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Ethan Carrier
General Counsel
New York City Conflicts of Interest Board
2 Lafayette Street
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Re: COIB Rule 1-13(e)(1): Designation of NYC Law Department to Perform
Work with Not-for-Profit Entity

Dear Mr. Carrier:

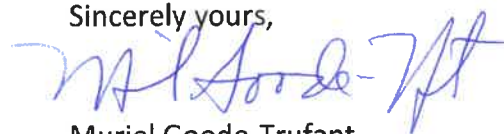
Pursuant to Rule 1-13(e)(1) of the Rules of the Conflicts of Interest Board, I write to disclose that Karen Griffin, Chief Ethics Officer and Division Chief of Ethics and Compliance for the New York City Law Department (the "Law Department") has been invited to serve on the board of the Committee on Standards of Attorney Conduct ("COSAC") of the New York State Bar Association ("NYSBA"). She will serve in this role in her official capacity and will use reasonable incidental City time and resources in doing so.

COSAC is charged with monitoring and evaluating the New York Rules of Professional Conduct and other provisions that regulate lawyers and the practice of law in New York State. Its members come from across New York State and include private practitioners in small and large firms, government lawyers, and corporate counsel.

Ms. Griffin has had ongoing involvement with COSAC, providing guidance pertaining to Rules of Professional Conduct governing Law Department attorneys' legal practice, and she will now have an official role as a member of COSAC's board. She and her team at the Law Department are instrumental in providing guidance to COSAC and informing them of the unique challenges government lawyers often confront. As such, it is in the Law Department's and the City's interest that Ms. Griffin continue to perform this function on behalf of the Law Department. Ms. Griffin has no involvement in any business dealings between NYSBA and the City, should such business dealings exist.

Thus, it is clear to me that there is a demonstrated nexus between Ms. Griffin's position in the Law Department and her role as a newly appointed COSAC board member; that her activities related to COSAC furthers the Law Department's mission; and that this work will not conflict with the purposes and interests of the City.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Muriel Goode-Trufant". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "M" and a long, sweeping tail.

Muriel Goode-Trufant

c: Eric Eichenholtz