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## Conflicts of Interest

Conflicts-of-interest, pdf **laws are grounded on the notion that government officials owe paramount loyalty to the public.** Thus, personal and private financial considerations on the part of governmental officials should not be allowed to enter the decision-making process

The Conflicts of Interest guide summarizes and discusses the numerous conflicts-of-interest laws in California. The purpose of this guide is to assist government officials in complying with California's conflicts-of-interest laws and to assist the public and the news media in understanding these laws. By providing information about the requirements of these laws, the ways in which they have been interpreted and the ways in which they can be enforced, government officials should be able to avoid conflicts-of-interest situations and members of the public will be better able to determine whether a conflict exists.

