

**From:** Danny Varat <DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov>  
**To:** Catherine McNicoll <CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov>  
**Date:** 10/9/2017 2:37:45 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Ethics MOU

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You have this for him to sign? He'll be there on Thursday.

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**From:** Catherine McNicoll  
**Sent:** Friday, October 6, 2017 11:09 AM  
**To:** Burchstead, Michael; Hamm, Steven  
**Cc:** Danny Varat  
**Subject:** Re: Ethics MOU

On my way.

Best Regards,  
Catherine McNicoll  
Director of Legal & Legislative Affairs  
Lieutenant Governor's Office  
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803-734-5292 (phone)

Sent from my iPhone

On Fri, Oct 6, 2017 at 11:08 AM -0400, "Burchstead, Michael" <mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov> wrote:

Any time. Not positive of Steve's schedule the rest of the day, but he is in the office right now

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**From:** Catherine McNicoll [mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 06, 2017 11:07 AM  
**To:** Burchstead, Michael; Hamm, Steven  
**Cc:** Danny Varat  
**Subject:** RE: Ethics MOU

When would be a good time for me to bring the documents over.

*Best Regards,  
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**From:** Burchstead, Michael [mailto:mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 06, 2017 10:15 AM  
**To:** Catherine McNicoll <CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov>; Hamm, Steven <shamm@ethics.sc.gov>  
**Cc:** Danny Varat <DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Ethics MOU

That works on my end.

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**From:** Catherine McNicoll [mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 06, 2017 10:13 AM  
**To:** Hamm, Steven  
**Cc:** Danny Varat; Burchstead, Michael

Subject: FW: Ethics MOU

Good Morning Director Hamm,

We have reviewed the changes made by Michael and they are fine. We would like to get this executed as soon as possible. With the Lieutenant Governor mostly being in Anderson this time of year, we would like to bring three copies to your office to be signed today. From there we are hoping Chief Keel will approve the changed language and I can take those copies to him this afternoon and that the copies can go to Anderson with the security detail for the Lieutenant Governor to sign this evening. I will then distribute an original to each agency early next week. Please let me know if this is something we can accomplish today.

I have attached a PDF of the MOA with the track changes removed. I have also made two grammatical edits from Michael's draft. The first in Section II there was a code cite missing a dash and the second in Section III(A)(2) "employees" was changed to "employs".

Thank you and Michael for your time and assistance in preparing this agreement.

*Best Regards,*

*Catherine McNicoll*

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From: Burchstead, Michael [<mailto:mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, October 05, 2017 4:39 PM

To: Catherine McNicoll <[CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov)>; Danny Varat <[DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov)>

Cc: Hamm, Steven <[shamm@ethics.sc.gov](mailto:shamm@ethics.sc.gov)>

Subject: RE: Ethics MOU

Catherine/Danny:

Attached is a proposed agreement. The changes are only slight from what you sent us several months ago. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

Michael

Michael R. Burchstead

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From: Catherine McNicoll [<mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2017 4:58 PM

To: Burchstead, Michael; Danny Varat

Subject: Re: Ethics MOU

I'm available between 8:30 and 9:45 and after 3pm. Can you please call my cell phone in case I'm walking between places. 856-381-8013.

Best Regards,

Catherine McNicoll

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Sent from my iPhone

On Tue, Oct 3, 2017 at 4:51 PM -0400, "Burchstead, Michael" <[mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov](mailto:mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov)> wrote:

I'll give you a call tomorrow on this if it suits.

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From: Danny Varat [<mailto:DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov>]  
Sent: Sunday, October 01, 2017 7:00 PM  
To: Burchstead, Michael; Catherine McNicoll  
Subject: Re: Ethics MOU

You name the time. We'll be ready. Thanks a lot

Danny

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From: Burchstead, Michael <[mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov](mailto:mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov)>  
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2017 4:42 PM  
To: Catherine McNicoll  
Cc: Danny Varat  
Subject: Re: Ethics MOU

Can we do something in the afternoon? I'm speaking to a group in Greenwood that morning

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 29, 2017, at 11:05 AM, Catherine McNicoll <[CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov)> wrote:

Good Morning, Could we do a call at 11:30 on Monday. Danny will be available then as well.

*Best Regards,*

*Catherine McNicoll*

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From: Burchstead, Michael [<mailto:mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov>]  
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 2:55 PM  
To: Catherine McNicoll <[CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov)>  
Cc: Danny Varat <[DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:DannyVarat@scstatehouse.gov)>  
Subject: Re: Ethics MOU

I am having a dental procedure shortly and will likely be out tomorrow as well. Also, my last day at the ethics commission is next Friday, as I have accepted a job in private practice. Can one of you give me a call Monday?

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 28, 2017, at 12:28 PM, Catherine McNicoll <[CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov)> wrote:

Good Afternoon Michael, Just touching base to see if there has been any progress.

Thank you.

*Best Regards,*

*Catherine McNicoll*

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From: Burchstead, Michael [<mailto:mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov>]  
Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 5:30 PM  
To: Catherine McNicoll <[CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov)>  
Subject: RE: Ethics MOU

We have been in a Commission meeting most of the day. I will call you tomorrow.

I had something drafted around the time of our last meeting, but in the interim I learned that the Lt Governor account is now closed. That changes my thinking on a few things (making it less complicated) and I just need to put the pen to paper in editing the previous document.

Best regards,

Michael

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From: Catherine McNicoll [<mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 9:44 AM

To: Burchstead, Michael

Subject: Ethics MOU

Good Morning Michael,

The Lieutenant Governor asked about the status of the Ethics MOU yesterday and I wanted to see if you had made any progress since we met in August. Thank you.

*Best Regards,*

*Catherine McNicoll*

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