

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

COUNTY FUNDS, AND INCLUDING PERSONS APPOINTED TO SERVE ON BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS ESTABLISHED BY LAW. THE CODE OF ETHICS SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND FOR THE DISQUALIFICATION OF ANY PERSON PARTICIPATING IN THE DECISION PROCESS, IF THERE IS A CONFLICT BETWEEN HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES AND HIS PRIVATE INTERESTS. THE CODE OF ETHICS SHALL ALSO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE-MEMBER BOARD TO ADMINISTER THE CODE. MEMBERS OF SUCH BOARD, TO BE KNOWN AS THE BOARD OF ETHICS, SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CONFIRMED BY THE COUNCIL FOR A TERM ENDING WITH THAT OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. NOT MORE THAN TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY.

SECTION 1002. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. NO OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY, WHETHER ELECTED OR APPOINTED, SHALL IN ANY MANNER WHATSOEVER BE INTERESTED IN OR RECEIVE ANY BENEFIT FROM, THE PROFITS OR EMOLUMENTS OF ANY CONTRACT, JOB, WORK, OR SERVICE FOR THE COUNTY. NO SUCH OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE SHALL ACCEPT ANY SERVICE OR THING OF VALUE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, UPON MORE FAVORABLE TERMS THAN THOSE GRANTED TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY, FROM ANY PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION HAVING DEALINGS WITH THE COUNTY; NOR SHALL HE RECEIVE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ANY PART OF ANY FEE, COMMISSION, OR OTHER COMPENSATION PAID OR PAYABLE BY THE COUNTY, OR BY ANY PERSON IN CONNECTION WITH ANY DEALINGS WITH THE COUNTY, OR BY ANY PERSON IN CONNECTION WITH ANY DEALINGS OR PROCEEDINGS BEFORE ANY AGENCY OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT. NO SUCH OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE SHALL DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BE THE BROKER OR AGENT WHO PROCURES OR RECEIVES ANY COMPENSATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROCUREMENT OF ANY TYPE OF BONDS FOR COUNTY OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, PERSONS, OR FIRMS DOING BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY. NO SUCH OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE SHALL SOLICIT OR ACCEPT ANY COMPENSATION OR GRATUITY IN THE FORM OF MONEY OR OTHERWISE FOR ANY ACT OR OMISSION IN THE COURSE OF HIS PUBLIC WORK, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY LAW OR INTERSTATE COMPACT; PROVIDED THAT THE HEAD OF ANY DEPARTMENT OR BOARD OF THE COUNTY MAY PERMIT AN EMPLOYEE TO RECEIVE A REWARD PUBLICLY OFFERED AND PAID FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF A PARTICULAR TASK. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE BROADLY CONSTRUED AND STRICTLY ENFORCED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM SECURING ANY PECUNIARY ADVANTAGES, HOWEVER INDIRECT, FROM THEIR PUBLIC ASSOCIATIONS, OTHER THAN THEIR COMPENSATION PROVIDED BY LAW. IN ORDER TO GUARD AGAINST INJUSTICE, THE COUNCIL MAY, BY RESOLUTION,