

Ethics Commission Special Meeting Agenda

210 Brooks Street, 3rd Floor Conference Room Charleston, WV 25301

January 21, 2014 2:30 p.m.

- 1. Introductory remarks (Chairperson Morton/Ms. Parker)
- 2. Approve Minutes of November 7, 2013 Meeting (Chairperson Morton) Public Comment
- Next meeting dates:
 February 6, 2014 or at a date and time to be determined by the Commission
- 4. Advisory Opinion Requests

AO 2013-51 (Ms. Weber) A County Assessor asks if:

- 1. A full-time Commercial Supervisor at a County Assessor's Office may lease residential property to citizens of the County in which he works;
- 2. A full-time Commercial Supervisor at a County Assessor's Office may purchase, sell, or lease commercial property to citizens of the County in which he works;
- 3. A full-time Supervisor of a County Assessor's Office may participate and/or purchase property during public auctions from the County in which he works; and

4. Any full-time employee at an Assessor's Office may engage in the real estate business within the same county as the Assessor's Office. (Real estate business meaning regularly leasing, purchasing, and/or selling properties as a source of regular income.)

Public Comment

AO 2013-54 (Ms. Parker)

A **State Agency** asks if its staff attorneys may serve as Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys.

Public Comment

AO 2013-56 (Ms. Parker)

A **Sheriff** asks whether he may use Concealed Weapons Funds to pay for flight lessons and airplane rental for such lessons to acquire his pilot's license.

Public Comment

AO 2013-57 (Ms. Parker)

A **County Commission** asks whether it is permissible to exempt certain emergency services employees from reporting mileage for personal vehicle use as a taxable fringe benefit.

Public Comment

AO 2013-58 (Ms. Weber)

A **Member of a Regional Drug Court Team and its Advisory Board** asks whether a Regional Drug Court may contract with a County Commissioner, who also works as a dentist, to provide dental work for a participant of the Drug Court.

Public Comment

AO 2013-59 (Mr. Visnic)

A **President of a State Licensing Board** asks if a member of that Board may accept a paid position with a private entity and remain on the Board.

Public Comment

AO 2013-60 (Mr. Visnic)

A **Member of a State Licensing Board** asks if she may accept a paid position with a private entity and remain on the Board.

Requester's Comments Public Comment

5. Employment Exemption Requests (Ms. Parker)

EE 2013-24 Dale Gable, WV Division of Environmental Protection

EE 2013-25 Marlan Zwoll, WV Division of Environmental Protection

Public Comment

6. Miscellaneous Matters (Ms. Parker)(a) P-Card Monthly Report (enclosure)

Public Comment

(b) Consider hiring Rebecca Stepto as Contract Attorney

Public Comment

(c) Consider proposing legislation relating to the composition of the West Virginia Ethics Commission

Public Comment

7. Adjourn