



OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS

DOCKET NUMBER 2024-13 : **165 CAPITOL AVENUE**
: **SUITE 1200**
IN THE MATTER OF A : **HARTFORD, CT 06106**
: **SEPTEMBER 5, 2025**
COMPLAINT AGAINST :
: **TIARA MATHEWS**

STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to the Code of Ethics, General Statutes §§ 1-79, *et seq.*, Mark Wasielewski, Ethics Enforcement Officer, issued a Complaint against Tiara Mathews (hereinafter “Mathews” or “Respondent”), alleging violations of the Code of Ethics. Based on the investigation by the Enforcement Division of the Office of State Ethics, the Ethics Enforcement Officer finds that there is probable cause to believe that Respondent violated General Statutes § 1-84 (c) of the Code of Ethics, as further set forth herein.

The Parties have entered into this Consent Order following the issuance of the Complaint, but without any adjudication of any issue of fact or law herein.

I. STIPULATION

The Ethics Enforcement Officer and Respondent stipulate to the following facts:

1. From in or around March, 2023 through in or around June, 2024, Respondent was

employed as a Nurse Consultant at the state Department of Public Health (hereinafter "DPH").

2. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was a "state employee" as that term is defined in General Statutes § 1-79 (13).

3. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was also employed by a healthcare services business located in Norwalk, Connecticut (the "Norwalk business").

4. Respondent's employment with the Norwalk business was not related to her state job duties.

5. During her employment with DPH, Respondent used state time to perform work for the Norwalk business and was compensated by the state for such time.

6. General Statutes § 1-84 (c) states in pertinent part:

No public official or state employee ... shall use his public office or position ... to obtain financial gain for himself[.]

7. Respondent, by using state time for outside employment purposes, used her public office or position to obtain financial gain for herself, in violation of General Statutes § 1-84 (c).

8. Each time Respondent used state time for outside employment purposes as stated above constitutes a separate and distinct violation of General Statutes § 1-84 (c).

II. JURISDICTION

1. The Ethics Enforcement Officer is authorized to investigate Respondent's acts as set forth herein, and to enter into this Stipulation and Consent Order.

2. The provisions of this Stipulation and Consent Order apply to and are binding upon Respondent.

3. Respondent hereby waives all objections and defenses to the jurisdiction of the Ethics Enforcement Officer over matters addressed in this Stipulation and Consent Order.

4. Respondent waives any rights she may have under General Statutes §§ 1-80, 1-82, 1-82a, 1-87 and 1-88, including the right to a hearing or appeal in this case, and agrees with the Ethics Enforcement Officer to an informal disposition of this matter as authorized by General Statutes § 4-177 (c).

5. Respondent consents to jurisdiction and venue in the Connecticut Superior Court, Judicial District of Hartford, in the event that the State of Connecticut seeks to enforce this Stipulation and Consent Order. Respondent recognizes that the Connecticut Superior Court has the authority to specifically enforce the provisions of this Stipulation and Consent Order, including the authority to award equitable relief.

6. The terms set forth herein are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other existing or future statutory, regulatory, or other legal obligation that may be applicable to Respondent.

7. Respondent understands that she has a right to counsel and has been represented by counsel during the Office of State Ethics' investigation and in connection with this Stipulation and Consent Order.

III. ORDER

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to General Statutes § 4-177 (c), the Office of State Ethics hereby ORDERS, and Respondent Tiara Mathews agrees, that:

1. Pursuant to General Statutes § 1-88 (a) (1), Respondent will cease and desist from any future violations of General Statutes § 1-84 (c).

2. Pursuant to General Statutes § 1-88 (a) (3), Respondent will pay a civil penalty to the State in the amount of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for her violations of General Statutes § 1-84 (c) as set forth in the Complaint and herein.

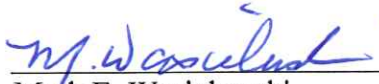
WHEREFORE, the Ethics Enforcement Officer and Respondent hereby execute this
Stipulation and Consent Order dated September 5, 2025

Dated: 9/8/25



Tiara Mathews

Dated: 9/10/25



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