COLORADO INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION

Minutes of the June 16, 2020, Meeting Meeting Conducted by Web Conference

Present: Chair Elizabeth Espinosa Krupa; Vice-Chair William Leone; Commissioner Selina Baschiera; Commissioner Debra Johnson; and Commissioner Yeulin Willett.

Also Present: Dino Ioannides, IEC Executive Director; and Gina Cannan of the Colorado Attorney General's Office.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1. Due to COVID-19, the meeting was conducted by web conference. Chair Espinosa Krupa called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.
- 2. The Commission received public comments, as follows:
 - a. One member of the public indicated he was interested in listening to the meeting to learn about the Commission's meeting format.
- 3. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the April 28 and May 19, 2020, meetings.
- 4. Mr. Ioannides provided the staff report.
- 5. Upon motion duly seconded, Commissioner Baschiera was unanimously (Commissioner Willett recused) designated as the presiding commissioner for Complaint 19-25 and was authorized to issue subpoenas for documents and witnesses.
- 6. Upon motion duly seconded, Commissioner Leone was unanimously (Commissioner Willett recused) designated as the presiding commissioner for Complaint 19-26 and was authorized to issue subpoenas for documents and witnesses.
- 7. At 10:51 a.m., upon motion duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(3)(a)(II) and (III), to discuss Complaints 20-01, 20-02, 20-04, 20-05, 20-06, 20-07, 20-08, and 20-09, for purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions, and which are required to be kept confidential pursuant to Article XXIX, §5(3)(b) of the Colorado Constitution.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION BUSINESS

8. The Commission met in executive session from 10:51 a.m. to 11:46 a.m. concerning Complaints 20-01, 20-02, 20-04, 20-05, 20-06, 20-07, 20-08, and 20-09.

III. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9. The Commission returned to open session at 11:46 a.m.
- 10. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 20-01 as frivolous.
- 11. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 20-02 as frivolous.
- 12. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 20-04 as frivolous and for lack of jurisdiction.
- 13. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 20-05 as frivolous and for lack of jurisdiction.
- 14. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 20-06 as frivolous and for lack of jurisdiction.
- 15. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously deferred consideration of Complaint 20-07 pending further investigation and advice from counsel.
- 16. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously deferred consideration of Complaint 20-08 pending further investigation and advice from counsel.
- 17. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 20-09 as frivolous and for lack of jurisdiction.
- 18. Commission counsel provided an update about the *Dunafon v. Jones* litigation, stating that the petition is fully briefed and awaiting action by the Colorado Supreme Court.
- 19. Having no further business, the Commission adjourned at 11:58 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dino Ioannides Executive Director Colorado Independent Ethics Commission