

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Posted on October 14, 2009

AGENDA

15th Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, October 20, 2009

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Rhode Island Ethics Commission

Hearing Room - 8th Floor

40 Fountain Street

Providence, RI 02903

1. Motion to approve minutes of Open Session held on October 6, 2009.

2. Advisory Opinions.

A. Judge Steven J. Hart, the Probate Judge of the Town of Coventry Probate Court, requests an advisory opinion as to whether the

Commission will grant a hardship exception to permit his continued representation of the estate of Lucille F. Legault before the Probate Court for the purpose of closing the estate and making final distributions.

B. Judge Steven J. Hart, the Probate Judge of the Town of Coventry Probate Court, requests an advisory opinion as to whether the Commission will grant a hardship exception to permit his continued representation of the estate of Ernest J. Ryan, Jr. before the Probate Court for the purpose of closing the estate and making final distributions.

C. Donato Andre D'Andrea, Esq., the Portsmouth Town Solicitor, requests an advisory opinion as to whether he is prohibited from advising the Town regarding its consideration of the installation of sewage or some other form of community treatment for wastewater that may affect approximately 4,000 lots, given that he owns one of the lots that may be impacted by Town action.

3. Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(4), to wit:

a.) Motion to approve minutes of Executive Session held on October 6, 2009.

b.) In re: Kim Petti,

Complaint No. NF2009-6

**c.) In re: Robert H. Wimer,
Complaint No. NF2009-14**

**d.) In re: Christopher Willi,
Complaint No. 2009-4**

**e.) Report on Preliminary Investigation No. 2009-1 pursuant to
Commission Regulation 36-14-12001.**

**f.) Notification of initiation of Preliminary Investigation No. 2009-2
pursuant to Commission Regulation 36-14-12001.**

g.) Collection Action Update:

**In re: Louis Aponte,
Complaint No. NF2005-3**

h.) Motion to return to Open Session.

4. Report on actions taken in Executive Session.

**5. Commission review and consideration of proposed General
Commission Advisory (GCA) No. 2009-3: Participation in Union
Actions by Public Officials who are Union Members.**

6. Director's Report:

a.) Docket status update.

7. New Business proposed for future Commission agendas.

8. Adjournment.

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