

COUNTY LOCAL LAWS

corporations or associations involved in the decision being made by the official or his agency. Such presumption shall not be construed to apply to or include an interest or investment in land geographically remote from the land involved in the decision, a possibility or reverter, a mortgage or other security interest in which the real party in interest is not as otherwise defined in this subsection.

(2) Act as broker, agent, attorney, representative or employee of any person in his business dealings with the county or its agencies or agencies or the state operating for the county or represent private interests before the county or such described agencies; nor shall the official decide or participate in a decision on any matter in which a close business or professional associate has acted in any of these capacities or represented private interests before the county or such described agencies. This shall not be construed, however, to prevent members of boards and commissions appointed by the County Council or County Executive, or any close business or professional associates of such members, from participating in matters with the county or such described agencies, where such participation has no relationship to the board or commission to which such member was appointed, nor shall the term "participation" include the preparation of surveys, architectural or site plans when such are not prepared for presentation to the board or commission upon which such member serves.

(3) Solicit or accept any gift, favor, loan, service, promise, employment or thing which might influence or tend to influence the proper performance of his duty.

(4) Voluntarily appear as attorney, counsel or otherwise represent private interests or give opinion evidence against the interests of the county or its agencies or agencies of the state operating for the county in any action or proceedings in which the county or agency or any official of the county or agency acting in his official duty is a party, except where the interests of the county or agency are incompatible or adverse one to the other, and the official has been assigned to so appear or give evidence in accordance with his duty.

(5) Disclose any confidential information concerning the property, management or affairs of the county or agencies, or use such information to advance the financial or other private interests of himself or other persons.