NOTICE OF RULE MAKING AND PUBLIC HEARING ARKANSAS ETHICS COMMISSION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Arkansas Ethics Commission intends to promulgate a set of Rules on Independent Expenditures and to amend its existing Rules on Ballot and Legislative Question Committees, Rules on Campaign Finance & Disclosure, Rules on Lobbyist Registration and Reporting, Rules on Political Committees, and Rules of Practice and Procedure. The proposed new set of rules is intended to implement and administer the provisions of Act 473 of 2009 and the amendments to the five (5) existing sets of rules are intended to bring them in conformity with the following Acts of 2009: 310, 340, 473, 963, and 1204, and to further implement and administer applicable provisions of the laws under the Commission's jurisdiction. Copies of the proposed new set of rules and the proposed amendments to the five (5) existing sets of rules may be obtained from the Commission which is located at 910 West Second Street, Suite 100, Little Rock, Arkansas, telephone (501) 324-9600.

Interested parties should forward written comments to Graham F. Sloan, Director, Post Office Box 1917, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1917, by 5:00 p.m. on August 20, 2009. The Commission will hold a public hearing on Friday, August 21, 2009, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission's office in Little Rock to consider the written submissions and receive oral comments on the proposed new set of rules and the proposed amendments to each of the five (5) existing sets of rules.