

**BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA  
ETHICS COMMISSION PROBABLE CAUSE REVIEW BOARD**

**IN RE:**

**William V. Ashley**

**CIC 2014-002**

**PROBABLE CAUSE ORDER**

On this date, the Probable Cause Review Board, having investigated and considered the allegations set forth in CIC 2014-002, unanimously finds that there is probable cause to believe that Respondent violated the provisions of the Ethics Act as follows:

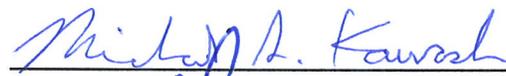
**Count One:**

The Respondent violated the West Virginia Ethics Act, in W.Va. Code § 6B-2-5(b), by using his eBay account to sell a generator and a Flygt submersible pump which were owned by his public employer, the Union Public Service District ("PSD"), and/or which he had access to through his public employment. The proceeds of the sale were distributed among certain employees rather than placed into the PSD's general fund. Respondent Ashley personally received \$1,800.00 from the sale of the generator and \$916.67 from the sale of the pump.

In accordance with West Virginia Code §6B-2-4(f), the Commission staff is hereby ORDERED to prepare a Statement of Charges and to schedule this matter for a public hearing to determine the truth or falsity of the charges.

April 23, 2015  
Date entered

  
James E. Shepherd, II, Chairperson  
Probable Cause Review Board

  
Michael A. Kawash, Member  
Probable Cause Review Board

  
Daniel J. Guida, Member  
Probable Cause Review Board