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Bill Dwyer, Chair
Lane County Board of County Commissioners
125 E 8th Avenue
Eugene OR 97401



The purpose of this letter is to declare an actual conflict of interest under ORS 244.020(1) and to designate responsibility for all matters pertaining to assessment and taxation of certain properties.

My son is an employee of Symantec Corporation, which owns multiple personal and real properties located in Lane County. Ordinarily, this would not be a conflict of interest, but Symantec Corporation is applying for a property tax exemption under the Enterprise Zone statute, ORS 285.597.

My daughter is an employee of PeaceHealth, which owns multiple personal and real properties located in Lane County. Many of these properties are exempt from property tax under ORS 307.140 and may become subject to review. Other properties may become eligible for application and review under similar property tax exemptions.

Therefore, in order to avoid an actual conflict of interest or the perception of a conflict of interest, I delegate Deputy Assessor Anette Spickard responsibility for any and all assessment and taxation decisions related to property owned by Symantec Corporation or by PeaceHealth over which Lane County has jurisdiction.

I will not be involved in or participate in review, deliberations, or decisions on these properties. All questions and issues normally referred to me will be referred to Ms. Spickard for resolution.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Gangle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning.

Jim Gangle, Director
Department of Assessment and Taxation

cc: Anette Spickard, Deputy Assessor
All A&T Employees