Report on actions taken by the Rhode Island Ethics Commission in Executive Session held on October 17, 2023:

1. Voted (6-0) to approve the minutes of the Executive Session held on September 12, 2023. [Reporter's Note: The vote was as follows:

AYES: Marisa A. Quinn; Frank J. Cenerini; Lauren E. Jones; Hugo L. Ricci,

Jr.; Matthew D. Strauss; and Holly J. Susi.

ABSTENTION: Emma L. Peterson.]

2. Unanimously voted (7-0) to grant the Prosecution's Motion to Enlarge Time for Investigation, First Extension in the matter of <u>In re: David Patten</u>, Complaint No. 2023-6, for 60 days to February 7, 2024.

- 3. Unanimously voted (7-0) to grant the Prosecution's Motion to Enlarge Time for Investigation, First Extension in the matter of <u>In re: James E. Thorsen</u>, Complaint No. 2023-7, for 60 days to February 7, 2024.
- 4. Unanimously voted (7-0) to grant the Prosecution's Motion to Enlarge Time for Investigation, First Extension in the matter of **In re: Daniel McKee**, Complaint No. 2023-8, for 60 days to February 24, 2024.
- 5. Unanimously voted (5-0) to grant the Prosecution's Motion to Enlarge Time for Investigation, First Extension in the matter of **In re: K. Joseph Shekarchi**, Complaint No. 2023-3, for 60 days to January 26, 2024.

[Reporter's Note: The vote was as follows:

AYES: Marisa A. Quinn; Frank J. Cenerini; Emma L. Peterson; Matthew

D. Strauss; and Holly J. Susi.

RECUSALS: Lauren E. Jones and Hugo L. Ricci, Jr.]

- 6. Unanimously voted (7-0) to grant the Prosecution's Motion to Enlarge Time for Investigation, First Extension in the matter of <u>In re: Frank Brown, Jr.</u>, Complaint No. 2023-4, for 60 days to January 31, 2024.
- 7. Unanimously voted (7-0) to grant the Prosecution's Motion to Enlarge Time for Investigation, First Extension in the matter of **In re: Denise Brown**, Complaint No. 2023-5, for 60 days to January 31, 2024.
- 8. Unanimously voted (7-0) in the matter of <u>In re: Richard Nassaney</u>, Complaint No. 2023-9, to initially determine that the Complaint states facts that, if true, are sufficient to constitute violations of the Code of Ethics and to authorize an investigation.

9. Unanimously voted (7-0) in the matter of <u>In re: Michael Colasante</u>, Complaint No. 2023-10, to initially determine that the Complaint states facts that, if true, are sufficient to constitute violations of the Code of Ethics and to authorize an investigation.

An Initial Determination is a preliminary vote that should not be construed as an opinion regarding the truth of the facts alleged in the complaint but is merely a vote to conduct an investigation into the allegations raised.

10. Unanimously voted (7-0) to return to Open Session.