: 2005-216

Clark, David B.

Executive Director, AR Fire & Police Pension Review

RE: Is a local pension fund permitted to allow their members to waive the six percent (6%) actuarial assumed rate for an interest award for members that participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP)? RESPONSE: No. The statute, A.C.A. 24-11-434(e)(2)(A), is unambiguous in providing that participants in DROP "shall earn interest" at a rate "no less than the actuarial assumed rate." The word "shall" indicates mandatory compliance. Consequently, there is no discretion in the local pension and relief board to include a DROP provision that requires a waiver of the statutorily specified interest rate. Compare A.C.A. 24-11-434.

Opinion No.: 2005-218

Higginbothom, Steve State Senator

RE: Since all land values are fixed for assessment purposes in January and tax bills are due in October, when would new property valuations be established pursuant to Act 1432 of 2005? RESPONSE: In my opinion, because Act 1432 of 2005 became effective on August 12, 2005, the new property valuations under the act will be established in the first assessment subsequent to the act's effective date, or the assessment period beginning in January 2006 and payable the subsequent October.

Opinion No.: 2005-221

James, T. Kenneth, Ed.D Commissioner of Education, AR DOE

RE: Can Act 2113 of 2005 be retroactively applied to persons called into active duty during the time period after September 11, 2001 and before August 12, 2005, which is the effective date of the legislation? RE-SPONSE: Yes. In my opinion, although the legisla-

tion does not expressly declare that it will apply retroactively, this conclusion is clearly implied by the legislature's declaring that the act will apply to those called into active service after September 11, 2001.

Opinion No.: 2005-222

Davis, Otis L. State Representative

RE: Is it permissible for two Arkansas cities to consolidate if they are located in different counties? RESPONSE: No. The General Assembly has delineated the authority of municipalities to consolidate only with other municipalities in the same county. This grant of authority does not extend beyond the specific language used in A.C.A. 14-40-1201 which allows municipalities in the same county to consolidate.

Opinion No.: 2005-226

Elkins, Doug; Ruthven, N
Directors, OIT & Dept of Emergency Management

RE: Is the information held within the State's disaster recovery planning system database protected from public disclosure under Act 1366 of 2003 (the "Homeland Security Information Act"), or any other act, law or regulation? RESPONSE: The answer will obviously require a factual review of the information contained in the database. I have set out a discussion of Act 1366, which may be of help in addressing the points raised.

Opinion No.: 2005-227

Daniels, Charlie Secretary of State

RE: Request, pursuant to ACA 7-9-110(a)(1), to fix and declare the popular name for HJR 1003, a consti-

tutional amendment proposed pursuant to Ark. Const. article 19, section 22, concerning bingo and raffles conducted by charitable organizations. ANSWER: The popular name is fixed as declared as follows: "A constitutional amendment providing that bingo and raffles, if conducted by authorized organizations (defined as nonprofit religious, educational, veterans, fraternal, service, civic, medical, volunteer rescue, volunteer fire, and volunteer police organizations) shall not be constitutionally prohibited as a lottery, provided the organization has been in existence five years and net receipts are used only for charitable, religious, or philanthropic purposes."

Opinion No.: 2005-238

Green, Rick State Representative

RE: Does ACA 25-19-105, or any other applicable state or federal law, prevent disclosure of documents submitted to the Arkansas Department of Health Division of Emergency Medical Service for paramedic ambulance service licensure under the FOIA competitive advantage exemption? ANSWER: This requires a factual determination regarding the extent to which disclosure would in fact result in competitive harm to the person who supplied the information. The burden is on the one seeking exemption to establish a likelihood of substantial competitive injury.

Opinion No.: 2005-240

Vasser, A. Glenn Attorney at Law, McKenzie Law Firm

RE: Request for approval of an interlocal agreement between the City of Prescott and the Prescott School District to hire a resource officer for the present school year. RESPONSE: The document submitted is a straight-forward contract, as distinct from an interlocal agreement, and hence does not require my approval. See A.C.A. 25-20-108(a).

Opinion No.: 2005-247

James, T. Kenneth, Ed.D. Commissioner, Dept of Education

RE: May a school district with a deficit operating fund balance in one school year refinance an installment contract obligation for the sole purpose of extending the life of the currently existing installment contract obligations to a future school year maturity date? Q2) May a school district with a deficit operating fund balance in this school year incur additional current indebtedness to mature on December 31, 2006, of the next school year for the purpose of retiring existing current indebtedness that is due to mature in this school year? Q3) May a school district pledge school district property to incur non-bonded current indebtedness financing? Q4) Is a school district operating with (or without) a deficit fund balance eligible to incur a revolving loan pursuant to A.C.A. 6-20-810 et seq. in order to refinance an installment contract or retire current indebtedness obligations of the school district? Q5) May a school district operating with a deficit fund balance sell unused school property for the purpose of retiring existing installment contract obligations and/or current indebtedness obligations of the district? Q6) May a school district refinance an installment contract, lease purchase, postdated warrant or short-term lease agreement for a time period of a maturity date eight (8) years beyond the current maturity date on the existing debt instrument to be refinanced, and Q7) May a school district essentially convert a current indebtedness obligation allowed under A.C.A. 6-20-402 into a multi-year debt obligation instrument by simply borrowing enough money on a multi-year debt obligation to pay off or retire the current year debt obligation? RESPONSE: 1) It depends upon the facts; 2) No; 3) No; 4) Although it may be a legal possibility, it is within the discretion of the State Board or the Commissioner; 5) No; 6) No; and 7) No.

Opinion No.: 2005-260

Adams, Mike State Registrar & Director, Vital Statistics

RE: Is the decision of the custodian of records to release the name, job title and salary of the requester in response to a request for this information under the Freedom of Information Act consistent with provisions of the FOIA? RESPONSE: Yes.

Opinion No.: 2005-266

Clemons, Booker T. State Representative

RE: Pursuant to civil service laws, does a police or fire department probationer have a right to appeal after discharge, i.e., before the probationary period is complete? RESPONSE: No. The right of appeal is only available to those who have completed the probation period. See A.C.A. 14-51-301(b)(7). This is also true in the case of promotion. See also 14-51-308 and civil service commission rules and regulations.

Opinion No.: 2005-267

Thomas, Stuart Chief of Police, LR Police Department

RE: Is the decision of the custodian of records to withhold release of documents contained in an ongoing Internal Affairs investigative file consistent with provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)? RESPONSE: If the records are properly classified as "employee evaluation or job performance records" and if no decision has been made to suspend or terminate the employees involved, then the decision is consis-

tent with the FOIA. If not properly classified as such, the decision may be inconsistent with the FOIA. See also, Opinions 2004-178 and 2003-306.

Opinion No.: 2005-268

LaForce, Belinda *Mayor*

RE: In response to an oral request for the personnel files of five (5) Searcy police officers, the City of Searcy has forwarded copies of the files to this office and posed four questions regarding the records as follows: 1) whether the request poses an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy because the request makes no showing of a valid public interest in disclosure; 2) whether the file maintained by the City as a "police file" is subject to release as a "personnel file;" 3) has the City fairly and accurately redacted the appropriate information from the personnel files; and 4) has the City property redacted the appropriate information from the police files? RESPONSE: My statutory duty is to determine whether the custodian's decision is consistent with the FOIA. The request does not state what that decision is. I am not authorized or required to answer questions posed by the custodian or to advise the custodian on his or her decision. To the extent necessary to set forth the applicable tests and principles under the FOIA however, I can state that: 1) The requester is not required to make a "showing" of a public interest. It is, rather, the custodian's burden to prove an exemption. 2) The fact that a record is not maintained in a "personnel file" does not preclude a conclusion that it is a "personnel record." 3) & 4) Personnel records are typically open to inspection and copying with appropriate redactions. The redactions made are in large measure consistent with the FOIA, but I have noted some deviations in both the personnel and police files. In addition, the redactions should comply with ACA 25-19-105(f)(3) ("the amount of information redacted shall be indicated on the released portion of the record and if technically feasible, at the place in the record where the deletion was made.")

Opinion No.: 2005-272

Fendley, Clay Attorney at Law

RE: Is the decision of the records custodian to release the attached packet of documents in response to a Freedom of Information Act request for records relating to the suspension of Mr. Fendley's client consistent with provisions of the FOIA even though his client believes the disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of his personal privacy? RE-SPONSE: The custodian has correctly decided to release those documents that have been designated for release, with the possible exception of home address information of the school employee(s) involved. But the decision to withhold the documents that have been marked "Confidential" may be inconsistent with the FOIA. The answer may turn on whether these documents constitute personnel records or employee evaluation/job performance records. See opinion for discussion.

Opinion No.: 2005-273

Altes, Denny State Senator

RE: Does the proposed Referred Question No. 1, known as the Arkansas Interstate Highway Financing Act of 2005, which would authorize the Arkansas Highway Commission to perpetually issue bonds without a popular vote, conflict with Arkansas Constitutional Amendment 20? RESPONSE: I must decline to issue an opinion on this matter at this time in light of this office's policy not to issue opinions on matters scheduled to come before the voters.

Opinion No.: 2005-276

Merritt, Alana

RE: Is the custodian of records for the Morning Star Volunteer Fire Department in violation of provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) since he has

failed to respond to verbal and written requests for copies of a former employee's personnel file, any disciplinary action(s) taken against the employee, and any documents related to the employee's termination? RESPONSE: Yes. I believe the custodian is obliged to produce the requested records pursuant to ACA 25-19-105(c)(2).

Opinion No.: 2005-279

Falk, Stan, Ph.D.
Assistant Director., DHHS Public Health

RE: Is the decision of the custodian of records to release copies of all information and/or documents generated in response to an internal investigation re-

garding the Public Health Laboratory, after first redacting all documents or items that are specifically exempt, including social security numbers, home address, records of performance and medical records, consistent with provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)? RESPONSE: Having not reviewed the actual records in question, I cannot come to a conclusive determination. As a general matter, personnel records are exempt with appropriate redactions. As for the custodian's decision to withhold "records of performance" the legality of this decision depends upon whether the test for the release of "employee evaluation or job performance records" has been met. See opinion for full analysis.



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