## RESOLUTION NO. SD & WD 98-12-11A

A RESOLUTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF WATER WORKS OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN ESTABLISHING RULES OF CONDUCT CONTAINING A STATEMENT OF ETHICS BY WHICH ITS MEMBERS SHALL BE GOVERNED

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners and Board of Water Works of the Town of St. John are interested in conducting their meetings, and transacting their governmental duties, in an ethical, professional and responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners and Board of Water Works of the Town of St. John are acutely aware of the general public's growing sense of distrust and skepticism of its elected and appointed governing officials; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the members of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners and Board of Water Works, while mindful of the concerns of the public, to conduct its business, and fulfill its responsibilities, as true public servants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners and Board of Water Works that the following standards of conduct and ethics are hereby adopted to serve as a guide for the conduct of business by said entities:

- 1. Avoid any and all conflicts of interest during the member's term on the Board of Sanitary Commissioners and Board of Water Works, and also, for a period of three (3) months thereafter.
- 2. A member has a "conflict of interest" when that member knowingly or intentionally has a pecuniary interest in or derives a profit from a contract or purchase connected with an action of the Board upon which the member serves, examples of which conflict of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a.) Accepting employment with any entity of the Town of St. John, its subagencies or any of its employees or officials, or its suppliers of goods or services;
- (b.) Selling, or offering to sell as an employee, agent, representative or owner of another firm or commercial entity, any goods or services to the Town of St. John, its subagencies, or any of its employees or officials, or its suppliers of goods or services;
- (c.) Engaging in any form of commercial, consulting or managerial relationship with any entity that acts as a supplier of goods or services to the Town of St. John, or its subagencies;
- (d.) Other pecuniary relationships that result in an appearance of impropriety such that a member's performance of his/her duties is compromised.
- 3. If during his/her term as an appointee to the Board of Sanitary Commissioners and Board of Water Works a member determines that a conflict of interest exists regarding a particular issue to be decided by the Board, then, and in that event, the member shall declare, at a public meeting prior to the taking of official action on that subject, such conflict of interest and abstain from voting thereon, and further, shall immediately file an appropriate disclosure form with the office of the Clerk-Treasurer.
  - (a.) A disclosure required by this section must:
    - (1.) Be in writing;
    - (2.) Describe the contract or purchase to be made by the governmental entity:
    - (3.) Describe the pecuniary interest that the member has in the contract or purchase;
    - (4.) Be affirmed under penalty of perjury;
    - (5.) Be filed with the office of Clerk-Treasurer.

4. A member shall not accept from, nor offer to give to, nor agree to exchange with, any supplier of goods or services to the Town of St. John, or its subagencies, any gifts, gratuities, goods, services, discounts, entertainment, meals, or any other items of value during the period of time set forth in Paragraph 1 above.

5. Members shall endeavor to attend all regularly scheduled public meetings at which final action is taken, there being regularly scheduled a minimum of twelve (12) such meetings in a calendar year. In the event the member does not, for what ever reason, attend three (3) or more consecutive meetings during a course of a calendar year, the President of the appropriate Board shall request the resignation of said member, which is expected to be submitted without recourse, and thereafter, the appointing authority shall make a timely replacement appointment.

ALL OF WHICH IS RESOLVED this \_/ 7 Eday of December, 1998.

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