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### MINUTES OF THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING

July 2, 2014

Commission Members Participating: Paul M. Vettori, Chair  
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The Commission held a meeting via telephone conference call at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission's office at 45 Calvert Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Annapolis, Maryland. The meeting was closed to discuss one confidential advice matter.

#### Informal Matter – Informal Advice Matter (14-0230)

Discussion: The Commission met to consider a request from a national association as to whether it is required to register with the Commission as a lobbyist. The association has extended an invitation to a Maryland State delegate to participate in a conference in mid-July and is intending to pay the delegate's expenses associated with participation in the conference, which will exceed \$500.

Decision: The Commission determined that under the specific circumstances of this matter, the association is not required to register as a lobbyist under the provisions of the Public Ethics Law.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.