## **Crawford County Airport Authority**

## December 27, 2021

<u>Allegation</u>: Commissioner Robert Quick is disqualified to serve. Our research indicates Quick is a member of the governing body, officer, or employee of unit of local government.

Robert Quick was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Crawford County Memorial Hospital, the governing body of a unit of local government.

Airport Authorities Act disqualifies him from serving as an Airport Authority Commissioner. See Section 5 of 70 ILCS 5.

# Allegation: Commissioner Tyler Devonshire (Chairman) Prohibited Conflict of Interest

Commissioner Tyler Devonshire owns Weber Insurance Company, which does business with the Crawford County Airport Authority.

The Airport Authorities Act prohibits any commissioner from having a financial interest in the establishment or continued existence of the authority.

The Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act prohibits interests in contracts, with some exceptions that Devonshire does not qualify for. "May be called upon to act or vote" is the operative language.

Abstaining from the vote does not get rid of the conflict.

#### Airport Authorities Act:

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(70 ILCS 5/5) (from Ch. 15 1/2, par. 68.5)
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Sec. 5. Qualifications of commissioners and removal from office. No person shall be appointed to the Board of Commissioners of any Airport Authority who has any financial interest in the establishment or continued existence thereof or who is a member of the governing body or an officer or employee of a municipality, a county, or any other unit of local government, or an elected official of State or federal government, except when the authority is wholly located within a single county with a population of less than 40,000, an individual employed by a local school district may serve as a commissioner.

Should it appear to the Department of Transportation that any member of the Board of Commissioners of an airport authority may be disqualified, or guilty of misconduct or malfeasance in office or unwilling or unable to act, it shall notify the Board of Commissioners of that fact in writing and it shall then be the duty of the Board of Commissioners to require such board member to show cause why he should not be removed from office. Any such person shall be given a hearing by the Board of Commissioners and, after such hearing, if the Board of Commissioners finds such a charge should be sustained, it shall remove the person so charged from office, and a vacancy shall thereupon exist for the

unexpired term of such office. (Source: P.A. 88-109; 89-174, eff. 7-19-95.)

#### Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act:

(50 ILCS 105/3) (from Ch. 102, par. 3)

Sec. 3. Prohibited interest in contracts.

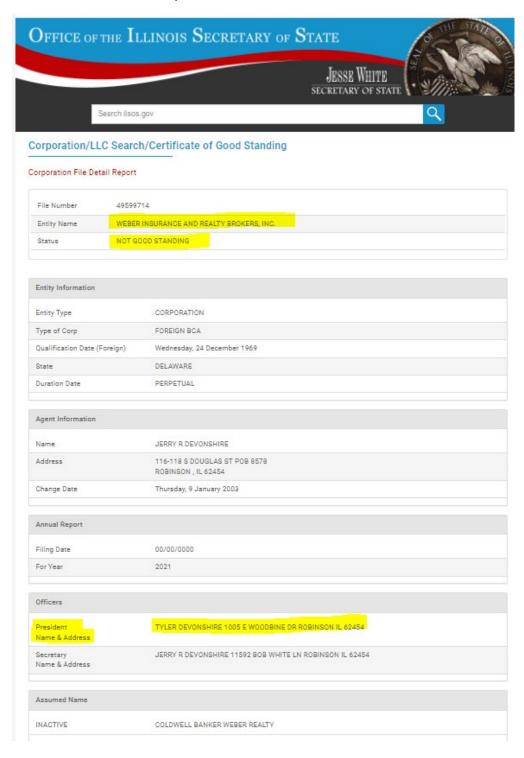
- (a) No person holding any office, either by election or appointment under the laws or Constitution of this State, may be in any manner financially interested directly in his own name or indirectly in the name of any other person, association, trust, or corporation, in any contract or the performance of any work in the making or letting of which such officer may be called upon to act or vote. No such officer may represent, either as agent or otherwise, any person, association, trust, or corporation, with respect to any application or bid for any contract or work in regard to which such officer may be called upon to vote. Nor may any such officer take or receive, or offer to take or receive, either directly or indirectly, any money or other thing of value as a gift or bribe or means of influencing his vote or action in his official character. Any contract made and procured in violation hereof is void. This Section shall not apply to any person serving on an advisory panel or commission, to any director serving on a hospital district board as provided under subsection (a-5) of Section 13 of the Hospital District Law, or to any person serving as both a contractual employee and as a member of a public hospital board as provided under Article 11 of the Illinois Municipal Code in a municipality with a population between 13,000 and 16,000 that is located in a county with a population between 50,000 and 70,000.
- (b) However, any elected or appointed member of the governing body may provide materials, merchandise, property, services, or labor, subject to the following provisions under either paragraph (1) or (2): (1) If:
  - A. the contract is with a person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or cooperative association in which such interested member of the governing body of the <u>municipality</u> has <u>less than</u> a 7 1/2% share in the ownership; and
    - B. such interested member publicly discloses the nature and extent of his interest prior to or during deliberations concerning the proposed award of the contract; and
    - C. such interested member abstains from voting on the award of the contract, though he shall be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum; and
    - D. such contract is approved by a majority vote of those members presently holding office; and
    - E. the contract is awarded after sealed bids to the lowest responsible bidder if the amount of the contract exceeds \$1500, or awarded without bidding if the amount of the contract is less than \$1500; and
      - F. the award of the contract would not cause the

aggregate amount of all such contracts so awarded to the same person, firm, association, partnership, corporation, or cooperative association in the same fiscal year to exceed \$25,000.

(2) If:

- A. the award of the contract is approved by a majority vote of the governing body of the <a href="municipality">municipality</a> provided that any such interested member shall abstain from voting; and
- B. the amount of the contract does not exceed \$2,000; and
- C. the award of the contract would not cause the aggregate amount of all such contracts so awarded to the same person, firm, association, partnership, corporation, or cooperative association in the same fiscal year to exceed \$4,000; and
- D. such interested member publicly discloses the nature and extent of his interest prior to or during deliberations concerning the proposed award of the contract; and
- E. such interested member abstains from voting on the award of the contract, though he shall be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum.
- (b-5) In addition to the above exemptions, any elected or appointed member of the governing body may provide materials, merchandise, property, services, or labor if:
  - A. the contract is with a person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or cooperative association in which the interested member of the governing body of the <a href="municipality">municipality</a>, advisory panel, or commission has less than a 1% share in the ownership; and
  - B. the award of the contract is approved by a majority vote of the governing body of the municipality provided that any such interested member shall abstain from voting; and
  - C. such interested member publicly discloses the nature and extent of his interest before or during deliberations concerning the proposed award of the contract; and
  - D. such interested member abstains from voting on the award of the contract, though he shall be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum.

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# Statement of Economic Interests to be Filed with the County Clerk Your Name Was Submitted For Filing by an Entity That You Represent (Type or Print)

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