



West Virginia Ethics Commission Meeting Agenda

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

**December 1, 2016
10:00 a.m.**

1. Approve **Minutes** of November 3, 2016, Meeting

2. Meeting Dates for 2017

January 5	February 2	March 2	April 6
May 4	June 1	July 6	August 3
September 7	October 5	November 2	December 7

3. Recap of Previous Month (Ms. Stepto)

4. Respond to Employment Exemption Requests

EE 2016-39

Harry O. Yates, Jr., Attorney II/Disclosure Officer, West Virginia Tax Department

EE 2016-40

E. Ashley Summitt, General Counsel, West Virginia Secretary of State's Office

EE 2016-41

Loarie H. Butcher, Deputy Commissioner, West Virginia Division of Tourism

EE 2016-42

Sheryl Webb, Deputy Secretary, West Virginia Secretary of State's Office

EE 2016-43

Chris Ferro, Chief of Staff, West Virginia Department of Agriculture

EE 2016-44

Natalie E. Tennant, Secretary of State, West Virginia Secretary of State's Office

5. Respond to Advisory Opinion Requests

AO 2016-17 (Ms. Weber)

A **Presiding Officer of a house of the Legislature** asks whether the Ethics Act prohibits (1) his employment as an attorney by a law firm that employs registered lobbyists provided he does not personally participate in lobbying activities on behalf of the law firm, and (2) him from representing, as part of such employment, private entities before state agencies, boards and commissions, and regional, county and municipal agencies that are established or funded by the state.

AO 2016-18 (Ms. Kirk)

A **Prosecutor-elect** asks whether, once he becomes Prosecutor, he may consider his immediate predecessor for a contract position funded by a grant which his immediate predecessor assisted the county and a local nonprofit organization in obtaining.

6. Miscellaneous

- (a) Review and approve revised guidelines
- (b) Approve P card report
- (c) Make criminal referrals to a county prosecuting attorney pursuant to W.Va. Code 6B-2-4 (w)(1)
- (d) Reports from Personnel and Open Meetings Committees

7. Adjourn