Ethics Commission Meeting Agenda

210 Brooks Street, Suite 300
Charleston, WV 25301

August 1, 2013
10:00 a.m.

1. Approve Minutes of July 11, 2013 Meeting (Vice Chairperson Turak)

2. Next meeting date October 3, 2013 or at a date and time to be determined by the Commission

3. Recap of Previous Month (Ms. Parker)

4. Advisory Opinion Requests

AO 2013-29 (Ms. Parker) Tabled at the July 11, 2013 Commission Meeting

A County Surveyor who owns: a private surveying company and land, and whose father owns land and mineral rights, poses three questions:

1. Is there a conflict between being the County Surveyor and being employed part-time by the County Commission as the County Floodplain Manager/Administrator?

2. Is there a conflict for the County Floodplain Manager/Administrator to perform private land surveys which designate whether an area is in a floodplain?

3. Is it a conflict for the County Floodplain Manager/Administrator to perform my Floodplain Manager duties when natural gas companies submit applications to work in the designated floodplain?
AO 2013-30 (Mr. Hubbard) Tabled at the July 11, 2013 Commission Meeting
A Commissioner of a State Agency asks if he may retain partial ownership of a race horse that may compete in the State.

AO 2013-34 (Mr. Hubbard) Tabled at the July 11, 2013 Commission Meeting
A Sheriff’s Tax Deputy asks if he may provide security services to residents and law enforcement throughout the State through a limited liability company.

AO 2013-35 (Mr. Hubbard)
A Housing Authority asks if it may continue to employ a part-time Section 8 Inspector who was recently elected Mayor of a Town within its service area.

AO 2013-36 (Ms. Weber)
A County Assessor asks whether his office may purchase office supplies from a company owned by his employee’s fiancé.

AO 2013-37 (Ms. Akers)
A County Commission asks if an appointed member of the County Sheriff Deputy Civil Service Commission may also be an employee of the County Sheriff’s Department, and if not, whether the employee may remain on the Deputy Civil Service Commission if s/he resigns from the County Sheriff’s Department.

AO 2013-38 (Mr. Hubbard)
A County Council asks if it may use public funds for a meal during a dedication ceremony for its Public Safety Building.

AO 2013-39 (Ms. Parker)
A Former State Employee asks whether she must wait one year before registering as a lobbyist.

AO 2013-40 (Ms. Weber)
An Appointed Member of a Statewide Task Force asks whether the Ethics Act permits him to solicit financial support for the Task Force from the business community and foundations.
5. Contract Exemption Requests

**CE 2013-04 (Ms. Parker)**
The *West Virginia Conservation Agency* seeks an exemption to allow Elected Members of Conservation Districts to participate in cost-share programs the Districts offer.

**CE 2013-05 (Ms. Parker)**
The *Town of Monongah* asks for an exemption to allow the Town to continue employing its Mayor to operate and supervise the Town’s Water Plant.

6. School Board Advisory Opinion Requests
   NONE

7. Property Exemption Requests
   NONE

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

   **EE 2013-16 Maryclarie Akers, WV Ethics Commission**
   **EE 2013-17 Amy Swann, WV Public Service Commission**

9. Miscellaneous Matters *(Ms. Parker)*

   *(a)* P-Card Monthly Report

10. Motion to Adjourn