

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

DOCKET NUMBER 98-1

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF A

20 TRINITY STREET

COMPLAINT AGAINST

HARTFORD, CT 06106

FRANCIS J. MUSKA, JR.

JANUARY 9, 1998

STIPULATION AND ORDER

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-177(c), the State Ethics Commission and the Respondent agree to settle this matter in the manner described below:

- 1. The Commission finds that the Respondent violated the Code of Ethics for Public Officials as alleged in the Complaint dated December 15, 1997.
- 2. The Respondent states that at the time of his acceptance of the ground transportation, food, and complimentary hotel rooms, he did not consider that acceptance to be a violation, but now recognizes that said acceptance was not prudent on his part.
- 3. The Respondent waives any rights he may have under Conn. Gen. Stat. §§1-82, 1-82a, 1-87 and 1-80, including any right to a hearing or appeal in this case, and agrees with the Commission to an informal disposition of this matter as authorized by Conn. Gen. Stat. §4-177(c).
- 4. The Respondent agrees to pay, within thirty days, the sum of \$500 to charity in reimbursement of the value of the benefits received by him.

WHEREFORE, the State Ethics Commission enters and the Respondent agrees to the following order in lieu of any other action regarding this matter:

The Respondent agrees to pay \$2000.00 to the State Ethics Commission within thirty days of this Stipulation and Order, and henceforth to comply with the Code of Ethics.

Respondent Francis J. Muska, Jr.

Dated

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