

LOCAL LAW NO. 6-07
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Chautauqua, New York, as follows:

1. Legislative History. The Chautauqua County Code of Ethics, as enacted by Local Law 3-90, and as amended by Local Law 5-91, Local Law 18-91, Local Law 3-93, Local Law 10-93, Local Law 7-94, Local Law 15-95, Local Law 7-98, and Local Law 5-02, is hereby further amended.

2. Amendments.

(a) Section 4 of the Code of Ethics is amended to add a new subdivision 6, as follows:

6. Nothing in this Local Law shall be construed to prohibit an unpaid member of an advisory County board, bureau, council, committee, or commission from acting or appearing for a third party regarding a contract with the County when such member has no power or duty to (a) negotiate, prepare, authorize or approve the contract or authorize or approve payment thereunder, (b) audit bills or claims under the contract, or (c) appoint an officer or employee who has any of the powers or duties set forth above.

(b) The first paragraph of Section 11(A) of the Code of Ethics is amended as follows:

A. Establishment. The County Legislature hereby establishes an Ethics Board consisting of five (5) members. The Ethics Board shall be responsible for ensuring full compliance with the Code of Ethics. All actions of the Board of Ethics shall be by a vote of at least three members.

(c) The first paragraph of Section 11(C) of the Code of Ethics is amended as follows:

C. Term. The members of the Ethics Board shall serve three-year staggered terms, provided that the first appointments to the Ethics Board shall be as follows: two members for a one-year term, two members for a two-year term, and three members for a three-year term. If a vacancy occurs on the Ethics Board, the new member shall be appointed to fill the unexpired portion of the term.

3. Effective Date. This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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Adopted: June 27, 2007

Public Hearing: July 12, 2007

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