

ORDINANCE No. 2024- 09

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of Carroll County, Maryland (“the Board”), has enacted and codified the "Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Maryland";

WHEREAS, the Board is charged under State law with the duty and responsibility for establishing comprehensive policies and programs to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the inhabitants of the County and accordingly deems the subject amendment necessary to accomplish these duties and responsibilities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County, Maryland:

ARTICLE I. AMENDMENTS.

Section 1. The Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Title III, Administration, Chapter 34, Section 08, Prohibited Conduct. (A)(F) is repealed and amended as follows:

§ 34.08 PROHIBITED CONDUCT

(F) Other than in the discharge of official duties, an official, employee, or former official or employee, may not disclose or use confidential information that the official acquired by reason of the individual’s public position or former public position and that is not available to the public, for the economic benefit of the official or employee or that of another person.

Section 2. The Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Title III, Administration, Chapter 34, Section 11, Financial Disclosures – County Elected Officials and Candidates to be County Elected Officials, (C)(4) is amended with the addition of the following:

§ 34.11(C) – FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES – COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CANDIDATES TO BE COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS

(C) A statement filed under this section shall also include a schedule of each gift in excess of \$20 in value or a series of gifts totaling \$100 or more received during the reporting period from or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any one person who does business with the County, or from an association, or any entity acting on behalf of an association that is engaged only in representing counties or municipal corporations.

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Section 3. The Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances of Carroll County, Title III, Administration, Chapter 34, Section 16, Protection for Complainants, is replaced and amended as follows:

§ 34.16 – PROTECTION FOR CLAIMANTS

An official or employee may not retaliate against an individual for reporting or participating in an investigation of a potential violation of the local ethics policy.

ARTICLE II. SEVERABILITY.

Should any provision, section, sentence, clause, or part of this ordinance be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or impair any remaining provision, section, sentence, clause, or part of this ordinance, it being the intent of the County Commissioners that such remainder shall be and shall remain in full force and effect.

ARTICLE III. EFFECTIVE DATE.

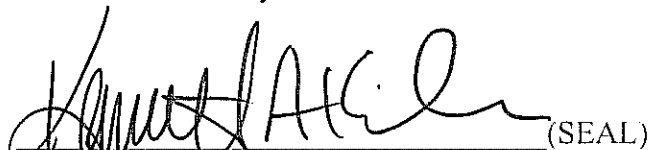
This Ordinance shall become effective on October 31, 2024.


ADOPTED this 31st day of October, 2024.

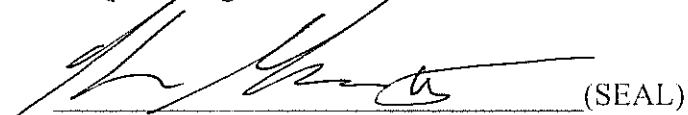
THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND,
a body corporate and politic
of the State of Maryland

ATTEST:


Vivian Daly, County Clerk


Kenneth A. Kiler, President (SEAL)


Joseph A. Vigliotti, Vice-President (SEAL)


Thomas S. Gordon III, Commissioner (SEAL)

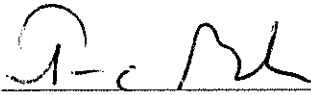


Michael R. Guerin, Commissioner (SEAL)



Edward C. Rothstein, Commissioner (SEAL)

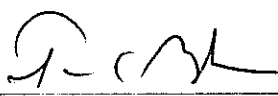
Approved for legal sufficiency:



Timothy C. Burke
County Attorney

Notice of Public Hearing published: October 3 and October 10, 2024
Public Hearing held: October 17, 2024
Public Meeting to adopt Ordinance: October 31, 2024
Notice of Adoption of Ordinance published: 11/21/24
Ordinance filed with Clerk of Court: 11/01/24

I hereby certify that the actions described above took place on the dates referred to above and that this Ordinance is effective as of the 31st day of October, 2024.



Timothy C. Burke, County Attorney

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