

**4515.0500 ABSTENTION.**

Subpart 1. **Nonlegislator.** A public official who is not a legislator or a member of the governing body of a metropolitan governmental unit and who has a potential conflict of interest and who does not have an immediate superior shall abstain from the matter, if possible, by assigning the matter to a subordinate for disposition or requesting the appointing authority to designate another to determine the matter. In such a case, the official shall not chair a meeting, participate in any vote, or offer any motion or discussion on the matter giving rise to the potential conflict of interest.

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