

**City of Atlanta Board of Ethics
2007 Highlights by the Numbers**

- Held ten board meetings, three committee meetings, and two board retreats
- Adopted three formal advisory opinions
- Issued seven informal advisory letters, wrote 83 advisory emails, responded to 66 telephone or walk-in inquiries for advice, and answered 65 requests for general information about ethics
- Closed 19 ethics cases
 - One enforcement hearing held: Board found an ethics violation on two counts and imposed the maximum \$1,000 fine on each count
 - Four settlement agreements approved by Board
 - Seven complaints dismissed by Board for lack of probable cause
 - Five complaints administratively dismissed for insufficient evidence
 - Two cases referred to departments for investigation
- Wrote seven probable cause reports and eighteen investigative reports
- Provided training on conflicts of interest to 730 new employees and ethics presentations to 250 city employees in Finance, Law, Planning, and Watershed
- Mailed ethical guidelines to 161 new board members and NPU officers
- Published four issues of the enewsletter, *Ethics Matters*, with 1,500 subscribers
- Expanded Board of Ethics' website to more than 125 web and resources pages
- Closed 210 Integrity Line cases; received 249 hotline calls, referred 107 reports to departments for investigation and a report back; and referred 111 calls to departments with no report back
- Provided two new posters in the Integrity Matters campaign
- Achieved timely filing by 88 percent and electronic filing by 95 percent of the 1,478 persons required to file the 2007 City Financial Disclosure Statement
- Named five offices and eight boards to the 2007 Honor Roll for financial disclosure and eight offices to the Roll of Merit
- Held two e-filing days in the Atrium, helped 140 persons file electronically, and responded to 623 other requests for assistance with filing
- Closed 31 financial disclosure cases involving delinquent filers
 - Six persons fined by Board and received public reprimand after a hearing
 - Thirteen persons paid a fine for filing late
 - Ten persons granted a waiver of fines due to good cause
 - One board member resigned from board
 - One person granted appeal and removed from delinquent filers roll
- Collected \$1,262.50 in fines from settlement agreements in ethics cases and \$1,450 in fines from late filers in financial disclosure cases
- Received 14 Gift to the City Reports, 11 Expense Reimbursement Reports, and eight Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest in the Electronic Filing System
- Co-authored one annual report on Integrity Line calls and wrote one financial disclosure report