

In 2016, after Roy quit his job as the top aide to Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, Roy cut a SECRET deal to keep receiving his taxpayer-funded \$16,000-a-month paycheck and healthcare, which he hid from Texans until his scam was exposed by a newspaper.

News Outlets Reported That Roy Was Paid His Full Salary From The Attorney General's Office – More Than \$16,000 – On April 1, Despite The Fact That He Had Resigned From His Post On March 9. “The state is paying thousands of dollars in salaries and benefits to at least two former high-level staffers in Attorney General Ken Paxton's office who haven't worked there for over a month. The Dallas Morning News reports Charles ‘Chip’ Roy resigned as first assistant attorney general March 9 but remains on the state's payroll. He received his full month's salary of \$16,220.62 on April 1, according to the state comptroller, and remains on the payroll as an employee of the state even while working a new job for a national political committee. Roy declined to comment about the payment arrangement, which the agency confirmed Wednesday after The Dallas Morning News raised questions. Despite its earlier public statement that Roy resigned, an agency spokeswoman said Thursday that he's also on ‘emergency leave.’ ‘Roy resigned on March 9. He is currently on emergency leave through June 10,’ spokeswoman Cynthia Meyer said late Thursday. If Roy's arrangement continues until then, he will make \$48,660 for the three months of emergency leave.” [Dallas Morning News, [4/14/16](#)]

Paxton's Spokeswoman Said That Roy Was Allowed To Take “Emergency Leave” Even After Resigning. “Paxton spokeswoman Cynthia Meyer said Roy's case was allowed under another section of state law allowing emergency leave to be approved by an agency head if the worker ‘has shown good cause for taking emergency leave’ for a reason other than family death. [...] Agency officials said Paxton would have had to have approved the deal, which first was reported by the Dallas Morning News. Meyer said Roy's termination date was changed Friday to be effective April 7. State records show he was paid a full month's salary of \$16,220 on April 1.” [Houston Chronicle, [4/15/16](#)]

The Comptroller's Office Did Not Know That Roy Had Resigned When They Cut The Payroll Check. “Roy's resignation was sudden. At the time, Paxton made no mention of any emergency and hired Roy's replacement the same day. The next day, Roy took a job as executive director of a super PAC supporting Sen. Ted Cruz's presidential campaign. The comptroller's office, which cuts checks for state employees, was unaware Roy and others who had resigned from the attorney general's office were still being paid until The News contacted them.” [Dallas Morning News, [4/14/16](#)]

