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Subject: Proposed Rule: Legal Expense Fund Regulation (RIN 3209-AA50)
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I'm writing because I oppose OGE's proposed legal expense fund regulation as drafted. There is so much corruption in the US government, we need more tools to fight it, not less. OGE should:

- remove the exception that makes compliance with the regulation optional (OPTIONAL?!?!?!? Are you kidding me?!?!?);
- replace the proposed recusal requirement with a broader 5-year recusal requirement that prevents donors of cash gifts from influencing decisions, policies, or regulations affecting them or the industries in which they have substantial interests (this is at the heart of the corruption green-lighted in "Citizens United");
- remove the offensive example involving an accused sexual harasser; and
- place nonprofit charities (501(c)(3) organizations) on an equal footing with large law firms by allowing them to hire legal counsel for whistleblowers.

Sincerely,
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