



PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS

Roderick Cassidy, *Chair*
Paul Eldridge, *Secretary*
Jackie Boissonault, *Member*

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE (Reporting year 2020)

Pursuant to §55-22 of the Putnam County Code of Ethics and Financial Disclosure Law

Please accept our apologies for the lateness of this report. The Board of Ethics only met twice in 2020. The first was prior to the shutdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The second time was during the pandemic, in person, under restrictions. Jan Miller, the Assistant to the Board retired in July 2020 and was replaced by Angela Aquilato.

The Board consisted of five members. Rod Cassidy as Chair, Kathleen Delamere as Vice Chair, Paul Eldridge As Secretary and members Jane Geoghean & Jackie Boissonault.

During 2020, the Board of Ethics met twice. All meetings of the Board are open to the public (except for executive sessions to review annual disclosure statements and consider complaints and requests for advisory opinions).

- Rod Cassidy was elected Chair of the Board, and Kathleen Delamere was elected Vice-Chair. The Board welcomed Jane Geoghean as a new member, and Jackie Boissonault was appointed to a three-year term via Resolution #131 of 2020, such term to expire December 31, 2022. Paul Eldridge was reappointed to a three-year term as Secretary to expire December 31, 2023.

Annual Financial Disclosure Statements

Under the Code of Ethics, one of the Board's primary responsibilities is to review the annual financial disclosure statements filed by County officers and employees. The review is to assure that the filed forms are complete and responsive on their face to the requirements of the law. The Board's review is done in executive session.

The electronic submission of these statements has been a major improvement for most filers. It is a faster process, eliminates a lot of paper, and provides the filer with an immediate copy of their submission.

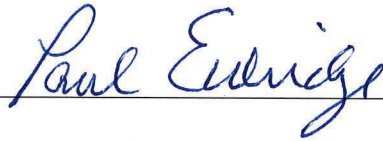
The following is the record of Financial Disclosure Forms reviewed and accepted during 2018:

The Donald B. Smith County Government Campus
110 Old Route 6, Building 3
Carmel, New York 10512
Tel (845) 808-1650 x 46105 ~ Fax (845) 808-1924

February	Accepted	44 forms
August	Accepted	56 forms

Thirty other forms were submitted and returned to sender for correction or more information, but not responded to by the end of the year.

Dated: April 8, 2022

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Paul Eldridge", is written over a horizontal line.

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