

West Virginia Ethics Commission Meeting Agenda

210 Brooks Street, Third Floor Conference Room Charleston, West Virginia 25301

August 6, 2015 10:00 a.m.

- 1. Approve **Minutes** of June 4, 2015, Meeting
- 2. Meeting Dates for 2015

September 3 November 5 October 1 December 3

- **3.** Recap of Previous Month (Ms. Stepto)
- 4. Advisory Opinion Requests

AO 2015-10 (Ms. Weber)

A **city code enforcement officer** asks whether the Ethics Act prohibits him from acquiring commercial property in the City in which he enforces building and fire codes.

AO 2015-11 (Ms. Johnstone)

An **elected state official** requests an opinion regarding a new provision of the Ethics Act which places limitations on a public official from using his or her name or likeness on "trinkets." The Requester seeks guidance concerning the use of his/her picture or likeness on his/her agency's website and on educational materials distributed to the public, and asks whether his/her agency may continue to use materials containing his/her picture or name which were purchased before the May 28, 2015, effective date of W.Va. Code § 6B-2-5c. The Requester also asks whether participation in videotaped interviews, presentations, panels and interviews is permissible.

5. Employment Exemption Requests (Ms. Stepto)

<u>EE 2015-07</u> Sara M. Cline, Commissioner, West Virginia Division of Financial Institutions

<u>EE 2015-08</u> Robert C. Fernatt, Information Systems Manager, WorkForce West Virginia

<u>**EE 2015-09**</u> Jeffrey W. McLaughlin, Technical Analyst, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Oil and Gas

- 6. Miscellaneous
 - (a) Review of P-Card Monthly Reports
 - (b) Consider revising Public Employee Recognition Events Guidelines
- 7. Adjourn