Conflict of Interest

Russell Karlstad

Vice Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals

City of Worcester

January 11, 2021

DISCLOSURE OF APPEARANCE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
AS REQUIRED BY G. L. c. 268A, § 23(b)(3)

	PUBLIC EMPLOYEE INFORMATION
Name of public	FOBLIC ENIFECTEE INFORMATION
employee:	Russell Karlstad
Title or Position:	Vice Chair REGULATION
Agency/Department:	ZBA 2021 JAII
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	In my capacity as a state, county or municipal employee, I am expected to take certain actions in the performance of my official duties. Under the circumstances, a reasonable person could conclude that a person or organization could unduly enjoy my favor or improperly influence me when I perform my official duties, or that I am likely to act or fail to act as a result of kinship, rank, position or undue influence of a party or person. I am filing this disclosure to disclose the facts about this relationship or affiliation and to dispel the appearance of a conflict of interest.
	APPEARANCE OF FAVORITISM OR INFLUENCE
Describe the issue that is corning before you for action or decision.	Items # 2&3 on the ZBA agenda for 01/11/2021 under Hampton Properties LLC
What responsibility do you have for taking action or making a decision?	Member of the board to approve or not approve a ZBA request
Explain your relationship or affiliation to the person or organization.	I know and have done small projects in the past with the designer hired by Hampton Properties - AA Design Services located 43 Monroe Ave in Worcester
How do your official actions or decision matter to the person or organization?	No direct matter, this is a second level contact I felt the need to bring to the boards attention before moving forward.

Optional: Additional facts — e.g., why there is a low risk of undue favoritism or improper influence.	
If you cannot confirm this statement, you should recuse yourself.	WRITE AN X TO CONFIRM THE STATEMENT BELOW. _X Taking into account the facts that I have disclosed above, I feel that I can perform my official duties objectively and fairly.
Employee signature:	Russell Karlstad
Date:	01/11/2021

Attach additional pages if necessary.

Not elected to your public position - file with your appointing authority.

Elected state or county employees - file with the State Ethics Commission.

Members of the General Court - file with the House or Senate clerk or the State Ethics Commission.

Elected municipal employee - file with the City Clerk or Town Clerk.

Elected regional school committee member - file with the clerk or secretary of the committee.

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