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The U.S. Office of Government Ethics has quietly reversed its own internal policy prohibiting anonymous donations from lobbyists to White House staffers who have legal defense funds.

The little-noticed change could help President Donald Trump's aides raise the money they need to pay attorneys as the Russia probe expands - but raises the potential for hidden conflicts of interest or other ethics trouble.

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