



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