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Dear Mr. Apol:

In accordance with the provisions of Title I of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 as amended, I am forwarding the financial disclosure report of Robert K. Hur. President Trump has nominated Mr. Hur to serve as United States Attorney for the District of Maryland.

We have conducted a thorough review of the enclosed report and have counseled Mr. Hur on the ethics rules. Although it is not possible to provide for all of the specific circumstances which might give rise to a financial conflict of interest because the work of United States Attorneys involves a wide variety of matters involving specific parties, and it is not possible to predict where conflicts will arise until specific parties are identified, we have counseled Mr. Hur on the applicable conflict-of-interest laws and regulations and, in particular, on the application of 18 U.S.C. § 208.

As required by 18 U.S.C. § 208 and the provisions of 5 C.F.R. § 2635.401 *et seq.*, Mr. Hur will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which he knows that he has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which he knows that a person whose interests are imputed to him has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless he first obtains a written waiver, pursuant to Section 208(b)(1), or qualifies for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to Section 208 (b)(2). Mr. Hur understands that the interests of the following persons are imputed to him: his spouse; minor children; any general partner of a partnership in which he is a limited or general partner; any organization in which he serves as an officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which he is negotiating or has an arrangement concerning prospective employment. In determining whether a particular matter has a direct and predictable effect on his financial interests or on those of any other person whose interests are imputed to him, Mr. Hur will consult with the Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA), General Counsel's Office, and will follow the procedures outlined in the United States Attorneys' Manual, Section 3-2.170 *et seq.* As stated in the attachment to this Ethics Agreement, Mr. Hur understands and agrees to comply with the conflict of interest statute and regulations, and to follow the procedures set forth in this agreement.

Mr. Hur resigned from his position with King and Spalding LLP in June 2017. Pursuant to his partnership agreement, he received a fifty percent repayment of his capital contribution upon resignation, and he will receive the remainder of his capital contribution in annual payments over the next 24-month period. The total amount of the payments was calculated as of the date of his withdrawal. Until he receives this refund, he will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to his knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the ability or willingness of the firm to pay this refund, unless he first obtains a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1). For a period of one year after his resignation, he will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which he knows that entity is a party or represents a party, unless he is first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d). In addition, he will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which a former client of his is a party or represents a party for a period of one year after he last provided service to that client, unless he is first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Mr. Hur resigned from his position with the Asian Pacific American Bar Association - DC in June 2017. For a period of one year after his resignation, Mr. Hur will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which he knows the Asian Pacific American Bar Association - DC is a party or represents a party, unless he is first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

Mr. Hur has been advised that the duties of the position of United States Attorney may involve particular confidential matters identified by the United States Attorney's Office (USAO) that may affect his financial interests. EOUSA has determined that it is not necessary at this time for Mr. Hur to divest his financial interests because his recusal from particular matters in which these interests pose a conflict of interest will not substantially limit his ability to perform the essential duties of the position of United States Attorney. Immediately upon confirmation, EOUSA will prepare recusals for all particular matters in which Mr. Hur will not be granted a waiver or will not qualify for a regulatory exemption.

If Mr. Hur has a managed account or otherwise uses the services of an investment professional during his appointment, he will ensure that the account manager or investment professional obtains his prior approval on a case-by-case basis for the purchase of any assets other than cash, cash equivalents, investment funds that qualify for the exemption at 5 C.F.R. § 2640.201(a), or obligations of the United States.

The USAO has conducted a conflict review, and has found no additional conflicts of interest. Should additional conflicts arise, the USAO will seek the necessary waiver(s) or recusal(s) of the nominee immediately upon his confirmation. An appropriate screening mechanism will be identified and immediately upon appointment of the new United States Attorney, all USAO personnel will be advised in writing of all matters in which the new United States Attorney may not participate. The notification will specifically list the matters and identify the Acting United States Attorney for those matters.

Mr. Hur will meet in person with the United States Attorney's Office ethics advisor during the first week of his service in the position of United States Attorney for the District of Maryland in order to complete the initial ethics briefing required under 5 C.F.R. § 2638.305. Within 90 days

of his confirmation, he will document his compliance with this ethics agreement by notifying the Executive Office for United States Attorneys, General Counsel's Office, in writing when he has completed the steps described in this ethics agreement.

Mr. Hur has been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Finally, Mr. Hur understands that as an appointee he must continue to abide by the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) that he previously signed and that he will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments he has made in this ethics agreement.

Based on the above agreements and counseling, I am satisfied that the report presents no conflicts of interest under applicable laws and regulations and that you can so certify to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Sincerely,

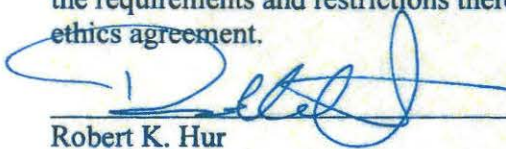


Lee J. Lofthus
Assistant Attorney General
For Administration and
Designated Agency Ethics Official

Enclosure

NOMINEE STATEMENT

I have read the attached Ethics Agreement signed by Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General for Administration and Designated Agency Ethics Official on Nov. 15, 2017, and I agree to comply with the conflict of interest statute and regulations, and to follow the procedures set forth in the agreement. In addition, I understand that as an appointee I must continue to abide by the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) that I previously signed and that I will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments I have made in this ethics agreement.


Robert K. Hur

November 15, 2017
Date