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December 29, 2009 Amended

The Missouri Ethics Commission, at its December 18, 2009 meeting, took the following actions:

The Commission determined that the candidate listed below failed to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement by the twenty first day after the last day of filing for the February 2, 2010 election. Accordingly, the Commission instructed its staff to notify the official who accepted a declaration of candidacy from the candidate listed below, that the candidate is disqualified from the February 2, 2010 election pursuant to section 105.492.2, RSMo.:

James Rynard, State Representative District 62

An opinion was issued in response to the following:

Re: Conflict of Interest-Opinion No. 2009.12.CI.005

The Commission held a hearing in the following case and issued the following Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law and Order:

08E104 Rodney Metscher The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Rodney Metscher violated Sections 105.454(1), 105.454(2), 105.458.1(1), and 105.458.1(2) and 105.454(4).

It is the order of the Missouri Ethics Commission that a fee is imposed against the Respondent, Rodney Metscher, in the amount of \$22,905.00 pursuant to §105.961.4(6), RSMo. However, if Respondent pays \$2,290.50 of that fee within forty- five (45) days after the date of the Order, and if Respondent pays an additional \$2,290.50 of that fee within 90 days of the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years, subject to the provisions below. The fee will be paid by check or money order made payable to the Missouri Ethics Commission and sent to the Missouri Ethics Commission. If Respondent Rodney Metscher has not committed any further violations of the conflict of interests laws pursuant to Chapter 105, RSMo 2000, during the two year stay, then Respondent will not be required to pay the balance of this fee. If, however, Respondent is found to have violated the conflict of interest laws pursuant to Chapter 105, RSMo 2000, during this two year stay, Rodney Metscher will be required to pay the balance of the fee as originally imposed by the Commission. The amount of the balance will be due immediately upon final adjudication finding probable cause by Respondent of such a violation.