



PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION

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On March 13, 2024, Governor Brian Kemp signed Senate Bill 332 into law, which removed from OCGA 15-18-32 the requirement that the Prosecuting Attorneys Qualifications Commission's standards of conduct and rules "be effective only upon review and adoption by the Supreme Court." OCGA 15-18-32 also requires that the code of conduct and rules "comport with due process," which means that any conduct occurring before the adoption of the rules and code shall not be subject to the discipline of the Commission. The Commission has now voted to adopt a Code of Conduct and Rules which are hereby effective on April 1, 2024. A copy of the Code and Rules has been provided to all of the District Attorneys and Solicitors General in the State of Georgia.

Upon the Supreme Court's determination last year to not review the Code and Rules, the Commission halted its work in hiring a Director so that taxpayer funds would not be wasted. However, with the passage and signing into law of Senate Bill 332, the Commission again seeks applications for the Director position.

Once a Director is hired, the formal complaint process and form will be created. In the interim, the Commission has created an email address for the public to submit any complaints. This email address is gapaqc@gmail.com.

We have included a copy of the Code, the Rules, and the Request for Applications for the Director Position to this letter.

Sincerely,

The Prosecuting Attorneys Qualifications Commission of Georgia

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