

ETHICS DISCLOSURE

To comply with the Alaska Executive Branch Ethics Act (AS 39.52), board members are required to disclose sufficient information on the record of all interests they, or their immediate families, may have that relate to fish (Board of Fisheries members) or wildlife (Board of Game members) to enable the chair of the board to determine whether the involvement may be a personal or financial interest that constitutes a conflict of interest under the Act.

When making public ethics disclosures on the record at board meetings, members must provide sufficient information in response to the following questions to enable the chair to decide if it is necessary to inquire further to determine whether a conflict exists:

1. Explain in general terms what you do for a living:
 - a. primary employer/employment,
 - b. other employment or sources of income,
 - c. other business interests.

For the following questions, “member of your family” includes spouse, conjugal cohabitant, child (including step-child and adopted child), parent, sibling, grandparent, aunt, uncle, and spouse’s parent and sibling.

2. List all personal or financial interests you, or any member of your family, have in any business or organization relating to fish or wildlife resources.
3. Describe generally any interest you, or any member of your immediate family, have in a business or fish or wildlife organization that may be affected by any of the proposals to be discussed.
4. Describe generally any other interests of a personal or financial nature you, or any member of your immediate family, have that may be affected by any of the proposals to be discussed.
5. List all lawsuits that you, a member of your immediate family, or any organization you belong to, are involved in against the state, the board or the Department of Fish and Game, or where the state, the board, or the department is a party to the lawsuit.

If you, or a member of your immediate family, are a member of any organization or corporation that is involved in a such a lawsuit, briefly explain what the organization is, the size of its membership and whether you, or an immediate family member, are on its board or hold some other executive or policy making position.

You must certify that your disclosure statement is “true, correct and complete.”

Under the Ethics Act the chair of each board has the duty to determine whether a member's involvement in a matter violates the Act (AS 39.52.220). After each individual disclosure, the chair will rule on whether the board member has a conflict. If the chair determines that a conflict will exist if the member participates, the member must refrain from voting, deliberating, or participating in the matter. If the chair determines no conflict will exist, the member can participate fully.