

Hello Mr. McGarry and Ms Edwards,

I am writing at the suggestion of Mike Conklin, the Town's director of Environmental Affairs. I have been a member of the Inland Wetland Commission for about 6 years after 10 years on Conservation and 10 years on Wetlands before that. I just completed 10 years on the Town Tree Committee. I am also currently the volunteer Deputy Tree Warden. During my time on the Tree Committee I planted over 40 trees in Wilton center at the direction of the chairwoman, Kate Throckmorton, and paid for by the Environmental Affairs office. I did this without making any profit with the thought that I was doing the town a good service. I can review numbers at a later time. I have been informed that I can no longer do this as it is considered a "conflict of interest". This is something I disagree with entirely and I would like to appeal to the Ethics Commission for consideration in this matter. I have spoken with Jeff Lapnow who is currently a member of the Conservation Commission who has also been doing work at no profit for the town and has been advised that he also has a conflict. We both feel it is an unfair decision and Jeff has asked me to put forward his case as well. Please let me know what is needed from me to proceed with this appeal process. Thank you very much for your consideration.

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Ms Sayegh,

Thanks so much for your responses and the phone call. In response to your request, I would like to appear before the Council on Ethics to review the previously submitted emails regarding whether it is a conflict of interest for myself, as a member of the Inland Wetlands Commission and as one of the Town of Wilton Tree Wardens, to bid on town projects which are generated by the Wilton Tree Committee and also by the Town's Director of Environmental Affairs, Mike Conklin. I will answer any questions at that time of your next physical meeting, as we discussed, whenever that may be.

Nicholas Lee