

# ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT



## Full Policy

The news of government officials using the power and resources of their offices to promote their personal projects and electoral campaigns is disturbing and violates ethical norms.

We need to beef up the City's ethics laws to ensure that we are doing all we can to ensure ethical behavior in government.

As Mayor, I will:

- ◆ Ensure that NYC's rules regarding outside income prohibit any elected official from being paid with City tax dollars to write a book. I will insist that my Conflicts of Interest Board appointees scrutinize any such book project proposed by a City official or employee.
- ◆ Prohibit government staff from being paid to do personal or political work for an elected official who they work for in a personal capacity.
- ◆ Empower the city's Conflicts of Interest Board by providing the agency with the resources it needs to conduct proper oversight and enforcement. The Conflict of Interest Board's budget has been cut for the last two years. We cannot expect real enforcement without appropriate resources.
- ◆ Slam shut the revolving door by expanding and extending the ban on lobbying so that any person who works for my administration is prohibited from lobbying my administration for the duration of my administration.
- ◆ Disclose the details of any meeting I have with a lobbyist or any donor to my campaign where the discussion involves any City business.
- ◆ Support the goals of a good government and civic coalition calling for ethics reform at the State level.