

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to the Code of Ethics
2 and situations deemed a conflict of interests;
3 amending Ordinance No. 1308, Section 4 and
4 K.C.C. 3.04.030, and repealing Ordinance 1308,
5 Section 6, and K.C.C. 3.04.050.

6 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

7 SECTION 1. Ordinance 1308, Section 4 and K.C.C. 3.04.030
8 are hereby amended as follows:

9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST. No official or employee shall engage
10 in any act which is in conflict with the performance of official
11 duties. An official or employee shall be deemed to have a conflict
12 of interest if the person:

13 (1) Receives or has any financial interest in any sale to or
14 by the County of any service or property when such financial
15 interest was received with the prior knowledge that the County
16 intended to purchase such property or obtain such service;

17 (2) Accepts or seeks for others, any service, information,
18 or thing of value on more favorable terms than those granted to
19 the public generally, from any person, firm or corporation having
20 dealings with the County;

21 (3) Accepts any gift or favor from any person, firm or
22 corporation having any dealings with the County if the person
23 knows or has reason to know that it was intended to obtain
24 special consideration;

25 (4) Influences the selection of, or the conduct of business
26 with a corporation, person or firm having business with the
27 County if personally or through relatives the person shall have
28 financial interest in or with said corporation, person or firm;

29 (5) Is an employee, officer, partner, director or con-
30 sultant of any corporation, firm or person having business with
31 the County, unless such relationship has been disclosed as pro-
32 vided by this ordinance;

(6) Engages in or accepts private employment or renders
services for private industry when such employment or service is
incompatible with the proper discharge of official duties or
would impair independence of judgment or action in the perfor-

1 mance of official duties;

2 (7) Appears in behalf of a private interest before any
3 regulatory governmental agency, or represents a private interest
4 in any action or proceeding against the interest of the County in
5 any litigation to which the County is a party, unless the person
6 has a personal interest and this personal interest has been dis-
7 closed to the regulatory governmental agency. A County Council
8 member may appear before regulatory governmental agencies on
9 behalf of constituents in the course of his or her duties as a
10 representative of the electorate or in the performance of public
11 or civic obligations. However, no official or employee shall
12 accept a retainer or compensation that is contingent upon a
13 specific action by a County agency;

14 (8) Directly or indirectly possesses a substantial or con-
15 trolling interest in any business entity which conducts business
16 or contracts with the County, or in the sale of real estate,
17 materials, supplies or services to the County, without disclosing
18 such interest as provided by this ordinance. A substantial in-
19 terest is an interest that exceeds one-tenth of one percent of the
20 outstanding securities of the business concern; or, if the inter-
21 est is in an unincorporated business concern, exceeds one percent
22 of the net worth of such concern; or the financial interest of a
23 corporation, person or firm exceeds five percent of the net worth
24 of the employee and his household relatives;

25 (9) As a County Council member has a financial or other
26 private interest in any legislation or other matters coming be-
27 fore the Council, and fails to disclose such an interest on the
28 records of the County Council. This provision shall not apply if
29 the County Council member disqualifies himself or herself from
30 voting by stating the nature and extent of such interest. Any
31 other official or employee who has a financial or other private
32 interest, and who participates in discussion with or gives an

1 official opinion to the County Council and fails to disclose on
 2 the records of the County Council the nature and extent of such
 3 interest, shall be deemed in violation of this ordinance;

4 (10) Has an interest in any property being considered for
 5 revaluation or has a personal interest or connection with another
 6 person's petition while:

7 (a) an elected county official,

8 (b) Deputy County Executive and his/her ((Executive))
 9 Confidential Secretary,

10 (c) King County Executive's Administrative Asistants
 11 and ((Executive-Secretary)) Office Manager,

12 (d) King County Councilmen/women's Executive Secretaries,

13 (e) County Administrative Officer, his/her Administrative
 14 Asistants and his/her ((Executive)) Confidential Secretary,

15 (f) Chief Officer of each executive department, his/
 16 her Administrative Assistants, and his/her ((Executive)) Confidential
 17 Secretary,

18 (g) Chief Officer of each administrative office, his/her
 19 Administrative Assistants, and his/her ((Executive)) Confidential
 20 Secretary,

21 (h) Council Administrator(~~-Clerk~~)his/her Administrative
 22 Assistants, and his/her ((Executive)) Secretary,

23 (i) the Ombudsman, his/her ((Executive))Secretary, and
 24 the Deputy King County Ombudsman,

25 (j) all employees of the Department of Assessments,

26 (k) all employees assigned to the Board of Equalization
 27 and/or the Board of Appeals,

28 (l) any other county employee who has direct contact
 29 with the Board of Appeals and Equalization in the carrying out of
 30 his or her duties, and

31 (m) member of the King County Board of Appeals and/or
 32 Board of Equalization,

(n) Clerk of the Council, his/her Secretaries, Office
 Coordinators.

1 (11) As an appointive member of a board or commission, has a
2 member of their immediate family serving on the same board or
3 commission. For the purposes of this subsection, immediate
4 family is defined as:

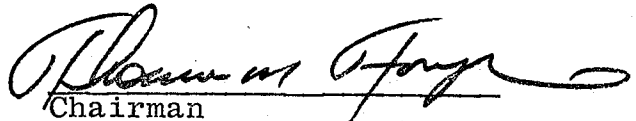
5	<u>Husband</u>	<u>Wife</u>
6	<u>Father</u>	<u>Father-In-Law</u>
7	<u>Mother</u>	<u>Mother-In-Law</u>
8	<u>Brother</u>	<u>Brother-In-Law</u>
	<u>Sister</u>	<u>Sister-In-Law</u>
	<u>Son</u>	<u>Son-In-Law</u>
	<u>Daughter</u>	<u>Daughter-In-Law</u>

9 NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. Ordinance 1308, Section 6, K.C.C.
10 3.04.050 is hereby repealed. Reports as formerly required by the
11 King County Code of Ethics, Ordinance 1308, Section 6, K.C.C. 3.04
12 will be satisfied by the filing of the Public Disclosure Commission
13 reports.

14 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 15th day of
15 July, 1974.

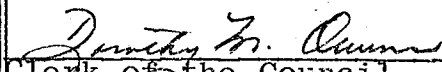
16 PASSED this 7th day of October, 1974.

17 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
18 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

19 
20 Chairman

21 THOMAS M. FORSYTHE

22 ATTEST:

23 
24 Clerk of the Council

DEEMED ENACTED WITHOUT
COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S SIGNATURE.

25 APPROVED this _____ day of October 17th, 1974.

26 _____
27 King County Executive