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January 27, 2016

[REDACTED]
Accokeek Development Review District Commission
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Re: Financial Disclosure Statement Exemption Request

Dear [REDACTED]:

This letter is written to thank you and the Commissioners from the Accokeek Development Review District Commission (ADRDC) for participation in the Board of Ethics (the "Board") meeting on November 13, 2015. At that meeting the Board allowed the ADRDC Commissioners to present on exempting its members from filing Financial Disclosure Statements as required by §2-294 of the Prince George's County Ethics Code and Executive Order 13-2014. Upon review of all the information received by the Board, we are not persuaded that the basis of our prior opinion dated August 28, 2014, should be set aside in favor of an exemption. As such, your request for an exemption is denied.

The filing of Financial Disclosure Statements serve to remind public officials and employees of their financial interests to help them avoid conflicts of interest, while at the same time promote public confidence in the integrity of government by providing citizens with information about those who serve them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Covette Rooney".

Covette Rooney
Board Chair