



Conflict of Interest & Disclosure of Financial Interest Statement

Purpose of Statement

The purpose of this disclosure form is to alert Socorro County Officials and Employees to personal interests that might be affected while they are performing their official duties and to disclose to the public potential conflicts of interest in order to insure the transparency of Socorro County Government.

This statement is directed to all employees and elected officials who can influence the actions of Socorro County. This would include all who make purchasing decisions, all persons who might be described as "management personnel," and anyone who has proprietary information concerning Socorro County.

Policy

Per Socorro County Ordinance 2005-001, Socorro County Personnel Policy, section 5.8, it is the policy of the County that “[n]o employee shall engage in any business or transaction or accept private employment or other public employment which is incompatible with the proper discharge of the employee’s responsibilities, or which gives the appearance of impropriety.”

Per New Mexico law, “[e]very employee of the county who has a financial interest which he believes or has reason to believe may be affected by the actions of the county by which he is employed shall disclose the precise nature and value of such interest” and “[e]very elected county official, who has a controlling interest, or a financial interest exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in a business which is regulated by official acts of the county, or does business with the county exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per year, shall disclose the precise nature and value of such interest.” See, NMSA 1978, Section 4-44-25 (1969).

Disclosure of Financial Interest

NOTE: This Disclosure of Financial Interest shall be filed with the Socorro County Clerk during the month of January of each year of employment with the County or of holding an Elected Office. This statement/disclosure requires you to provide information with respect to certain parties that are related to you. These persons are termed “affiliated persons” and include the following:

- your spouse, domestic partner, child, mother, father, brother or sister;
- any product, service, corporation, business or organization of which you are a board member, an officer, an owner, a partner, participate in management or are employed by, or are, directly or indirectly, a debt holder or the beneficial owner of any class of equity securities; and
- any trust or other estate in which you have a substantial beneficial interest or as to which you serve as a trustee or in a similar capacity

I, _____, hereby disclose and declare that

1. I am an elected official of or I am employed by Socorro County in the following capacity:
2. I declare that I shall not acquire a financial interest in any business venture or business property of any kind that will be directly affected by my official act.
3. I declare that I shall not contract in any manner with the county or any agency thereof, without public notice and competitive bidding and full disclosure of my financial or other interest in the business which is a party to such contract.

I declare that I have no proprietary, financial, professional or other interest of any nature or kind in any product, service, corporation, business or organization that transacts with Socorro County except for the following:

4. I and/or _____ have proprietary, financial, professional or other _____ interest in the following business/organization, which does transact with Socorro County:
_____.
5. My interest in the above written business/ organization is is not a controlling interest.
6. The business/organization provides the following products or services to Socorro County:
_____.
7. The estimated value of this transactional relationship with Socorro County is over under \$10,000.
8. I hereby declare that I have and will continue to disqualify myself from any act, official or otherwise, direct or indirect, concerning any business between or involving the County and the named business/organization.
9. I declare that I hereby recuse myself from any vote taken by the any County board/committee relating to any such matter.

Signed: _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 20__, by _____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
