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THIRD QUARTER 2024 REPORT

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The following is a report of the Office of Congressional Ethics' ("OCE's") work in the third quarter of 2024 for the 118th Congress.

The OCE is an independent, non-partisan entity charged with reviewing allegations of misconduct involving Members, officers and staff of the House and, when appropriate, referring matters to the House Committee on Ethics. Additional information about the OCE's process is available on its website: <u>http://oce.house.gov</u>.

Key Takeaways

- This quarter, following its release by the Committee on Ethics, the OCE published its report for a matter involving Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick.
- This quarter, the OCE transmitted four matters to the Committee on Ethics, two with recommendations for further review and two with recommendations for dismissal.
- In the second and third quarters of 2024, the OCE updated its website to allow for streamlined access to important informational documents, such as its governing rules and processes.

Scheduled Releases

The House Committee on Ethics will release the OCE's referral regarding Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick at the expiration of the 118th Congress should the Investigative Subcommittee not conclude its review before then.

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Board Actions

The following is a statistical summary of the Board's actions in the 118th Congress including the second quarter of 2024 (highlighted in blue).

Date	Reviews				Transmittals		
	Commence Preliminary Review	Termination	Phase II Review	Phase II Review Extension	Further Review	Dismissal	Unresolved ¹
January 19	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
February 16	2	1	1	2	0	0	0
March 15	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
April 19	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
May 15	2	1	1	0	1	0	0
June 20	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
July	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August 23	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
September	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total for Third Quarter of 2024	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
Total from 2024	8	3	5	3	5	2	0
Total from 2023	15	5	8	6	4	4	0
118th Congress	23	8	13	9	9	6	0

¹ In cases where the Board cannot resolve the matter due to a tie vote, the Board will transmit the referral to the Committee with a statement that the matter is unresolved.

Citizen Communications

Any member of the public may bring a matter of suspected misconduct involving a Member, officer or staff of the House to the attention of the OCE. The OCE has received approximately 5,659 communications from private citizens during the third quarter of 2024. These communications include requests for information about the OCE and its procedures, as well as submissions of information regarding allegations of misconduct.