



Ethics Commission Meeting Agenda

210 Brooks Street, Suite 300
Charleston, WV 25301

December 12, 2013
10:00 a.m.

1. Approve Minutes of **November 7, 2013 Meeting (Chairperson Morton)**

2. Next meeting dates:
February 6, 2014 or at a date and time to be determined by the
Commission
(January, 2014 meeting canceled)

3. Recap of Previous Month **(Ms. Parker)**

4. Brief review of Ethics and Open Meetings Act **(Ms. Parker)**

5. 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.)

AO 2013-54 (Ms. Parker)

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

6. Contract Exemption Requests

None

7. School Board Advisory Opinion Requests

NONE

8. Property Exemption Requests
NONE

9. Employment Exemption Requests (**Ms. Parker**)

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

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

10. Miscellaneous Matters (**Ms. Parker**)

(a) P-Card Monthly Report (enclosure)

(b) Consider hiring Rebecca Stepto as Contract Attorney

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

11. Motion to Adjourn