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**Indiana Lobby Registration Commission**  
**August 28, 2009**  
**10:00 AM**  
**10 W. Market, Conference Room, Third Floor**

**Members present:** Jan Abbs, Sue Scholer, Scott Mellinger, Katie Wolf

**Staff present:** Sarah Nagy, Executive Director/Counsel

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:20 a.m.

IN.gov presented information regarding the mandatory e-filing project and answered questions relating to the same. The Commission instructed the Director to provide sample rules for mandatory e-filing at the next public meeting, to be discussed at the next public meeting and then placed into the administrative rule making process in a future meeting.

General Counsel reported about the process which much be utilized in promulgating rules which shall require that all lobbyist reports be filed electronically. The Commissioners agreed to discuss this matter in more detail at the next public meeting.

GASI representatives offered to participate in the rule promulgation and drafting process and it was agreed to include interested third parties in that process.

The Commissioners reviewed and unanimously approved the minutes of the July 17, 2009, public meeting.

The Commission voted unanimously to adopt the amendments directed from the July 17, 2009, public meeting, to both the Advisory Opinion Procedure and the Audit Procedure.

The written request made by Win Moses was addressed, in that the Commissioners were notified that the Director had spoken with Win Moses regarding his request and that he indicated that he was satisfied with said guidance and that no further action needed to be taken regarding his written request for formal guidance.

The Director presented several examples from various State and federal jurisdictions of *ex parte* communication policies, procedures, and rules. The Director was instructed by the Commissioners to provide additional sample language from other jurisdictions and other Indiana Commissions regarding *ex parte* communication policies for appointed commissioners. This issue is to be placed on next public meeting agenda.

The Commissioners were presented with a copy of Altria's request for formal advisory opinion, and various supporting materials relating thereto. Representatives from Quarles & Brady, Altria, and its affiliated corporations were conference in for this part of the meeting.

The Director was instructed by the Commissioners to return to the next meeting with a draft Proposed Advisory Opinion relating to the issues raised by Altria in its request for formal guidance.

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Staff report was given, which included lobbyist audit updates, non-filer updates, and a budget update.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 p.m.