COLORADO INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION

Minutes of the May 20, 2025, Meeting Meeting Conducted by Web Conference

Present: Vice-Chair Daniel Wolf, Commissioner Elizabeth Espinosa Krupa, Commissioner Lori Laske, and Commissioner Cole Wist.

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

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1. Vice-Chair Wolf called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.
- 2. The Commission invited public comment. Ms. Lindsey Terranova, of Erie, Colorado, offered her comments.
- 3. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the April 15, 2025, meeting, as amended.
- 4. Mr. Ioannides provided the staff report, with a portion of the report concerning the draft MOU with the Office of Administrative Services for Independent Agencies (ASIA) postponed to later in the agenda.
- 5. Ms. Cannan provided legal updates from the Office of the Attorney General.
- 6. Having received a substantive Answer in Complaint 21-18 (which Complaint had been stayed pending the outcome of criminal proceedings), the Commission instructed its staff to continue its investigation.
- 7. With Commissioner Espinosa Krupa presiding, the Commission called Complaint 23-02 for hearing on Respondent's Motion for Summary Judgement. Counsel for both parties entered their appearances. The Commission received oral argument from each party.
- 8. At 9:44 a.m., upon motion duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter closed session concerning Complaint 23-02, for purposes of receiving legal advice and to conduct deliberations.

II. CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS

9. The Commission met in closed session from 9:44 a.m. to 9:58 a.m. regarding Complaint 23-02.

III. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 10. The Commission returned to open session at 9:58 a.m.
- 11. Commissioner Espinosa Krupa announced that a written order in Complaint 23-02 would be forthcoming.
- 12. Vice-Chair Wolf resumed the chair.
- 13. The Commission recessed from 10:00 to 10:06 a.m.
- 14. At 10:09 a.m., upon motion duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter closed session concerning Complaints 25-24, 25-28, 25-29, 25-30, 25-31, 25-32, 25-33, 25-34, and 25-35, for purposes of receiving legal advice and which are required to be kept confidential pursuant to Article XXIX, §5(3)(b) of the Colorado Constitution.
- 15. Commissioner Wist recused from Complaint 25-33 and Ms. Cannan recused from Complaint 25-31.

IV. CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS

16. The Commission met in closed session from 10:09 a.m. to 10:49 a.m. regarding Complaints 25-24, 25-28, 25-29, 25-30, 25-31, 25-32, 25-33, 25-34, and 25-35.

V. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 17. The Commission returned to open session at 10:49 a.m.
- 18. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-24 as frivolous.
- 19. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-28 as frivolous.
- 20. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-29 as frivolous.
- 21. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-31 as frivolous.
- 22. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-32 as frivolous.
- 23. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously (Commissioner Wist recused) dismissed Complaint 25-33 as frivolous.
- 24. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-34 as frivolous.

- 25. Upon motion duly seconded, the Commission unanimously dismissed Complaint 25-35 as frivolous.
- 26. At 10:57 a.m., upon motion duly seconded, the Commission voted unanimously to enter closed session concerning Complaint 25-30, for purposes of receiving legal advice and which is required to be kept confidential pursuant to Article XXIX, §5(3)(b) of the Colorado Constitution; and concerning the draft MOU with ASIA, for purposes of receiving legal advice.

VI. CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS

27. The Commission met in closed session from 10:57 a.m. to 11:14 a.m. regarding Complaint 25-30 and the draft MOU with ASIA.

VII. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 28. The Commission returned to open session at 11:14 a.m.
- 29. Having no further business, the Commission adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dino Ioannides Executive Director Colorado Independent Ethics Commission