

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION**

**Approved by the Regents
July 17, 2014**

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Regental Action Required Under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute

Action Requested: Authorization for the University to transact with Igo Computer Consulting, Inc. (University of Michigan Employee, Jeffrey Igo, Owner)

Background:

The University of Michigan-Dearborn Department of Mathematics and Statistics at the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters seeks approval to transact with Igo Computer Consulting, Inc. ("Igo") for database programming services in support of the project "Mathematical Analysis of the Folk Costumes of European Cultures." Construction of a database and the querying capabilities for this database are an essential part of the project. Igo was selected due to their familiarity with the subject matter.

The proposed transaction falls under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute as Jeffrey Igo is a University employee as a Lecturer II with the Dearborn Department of Mathematics and Statistics at the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters and would be a party to the contract as the Owner of Igo.

However, the Statute allows the University to enter into such agreements if the following conditions are met:

- a) The public servant promptly discloses any pecuniary interest in the contract to the official body which has power to approve the purchase, which disclosure shall be a matter of record in its official proceedings.
- b) The purchase is approved by a vote of not less than 2/3 of the full membership of the approving body in open session without the vote of the public servant making the disclosure.
- c) The official body discloses the following summary information in its official minutes:
 - i) The name of each party involved in the contract.
 - ii) The terms of the purchase, including duration, financial consideration between the parties, facilities or services of the public entity included in the purchase, and the nature and degree of assignment of employees of the public entity for fulfillment of the purchase.
 - iii) The nature of any pecuniary interest.

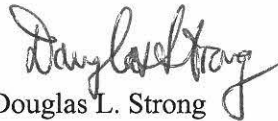
The following information is provided in compliance with the statutory requirements contained in Section (c) above:

- i) The parties to the contract are the Regents of the University of Michigan and its Dearborn Department of Mathematics and Statistics at the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters and Igo.
- ii) The agreement is to purchase database programming services in support of the project "Mathematical Analysis of the Folk Costumes of European Cultures.", for a total cost of \$3,000.
- iii) The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee, Jeffrey Igo is the Owner of Igo.

Jeffrey Igo has met state law requirements with the disclosure of his pecuniary interest and formal appointment arrangements with the University of Michigan. Requirements, if any, that may be applicable under the Medical School's or OVPR's Conflict of Interest Committee's procedures are separately analyzed and managed.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the agreement between the University of Michigan and Igo subject to requirements, if any, that either the Medical School's or OVPR's Conflict of Interest Committee may impose.

Respectfully submitted,



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and Chief Financial Officer

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