

FY 2022 Formal Advisory Opinions

Date	Source	Case	Case Type	Issue	Opinion/Response
September 13, 2020	<u>22-0018</u>	Official	Conflict of Interest	Whether it is permissible for an agent within Official's brokerage firm who is working with organization based in Maryland to locate a site to lease in Southern Prince George's County, Maryland, and another agent in Official's brokerage firm who is working with a business located in Upper Marlboro of Prince George's County, Maryland who wishes to lease space at Southlake, a mixed-use development in Bowie, Maryland.	Section 2-293(a) of the Ethics Code prohibits a County official from participation in any matter in which they have an interest, including a financial interest; or in matters where a business entity in which they have an employment interest, applied for employment, or a direct financial interest, is a party to the matter. It is not permissible for an agent within Official's office to work with business to locate a site to lease in Southern Prince George's County, Maryland and another agent in Official's office to work with business who wishes to lease space at Southlake.