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Oklahoma Political Action Committee

24 June 2025

Governor Kevin Stitt
Oklahoma State Capitol
2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Suite 212
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Dear Governor Stitt,

For the past three years, the cockfighters who lead the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission (OGC) have attempted to align their favored form of animal abuse with much more mainstream and accepted Oklahoma traditions, such as cattle raising, hunting, and rodeo. They even convinced you to appear in a video to address the cockfighters they drew to an OGC gathering at a meeting place in McAlester.

We alerted you and other political leaders in the state that the leaders of this organization were engaged in a conspiracy to violate Oklahoma's anti-cruelty laws. We decoded their thinly veiled messaging right from their first step onto the public stage three years ago and we fought off all of their pro-cockfighting bills that they worked to introduce with lawmakers who took political donations from their organization. We've investigated their on-line discussions, their illegal sales of cockfighting implements, the arrest of one of their district directors for illegal cockfighting, and their collection of money from illicit activities so they could funnel that money into political campaigns. They donated money to your campaign and to dozens of Oklahomans seeking to win elections.

All the while, on the public stage, they denied that they were engaging in any criminal activities, including cockfighting.

Our undercover investigations have put to rest any doubt that anyone could have about the illicit activities of the leaders of the Oklahoma Gamefowl Commission. The two top officials of the OGC—Anthony Devore and Blake Pearce, who proudly touted their pictures with you at the celebration of your re-election as governor and celebrated the video you appeared in to celebrate their political activities -- were recently caught on video attending illegal cockfighting events in McIntosh County.

Mr. Devore entered his birds into fights at the six-cock derby, while Mr. Pearce was at the event the prior week in the first row, violating state and federal law that forbids attendance at cockfighting derbies.

It should be no surprise that these people, who deceived you and others and who have repeatedly demonstrated contempt for the rule of law, have been violating the state's campaign finances rules since the inception of the OGC PAC.

According to a complaint I submitted to the Oklahoma Ethics Commission, the PAC accepted illegal donations from nonprofit corporations and out-of-state entities, exceeded contribution limits, and consistently failed to disclose donor information as required. These were not isolated incidents—they spanned multiple filings and reflect a deliberate strategy of deception.

Governor, this is not just about ethics violations. This is about a criminal organization using the appearance of civic engagement to mask and enable felony conduct. It's the equivalent of drug pushers taking proceeds from narcotics sales and dumping it into the political system and then claiming that they want to liberalize drug possession and sales.

I respectfully urge you to direct the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation to open a full investigation into their illegal cockfighting activities and to work with prosecutors to see that they are charged under the state law that they've been working to gut. I also urge you to direct OSBI to investigate OGC's activities, including its leadership, financial operations, and political influence campaigns.

Oklahomans will benefit from understanding how they used illicit tactics to raise dollars for political activities, how they misrepresented their purposes, and then tried to rope you and other political leaders into supporting efforts to decriminalize their felonious activities. These individuals have compromised the integrity of Oklahoma's political system and the rule of law and they should be held to account.

Sincerely,
Kevin Chambers

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Kevin Chambers". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

Kevin Chambers
Oklahoma State Director