# INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISCLOSURE BY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE AS REQUIRED BY 930 CMR 6.02(3)

# **ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT TO AN UNCOMPENSATED POSITION**

### WHEN TO USE THIS DISCLOSURE FORM

STATE You already have a compensated position with a state agency or another direct or indirect

financial interest in a contract made by a state agency, and you have been appointed or elected to serve in an uncompensated position with the same state agency or another state

agency; or

COUNTY You already have a compensated position with a county agency or another direct or

indirect financial interest in a contract made by a county agency, and you have been appointed or elected to serve in an uncompensated position with the same agency or

another agency of the same county; or

MUNICIPAL You already have a compensated position with a municipal agency or a direct or indirect

financial interest in a contract made by a municipal agency, and you have been appointed or elected to serve in an uncompensated position with the same agency or another agency of

the same city or town.

The compensated position or other financial interest in a public contract must come FIRST in time. The uncompensated position must come SECOND.

You CANNOT USE this exemption if the only position you already have is an uncompensated position with a state, county or municipal agency and you are adding a compensated public position or a financial interest in a public contract.

Your existing financial interest in a public contract and your uncompensated position can be with the **same public agency.** They also can be with **different public agencies**.

## **EXISTING FINANCIAL INTEREST**

You may use this exemption if you **either** have a compensated position with a public agency **OR** you already have a **direct or indirect financial interest in a public contract.** 

- You have a **direct financial interest** if you have a **contract directly with a public agency** and derive some financial benefit or are subject to some financial obligation because of it.
- You have an **indirect financial interest** if you have a positive or negative stake in a **contract or** transaction between a public agency and another person or entity.

## For example:

- You work for compensation for a public agency.
- You work for a private person or entity (e.g., a business, non-profit or organization), and the work **is funded by a contract made by a public agency**.
- You have an **ownership interest in a private entity** (e.g., a business or non-profit) **that receives funds** by reason of a contract made by a public agency.
- You have a contract for goods, supplies or equipment, etc., with a public agency;
- You have an **ownership interest in a private entity** (e.g., a business or non-profit), and **the entity has a contract for goods, supplies or equipment, etc. with a public agency**.
- A **private person or entity has a contract or transaction with a public agency**, and you have a financial stake in the contract or transaction

#### **UNCOMPENSATED POSITION**

An uncompensated position is a position for which no pay, benefits, per diems or retirement-related creditable service is provided.

- You CANNOT turn a compensated position into an uncompensated position by waiving or declining the compensation.
- In an uncompensated position, you may receive reimbursement for actual expenses.

## **FILING THE DISCLOSURE**

Complete the disclosure below.

If you already had a **compensated public position** when you added the uncompensated position, **file the disclosure with the appointing authority** for your compensated public position.

Otherwise, if you are reporting that you are adding an uncompensated position with the state or a county, file the disclosure with the State Ethics Commission.

If you are reporting that you are adding an uncompensated position with a city or town, file the disclosure with the city or town clerk.

If you need advice about completing the disclosure, please call the Attorney of the Day at (617) 371-9500 or e-mail the State Ethics Commission at requestadvice@massmail.state.ma.us.

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