



May 23, 2005

Colonel Steve Dozier
Arkansas State Police
1 State Police Plaza Drive
Little Rock, AR 72209-4822

Re: Advisory Opinion #483-05-04

Dear Col. Dozier:

This letter is in response to your request for an advisory opinion in accordance with Section 19-11-715(b) of the Arkansas Code Annotated of 1987. Your request for an advisory opinion is based on the following facts:

- a) Brooks Jackson, a director of the Arkansas State Police Foundation, a not-for-profit public benefit corporation, is part owner of Jackson, Brown, King, Architect Firm.
- b) The Jackson Firm is competing for architectural services for a new troop headquarters in Hot Springs.
- c) You are requesting an advisory opinion to determine if an ethical conflict exists.

The Ethics in Public Contracting Law and EO-98-04 address ethical conflicts of “employees” and “former employees.” Since Mr. Jackson is not an employee or former employee, there are no restrictions on his ability to contract with Arkansas State Police.

This advisory opinion is issued in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated Section 19-11-715 (b), and compliance with the above course of conduct is deemed to constitute compliance with the ethical standards of the Act and EO-98-04.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Weiss
Director

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