

**ALABAMA ETHICS COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**February 6, 2019**

**9:30 a.m.**

**9th Floor, RSA Union Building  
Montgomery, Alabama**

The Alabama Ethics Commission met on February 6, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. in the Public Service Commission Hearing Room on the 9th Floor of the RSA Union Building.

**Present:**

Honorable Jerry L. Fielding, Ret. Sr. Circuit Judge, Chair  
Honorable Frank C. Ellis, Jr., Esq., Vice Chair  
Honorable Charles Price, Ret. Presiding Circuit Judge, Member  
Honorable Beverlye Brady, Esq., Member  
Honorable John Plunk, Esq., Member  
Thomas B. Albritton, Executive Director  
Cynthia Propst Raulston, General Counsel  
Elizabeth Robison, Director of Finance and Administration  
Dustin Lansford, Special Agent  
R. Christopher Clark, Chief Special Agent  
Chris McCay, Special Agent  
Byron Butler, Special Agent  
Brian Baker, Special Agent  
Jessica L. Grant, Administrative Support Assistant III  
Vicky Manning, Lobbyist Liaison  
April Innes, Administrative Support Assistant  
Austin Gilmore, Clerk  
Sara Frost, Administrative Support Assistant  
Patrick Miller, Court Reporter

**Absent:**

Judge Fielding called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m., and introduced Commissioner John Plunk, who gave the invocation.

**Old Business:**

Approval of the minutes from the December 19, 2018 meeting:

***Mr. Plunk moved to adopt the minutes as written. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**New Business:**

**Advisory Opinion No. 2019-01**

**Requested by Grant Blackburn, Attorney, Black & Conner, P.C., Bay Minette, Alabama**

Director Albritton explained the request for Advisory Opinion No. 2019-01. ***Ms. Brady moved to adopt Advisory Opinion No. 209-01 as written. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting*** Opinion No. 2019-01 holds that if elected to the position of Revenue Commissioner, under the facts presented, the public official may bid on

*tax delinquent properties at tax sales conducted by revenue commissioners in counties other than the one to which his is elected, as can a member of his family, and exercise the rights relative to that ownership that are available to the general public provided that he and they not violate Ala. Code §§ 36-25-5 and 8.*

**Advisory Opinion No. 2019-02**

**Requested by Steve Ammons, Jefferson County Commissioner, District 5, Birmingham, Alabama**

Director Albritton explained the request for Advisory Opinion No. 2019-02. **Ms. Brady moved to adopt Advisory Opinion No. 2019-02 as written. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.** *Opinion No. 2019-02 holds that a member of the Jefferson County Commission can solicit business from public entities inside and outside Jefferson County, Alabama, and from Associations whose membership consist of potential Company clients, even if principals, if done under circumstances which make it clear that the business is being given to the official for reasons unrelated to his official position, he does not trade on the fact that he is a public official, he does not solicit business from a lobbyist in violation of Ala. Code § 36-25-23(c), or from anyone seeking official action from the Commission. Moreover, he may not accept anything, whether a thing of value or not, for the purpose of corruptly influencing his official actions. See Ala. Code § 36-25-7. He may not officially act on any matter in which he has a conflict of interest, which would include officially voting on an issue that would uniquely affect him, his business, or his business's clients.*

**Advisory Opinion No. 2019-03**

**Requested by Craig Lipscomb, Representative, Alabama State House, Montgomery, Alabama**

Director Albritton explained the request for Advisory Opinion No. 2019-03. **Mr. Plunk moved to adopt Advisory Opinion No. 2019-03 as written. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.** *Opinion No. 2019-03 holds that a member of the Alabama House of Representatives may continue his professional occupation as a Registered Architect and may obtain new clients "under facts which make it clear" that the business is unrelated to his position as a public official. He may manage his parents' general contracting business while he serves in the Alabama Legislature under the same restrictions. He must avoid conflicts of interest while he serves, and he must supply a copy of any contract paid in whole or in part with public money to the Commission within 10 days of entering the contract. Finally, he may not serve as a lobbyist while in the Legislature, but may "appear[] before a legislative body, a regulatory body, or an executive agency to either sell or purchase goods or services." That allowance notwithstanding, should such public sector clients be seeking official action by the State Legislature on issues related to the subject matter of his business or contractual relationship with such entity, or funding for a client, then such circumstances could create a conflict of interest for Mr. Lipscomb. See Ala. Code § 36-25-5. In those circumstances, the existence of a conflict of interest and the appropriate action to take would have to be looked at on a case-by-case basis.*

**Advisory Opinion No. 2019-04**

**Requested by Megan Zingarelli, City Attorney, City of Madison, Madison, Alabama**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for Advisory Opinion No. 2019-04. **Mr. Plunk moved to adopt Advisory Opinion No. 2019-04 as written. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.** *Opinion No. 2019-04 holds that a City Council member may enter into a business relationship with a company that has entered into a long-term license, lease, and management agreement with the City provided that he did not use his public position to*

*create the opportunity for himself and his company in violation of Ala. Code §36-25-5(a) and provided that he avoid conflicts of interest should they arise.*

**Advisory Opinion No. 2019-05**

**Requested by April Danielson, Attorney, Wallace, Jordan, Ratliff, & Brandt, LLC, Birmingham, Alabama**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for Advisory Opinion No. 2019-05. **Mr. Plunk moved to adopt Advisory Opinion No. 2019-05 as written. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.** *Opinion No. 2019-05 holds that a public employee or public official and their family members may fundraise for the costs of medical treatment for their son provided there is no mention of their public position in the solicitation and they include with the solicitation a disclaimer that they are not soliciting any donations from (1) anyone seeking official action by the agency for which the public official or public employee serves or works, (2) anyone or any business that does business with the agency that the employee or official works for or serves (3) any principals, lobbyists, or subordinates of lobbyists, and (4) any person or business the public official or public employee directly inspects, regulates, or supervises in their official capacity. No public official may accept anything with the intent to corruptly influence official action. No public official may solicit anything, other than a campaign contribution, from a lobbyist. See Ala. Code §36-25-23(c). The public official or public employee is required to make reasonable inquiry into all donations made to determine whether any of the prohibited businesses or persons have contributed. If a prohibited contribution is made, the public official or employee may not intentionally retain that contribution. Public officials may not use public resources (equipment, facilities, materials, human labor or other public property under their discretion or control) in furtherance of their fundraising efforts.*

**Advisory Opinion No. 2019-06**

**Requested by Maxwell Pulliam, Attorney, Birmingham, Alabama**

Director Albritton explained the request for Advisory Opinion No. 2019-06. **Ms. Brady moved to adopt Advisory Opinion No. 2019-06 as written. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.** *Opinion No. 2019-06 holds that public officials, public employees, or family members of either who serve on the board of a 501(c)(3) organization but receive no compensation or personal gain from the nonprofit, and neither does a business with which they are associated, can fundraise for the nonprofit, including from businesses or individuals who may be considered principals. No public official or public employee can use official resources or personnel to aid in fundraising. Ala. Code § 36-25-5(c). No contribution can be converted to the personal use of the official or employee or their family member. The contribution cannot benefit the public official, the public employee, their family or a business with which they are associated. Ala. Code § 36-25-5(a). No public official, public employee or group of public officials or public employees can solicit contributions from a lobbyist. Ala. Code § 36-25-23(c). Finally, nothing can be solicited or accepted for the purpose of corruptly influencing any public official or employee's official actions. Ala. Code § 36-25-7. This guidance does not apply to, and the Commission takes no position in this Opinion, on the issue of fundraising for nonprofits that bear the name of the public official or employee. Any request for guidance in that context should be requested separately.*

**Alabama Utility Contractors Association**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State and Tim Ayers were present to speak and answer any questions. **Mr. Ellis moved to set aside the October 15, 2018, October 22, 2018, October 29, 2018, and**

***November 5, 2018 offenses and civil penalties. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Deborah Barros-Smith**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Mr. Plunk moved to set aside the August 2, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Magaria Hamner Bobo**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Judge Price moved to set aside the October 15, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Phillip H. Brown**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Judge Price moved to uphold the October 2, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Choctaw County Democratic Executive Committee**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Ms. Brady moved to set aside the October 15, 2018, October 22, 2018, October 29, 2018, and November 5, 2018 offenses and civil penalties. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Glenda Perry Cochran**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Mr. Ellis moved to set aside the October 15, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed with four ayes (Ellis, Fielding, Plunk, and Price) and one nay (Brady).***

**Juandalyn Givan**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State and Waymon Powell were present to speak and answer any questions. ***Mr. Plunk moved to set aside the October 2, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Linda Hall**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State and Linda Hall were present to speak and answer any questions. ***Judge Price moved to set aside the October 22, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

**Hoover Democrats for Alabama**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Ms. Brady moved to set aside the October 15, 2018, October 22, 2018, and October 29, 2018 offenses and civil penalties. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

#### **Laborers Local 559 Political Fund**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Judge Price moved to set aside the October 29, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

#### **Steve Livingston**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Ms. Brady moved to set aside the October 15, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

#### **Tony Ray Simmons**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Ms. Brady moved to set aside the October 15, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

#### **Bobby D. Singleton**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State and Bobby Singleton were present to speak and answer any questions. ***Mr. Ellis moved to set aside the September 5, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

#### **South Alabamians for Good Government (SAGG)**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. Brent Beal, Deputy Attorney General, Alabama Secretary of State was present to speak and answer any questions. ***Ms. Brady moved to set aside the December 14, 2018 offense and civil penalty. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

***At 10:19 a.m. Ms. Brady moved that the Commission go into Executive Session. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

***At 2:30 p.m. Judge Price moved that the Commission go back into Open Session. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.***

#### **Case No. 2018-127**

***Jason Griffin, Former Transportation Supervisor, Chilton County Board of Education***  
***Judge Price moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Jason Griffin has committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Act. He further moved that this case be handled administratively and that it be referred for review and***

*appropriate legal action to the Attorney General of the State of Alabama. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-298**

**Daniel Cooper, Groundskeeper, City of Spanish Fort**

*Judge Price moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists insufficient facts to hold that Daniel Cooper has violated the Alabama Ethics Law. He further moved the case be closed. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-301**

**Curtis Luft, Former Superintendent, Parks & Recreation, City of Spanish Fort**

*Mr. Ellis moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Curtis Luft has committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Act. He further moved that this case be handled administratively and that it be referred for review and appropriate legal action to the District Attorney of the appropriate Judicial Circuit. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-335**

**Ellaine Miller, Executive Director, Family Child Care Partnerships Program**

*Judge Price moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Ellaine Miller has committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Act. He further moved that this case be handled administratively and that it be referred for review and appropriate legal action to the District Attorney of the appropriate Judicial Circuit. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-364**

**Jay Hafner, Supervisor, Fisheries Section, Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources**

*Mr. Plunk moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Jay Hafner has committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Act. He further moved that this case be handled administratively and that it be referred for review and appropriate legal action to the District Attorney of the appropriate Judicial Circuit. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-396**

**Chuck Holloway, Supervisor, Street Department, City of Roanoke**

*Mr. Plunk moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Chuck Holloway has committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Act. He further moved that this case be handled administratively and that it be referred for review and appropriate legal action to the District Attorney of the appropriate Judicial Circuit. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-397**

**Trae Johnson, Employee, City of Roanoke**

*Mr. Plunk moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Chuck Holloway has committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Act. He further moved that this case be handled administratively and that it be referred for review and*

*appropriate legal action to the District Attorney of the appropriate Judicial Circuit. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-006**

**Randall Houston, District Attorney, 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit**

*Ms. Brady moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists cause to hold that Randall Houston has violated the Alabama Ethics Law, and further moved that this case be referred for review and appropriate legal action to the Attorney General for the State of Alabama. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion failed with two ayes (Brady and Price), two nays (Ellis and Fielding), and one recusal (Plunk).*

**Case No. 2018-222 / 231**

**John Bowman, Chief of Staff, Montgomery Police Department**

*Mr. Ellis moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists insufficient facts to hold that John Bowman has violated the Alabama Ethics Law. He further moved the case be closed. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed with three ayes (Ellis, Fielding, Plunk), one nay (Brady), and one recusal (Price).*

**Case No. 2018-223**

**Ernest Finley, Chief of Police, Montgomery Police Department**

*Mr. Ellis moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists insufficient facts to hold that Ernest Finley has violated the Alabama Ethics Law. He further moved the case be closed. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed with three ayes (Ellis, Fielding, Plunk), one nay (Brady), and one recusal (Price).*

**Case No. 2018-230**

**Jay King, Captain, Montgomery Police Department**

*Mr. Ellis moved that based on the evidence as presented to this Commission, there exists insufficient facts to hold that Jay King has violated the Alabama Ethics Law. He further moved the case be closed. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed with three ayes (Ellis, Fielding, Plunk), one nay (Brady), and one recusal (Price).*

**Cases Recommended for Dismissal**

The following cases were presented to the Commission by Executive Director Albritton, with the recommendation that they be dismissed: **Case No. 2018-060; Case No. 2018-133; Case No. 2018-141; Case No. 2018-142; Case No. 2018-172; Case No. 2018-200; Case No. 2018-219; Case No. 2018-236; Case No. 2018-268; Case No. 2018-270; Case No. 2018-274; Case No. 2018-317; Case No. 2018-366; and Case No. 2018-414.** *Mr. Plunk moved that the Commission dismiss the cases as recommended. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 1199 PAC Fund**

Ms. Raulston explained the request for the Civil Penalty Appeal. *Judge Price moved to set aside the September 5, 2018, October 2, 2018, October 15, 2018, October 22, 2018, October 29, 2018 and November 5, 2018 offenses and civil penalties. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2017-069**

**Carrie Fulghum, Mayor, Town of Gainesville**

*Judge Price moved that Carrie Fulghum, Mayor, Town of Gainesville, pay \$2,000.00 in a lump sum and \$200.00 a month until the balance of \$11,548.41 of Restitution is paid in full. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2017-038**

**Amanda Hall, Teacher, Mobile County School System**

*Ms. Brady moved that on August 16, 2017, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Amanda Hall, Teacher, Mobile County School System, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Amanda Hall requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Ashley Rich, District Attorney, 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$100.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-011**

**Tonya Lindsey, Employee, Alabama Department of Labor**

*Judge Price moved that on October 3, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Tonya Lindsey, Employee, Alabama Department of Labor, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Tonya Lindsey requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. That request has been approved by Daryl Bailey, District Attorney, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-012**

**Mark Ward, Education Specialist, Alabama State Department of Education**

*Mr. Plunk moved that on December 19, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Mark Ward, Education Specialist, Alabama State Department of Education, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Mark Ward requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Daryl Bailey, District Attorney, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$500.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-031**

**Brian Largen, Former Head Softball Coach, New Hope High School**

*Mr. Plunk moved that on December 19, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Brian Largen, Former Head Softball Coach, New Hope High School, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Brian Largen requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Robert Broussard, District Attorney, 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-048**

**Allen Varner, Forestry Program Specialist, Alabama Forestry Commission**

*Mr. Plunk moved that on August 1, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Allen Varner, Forestry Program Specialist, Alabama Forestry Commission, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Allen Varner requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Daryl Bailey, District Attorney, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$90.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-055**

**Denise Jernigan Bush, City Clerk, City of Saraland**

*Mr. Plunk moved that on June 6, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Denise Jernigan Bush, City Clerk, City of Saraland, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Denise Jernigan Bush requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Ashley Rich, District Attorney, 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$100.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Judge Price seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-058**

**Joseph Lee Pittman, Arena Manager, Agricultural Arena, Autaugaville, Alabama**

*Judge Price moved that on December 19, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Joseph Lee Pittman, Arena Manager, Agricultural Arena, Autaugaville, Alabama, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Joseph Lee Pittman requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 19<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by*

*Randall Houston, District Attorney, 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$150.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-085**

**Alison Paige Walding, Executive Assistant, City of Saraland**

*Ms. Brady moved that on June 6, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Alison Paige Walding, Executive Assistant, City of Saraland, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Alison Paige Walding requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Ashley Rich, District Attorney, 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$100.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-101**

**Kenneth Edwards, Transportation Technologist Sr., Alabama Department of Transportation**

*Judge Price moved that on December 19, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Kenneth Edwards, Transportation Technologist Sr., Alabama Department of Transportation, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Kenneth Edwards requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Hays Webb, District Attorney, 6<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$150.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before February 20, 2019. Ms. Brady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Case No. 2018-211**

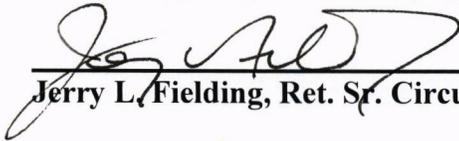
**Alisa Bentley Westbrook, Former Environmentalist, Alabama Department of Public Health**

*Ms. Brady moved that on December 19, 2018, the Alabama Ethics Commission found that Alisa Bentley Westbrook, Former Environmentalist, Alabama Department of Public Health, had committed one (1) minor violation of the Alabama Ethics Law. Alisa Bentley Westbrook requested an administrative resolution on that date. The Commission unanimously approved an administrative resolution of the case and forwarded to the District Attorney of the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit. That request has been approved by Brian McVeigh, District Attorney, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Accordingly, I hereby move that the request be granted and that this matter be handled administratively as follows: 1) that an administrative penalty in the amount of \$100.00 is ordered by the Commission; and 2) that the administrative penalty be paid to the Ethics Commission by cashier's check, money order or online payment on or before January 2, 2019. Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

**Adjournment**

*There being no further business, at 3:10 p.m. Judge Price moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Mr. Plunk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with all those present voting.*

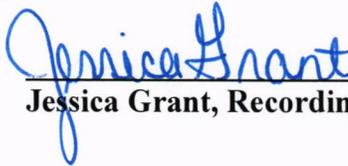
The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission is April 3, 2019.

  
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Jerry L. Fielding, Ret. Sr. Circuit Judge, Chair

  
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Thomas B. Albritton, Executive Director

  
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Jessica Grant, Recording Secretary