## MINUTES OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

## MEETING OF AUGUST 7, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 4:30 p.m. at 400 Washington

Avenue, Room 118, Towson, Maryland. Those present at the meeting were:

- 1. Jeffrey Forman, Esquire Chairman
- 2. J. Michael Lawlor, Esquire Commissioner
- 3. Lee Jacobson, Esquire Commissioner
- 4. The Honorable G. Darrell Russell Commissioner
- 4. Elaine C. Katz, Esquire Executive Director
- 5. Susan Dubin, Esquire Assistant County Attorney
- 6. Michael E. Field, Esquire Baltimore County Attorney / Guest

The Chair called for the approval of the open session minutes for the meeting of June 5, 2018. Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Lawlor seconded the motion. The open session minutes were approved with no additions or corrections.

The Chair called for the approval of the closed session minutes for the meeting of June 5, 2018. Commissioner Lawlor moved to approve. Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion. The closed session minutes were approved with no additions or corrections.

The Chair called for the report of the Executive Director. The Commission was given an update on the 2017 financial disclosure forms. Approximately 200 forms were sent out. A second notice was sent out on June 11, 2018. As of this date, 17 forms have not yet been filed. A violation letter will be sent out in two weeks. All elected officials have submitted their forms.

It was announced that Michael Lawlor has been re-appointed as Commissioner, and Jeffery Forman has been re-appointed as Chairman of the Ethics Commission for another term.

Opinions 18-05 and 18-06 have been completed. Opinion 18-02 continues to be reviewed by the County Attorney.

The Chair called for old business. In order to discuss the advisory opinion request previously submitted dealing with secondary employment, as well as a new complaint, the Chair made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to § 7-1-104 of the County Ethics law and the State Open Meetings Act. Commissioner Lawlor seconded the motion. The meeting went into closed session at 4:35 p.m.

The meeting was re-opened at 5:20 p.m.

The Chair called for any Commission concerns/questions.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 4, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Commissioner Russell moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine C. Katz, Esquire

**Executive Director**