



Washington State Executive Ethics Board

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Executive Ethics Board News

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November 13, 2018

The Executive Ethics Board (Board) met on Friday, November 9, 2018 for their regular meeting. Board members present were Chair John Ladenburg, Vice Chair Shirley Battan, and Member Gerri Davis. Others attending included: Kate Reynolds, Executive Director, Bruce Turcott, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Chad Standifer, Assistant Attorney General, David Killeen, Senior Investigator, Bobby Frye, Investigator and Ruthann Bryant, Administrative Officer. Members of the public also attended.

Enforcement

The Board heard oral arguments on a Motion to Dismiss and Motion for Summary Judgment regarding EEB Case 2015-031 Carl Walters. The Board denied the Motion to Dismiss. The Board granted the Motion for Summary Judgment and assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.

In lieu of an enforcement hearing, the Board accepted stipulations from:

- **Michael Hobbs**, a former University of Washington employee, may have violated several sections the Ethics in Public Service Act when he used state resources in support of his outside business, secured special privileges for himself and others in using the Harborview Medical Center facility to conduct personal outside business activities and received outside compensation for the performance of his official duties. The Board levied a civil penalty of \$27,500.
- **Jackie Shuey**, a Department of Corrections employee may have violated the Ethics in Public Service Act by taking time off from work without submitting the proper leave slips, used state resources for her personal benefit and gain and loaned money and gave gifts to some of her subordinates. The Board levied a civil penalty of \$5,000 with \$1,800 suspended.
- **Babette Babich**, an Everett Community College employee, may have violated the Ethics in Public Service Act by using state resources for her private business as a proctor for standardized college and professional school admissions and professional licensing tests. The Board levied a civil penalty of \$4,000 with \$2,000 suspended.
- **Randy Unger**, a former employee of the Washington Military Department, may have violated the Ethics in Public Service Act when he used state resources for private benefit or gain and secured special privileges by using his state credit card to make unauthorized charges. The Board levied a civil penalty of \$3,000.
- **Brooks Raymond**, a Supervisor with the Department of Corrections, may have violated the Ethics in Public Service Act when he failed to submit leave for time taken off work. The Board levied a civil penalty of \$2,500 with \$500 suspended.

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- **Cathy Petrie**, a former Employment Security Department employee, may have violated the Ethics in Public Service Act by using state resources for her private benefit and gain. The Board levied a civil penalty of \$2,500.
- The Board found Reasonable Cause in EEB Case 2018-002 (Duncan), EEB Case 2018-008 (Ferreria), EEB Case 2018-011 (Puksta), EEB Case 2018-012 (Chapman), EEB Case 2018-018 (Clark), EEB Case 2018-027 (McKenzie), EEB Case 2018-028 (Jones), EEB Case 2018-029 (Rudder), and EEB Case 2018-038 (Rogers).
- The Board Dismissed EEB Case 2018-003 (Dempster-Summers).
- The Board upheld the Executive Director's Dismissal in EEB Case 2018-035 (Smith).
- The Board issued a Final Order of Default in EEB Case 2016-075 (Linder).
- The Board reviewed two Executive Director's Dismissals: EEB Case 2018-026 (Hamilton) and EEB Case 2018-042 (Smith).

Board Action:

The Board reviewed and approved the following policies:

- Use of State Resources – Washington State Investment Board
- Social Media Use – Washington State Department of Transportation

Approved versions of policies will be uploaded to the Board's website at www.ethics.wa.gov.

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