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## **Whistleblower Policy**

If any employee, contractor, consultant, volunteer or intern reasonably believes that some policy, practice, or activity of The Arts Alliance is in violation of law, a written complaint must be filed by that employee with the President or Board Chair. It is the intent of The Arts Alliance to adhere to all laws and regulations that apply to the organization and the underlying purpose of this policy is to support the organization's goal of legal compliance. The support of any employee, contractor, consultant, volunteer or intern reasonably is necessary to achieving compliance with various laws and regulations. An employee is protected from retaliation only if the employee, contractor, consultant, volunteer or intern reasonably brings the alleged unlawful activity, policy, or practice to the attention of The Arts Alliance and provides The Arts Alliance with a reasonable opportunity to investigate and correct the alleged unlawful activity. The protection described below is only available to employees that comply with this requirement.

The Arts Alliance will not retaliate against any employee, contractor, consultant, volunteer or intern reasonably who in good faith, has made a protest or raised a complaint against some practice of The Arts Alliance, or of another individual or entity with whom The Arts Alliance has a business relationship, on the basis of a reasonable belief that the practice is in violation of law, or a clear mandate of public policy.

The Arts Alliance will not retaliate against any contractors, consultants, volunteers or interns who disclose or threaten to disclose to a supervisor or a public body, any activity, policy, or practice of The Arts Alliance that the employee reasonably believes is in violation of a law, or a rule, or regulation mandated pursuant to law or is in violation of a clear mandate of public policy concerning the health, safety, welfare, or protection of the environment.