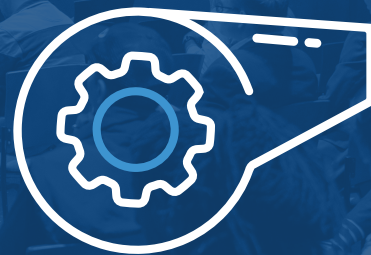


WORKING WITH WHISTLEBLOWERS

WORKSHOP



Effective handling of whistleblower interactions is essential for enhancing congressional oversight and supporting constituents. To support this, the **Office of the Whistleblower Ombuds** — an independent and nonpartisan support office within the House of Representatives — has developed a customizable, two-part congressional training program¹:



PART 1: TRAINING

Our foundational *Best Practices for Working with Whistleblowers* training covers how to:

- **Manage** relationships with whistleblowers
- **Establish** an effective case management system
- **Protect** whistleblower information
- **Navigate** the legal landscape



PART 2: ROLE-PLAY EXERCISE

The second portion of the workshop provides **hands-on experience** for staff to practice working with fictional whistleblowers and to put their new skills to the test in a **risk-free environment**.

This workshop aims to equip offices with what they need to handle these important interactions confidently and effectively. As one participant shared: ***"This was one of the best, most detailed casework presentations I have ever participated in ... I typically dislike role playing, but the way you prepared it made it work well ...This training was well worth the time!"***

The workshop is available to House Member offices, committees, and delegations as a collaborative, customizable experience. It is great for retreats or other team-based professional development initiatives. Please **contact the Office** to learn more.

¹We recommend a 2.5-hour workshop, with a designated lunch or other break between part one and part two of the program. However, the timing can be adjusted to accommodate the needs of participating offices.

