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Governor Newsom appoints Miadich new FPPC Chairperson

On April 30, 2019, the Governor appointed Richard C. Miadich, 43, of Sacramento as Chairperson of the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), California's governmental ethics and campaign disclosure agency.

Prior to his appointment, Miadich was an attorney at Olson Hagel & Fishburn, LLP since 2005. At Olson Hagel, Miadich's practice focused on litigation matters involving election and campaign finance law, education law, government law, administrative law, and constitutional law. Among other things, Miadich successfully litigated a case before the United States Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit which struck down several Illinois ballot access laws that unlawfully discriminated against independent candidates. In addition to his litigation work, Miadich spent significant time assisting clients in drafting state and local ballot measures. He was elevated to partner in the firm in 2011 and later elected managing partner in 2016.

"It is a tremendous honor to be appointed Chair of the FPPC. The FPPC serves a vital role in ensuring the integrity of state and local government processes and protecting the public trust. I thank the Governor for the opportunity to lead the agency as we continue to innovate and improve the ways we promote integrity, transparency and trust in California government."

Miadich was admitted to the Bar in 2003 and previously served as an Executive Committee Member of the California State Bar's Public Law Section and assistant editor of the State Bar's Public Law Journal. He has also served as an At-Large Director on the Sacramento County Bar Association Board of Directors and as President of the Sacramento County Bar Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that serves as the charitable arm of the Sacramento County Bar Association.

Miadich received his Bachelor's degrees in Political Science and History from the University of California, Los Angeles and his Juris Doctorate from the University of California, Davis School of Law. Miadich is a member of the California State Bar.

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