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**MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
PUBLIC SESSION**

**December 20, 2011
12:00 P.M.
540 Broadway
Albany, New York**

Present:

Chair: Hon. Janet DiFiore

Members: Ravi Batra
Patrick J. Bulgaro
Hon. Joseph Covello
Hon. Vincent A. Delorio
Daniel J. Horwitz
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Skype:

Attendees: Seymour Knox, IV (*via Skype*)
Gary J. Lavine (*via Skype*)
(Commissioners Knox and Lavine participated in discussions *via Skype* and were counted as present for quorum, motion and voting purposes.)

Telephone

Attendees: Mary Lou Rath (*via Telephone*)
David A. Renzi (*via Telephone*)
(Commissioners Rath and Renzi participated in discussions *via telephone* but were not counted as present for quorum, motion and voting purposes.)

Staff: Barry Ginsberg
Theresa A. Schillaci
Jeannine Clemente
Deborah Novak

I. OPENING STATEMENT

The meeting was opened by Chair Janet DiFiore thanking all Commissioner Members for their willingness to serve and asking the members to introduce themselves.

II. MINUTES FROM THE COMMISSION ON PUBLIC INTEGRITY

PUBLIC SESSION – APRIL 14, 2011

Informational draft minutes of the Public Session for the Commission on Public Integrity's final Commission Meeting held on April 14, 2011 were provided to the Commissioners.

III. COMMISSION PROCEDURES

Chair DiFiore and Barry Ginsberg presented and discussed statutory tasks of the Commission, including the development of guidelines for *Per Diem* payments, Executive Law §94(1); Review of Existing Regulations with Legislative Ethics Commission, Executive Law §94(1); Review of Existing Advisory Opinions with Legislative Ethics Commission, Executive Law §94(1); and preparation of new Regulations and Executive Law §94(10) Ethics Training.

IV. MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW §105(1)(d) AND NON-PUBLIC MEETING PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE LAW §94(19)(b)

A motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Public Officers Law §105(1)(d) and a Non-Public Meeting pursuant to Executive Law §94(19)(b) was made by Commissioner Covello, seconded by Commissioner Horwitz. Commissioner Batra opposed.

Respectfully submitted,



Theresa A. Schillaci