



CALVERT COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

P.O. Box 1104 Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678

December 15, 2020

Commissioner Kelly D. McConkey
2951 Brickhouse Rd.
Dunkirk, MD 20754
VIA EMAIL

Re: Letter of Censure and Cease and Desist

Commissioner McConkey:

The Ethics Commission unanimously finds that you violated Calvert County Ethics Code § 41-13 ("Conflict of Interest") by participating in the August 6, 2019 vote to adopt "Option B" to expand the geographical boundaries of the Huntingtown Town Center to include two properties which you own.

As set forth in the enclosed, written Findings of Fact and Conclusions, **your participation in that vote constitutes a textbook conflict of interest.** By participating in that vote, you improperly participated in a matter in which you have an economic interest or, alternatively, which would have a direct or indirect financial impact on you, as distinguished from the public generally. The Ethics Commission further **finds that you were not "required by law to act" in that matter,** such as would permit you to participate pursuant to Section 41-13(A)(2)(b), despite your conflict of interest.


Accordingly, **the Ethics Commission hereby issues this LETTER OF CENSURE and orders you to CEASE AND DESIST from any further violations of Section 41-13.** Pursuant to Section 41-22, should you violate this Cease and Desist order, the Ethics Commission will seek enforcement of the order in Circuit Court to include a fine or civil penalty of up to \$2,500 per violation, as well as other injunctive relief.

Pursuant to Section 41-12(J) of the Ethics Code, you may appeal this decision in the Circuit Court of Calvert County in the manner prescribed by Section 7-201 *et seq.* of the Maryland Rules of Procedure.

Sincerely,


Jennifer Mazur, Chair


Wayne Millette, Vice Chair


Matthew Raymer, Secretary

cc: Steven B. Preller, Susan Dzurec, Catherine Grasso, Mike Hart, Thomas E. Hutchins, Steven R. Weems, Earl F. Hance

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