Ethics 11 Answers

Scenario 1. Yes. This use would not meet the di minimis standard as it is not brief in duration or frequency and may also interfere with performance of official duties. Additionally, it is for the purpose of conducting an outside business.

Scenario 2. No. Some types of de minimis personal use of the internet are okay. As long as that internet use is legal and professional; as well as no selling, advertising, campaigning, or conducting an outside business.

Scenario 4. Yes, the use here is to avoid a personal expense.