

BEFORE THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re TOM ERMOLOVICH,)	Financial Disclosure Appeal
)	No. FD 21-036
Appellant.)	Final Order No. XXX
_____)	

FINAL ORDER

This matter came before the Commission on Ethics, meeting in public session on April 24, 2026, on the appeal of Appellant, pursuant to Section 112.3145(8)(g), Florida Statutes (2021) (subsequently redesignated to Section 112.3145(8)(f), Florida Statutes (2025)). There are no matters in dispute. Appellant did not request a hearing before the Commission.

Financial disclosure in the form of an annual CE Form 1 Statement of Financial Interests is required of certain public officials and employees because it enables the public to evaluate potential conflicts of interest, deters corruption, and increases public confidence in government. Section 112.3145(8)(f) assesses an automatic fine of \$25 per day on a person who fails to timely file a required CE Form 1 Statement of Financial Interests. The Commission may waive the fine in whole or in part for good cause shown based on "unusual circumstances" contributing to the failure to file by the designated date. § 112.3145(8)(f)2.

Here, Appellant served as a Member of the Planning and Zoning Board for the City of Hypoluxo, a position requiring the filing of a 2020 CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, by the designated due date of July 1, 2021, with a grace period ending on September 1, 2021. §§

112.3145(2)(b), (8)(c), Fla. Stat. (2021). Appellant filed his 2020 CE Form 1 on February 8, 2026, 1,683 days late,¹ and has been assessed the maximum fine of \$1,500 (\$25 a day for 60 days late).

Appellant alleges he resigned from the Board and believed his resignation relieved him of his filing requirement; however, unbeknownst to him and without his approval, the Town Clerk made him an Alternate Planning Board Member. When he realized he had been appointed to the Board yet again, he again resigned. However, resigning from the Board in August of 2021 did not relieve Respondent of the 2020 CE Form 1 filing requirement.

Appellant further alleges he did not receive notice of his delinquency in filing because he was out of town for an extended period of time, from June 30, 2021, until September 1, 2021. The record supports Appellant's contention that he did not receive notice. The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections mailed his delinquency notice not later than August 1, 2021, but that was returned to sender as undeliverable on August 15, 2021. The Commission sent him a courtesy reminder postcard on August 20, 2021, but, that was returned as not deliverable as addressed on August 30, 2021.

Because there is no evidence to contradict Appellant's claim that he did not receive notice of his need to file the 2020 CE Form 1, it appears Appellant's basis for the appeal of the fine constitutes an "unusual circumstance" that justifies waiving the \$1500 fine. The Commission hereby waives the assessed fine of \$1500.

ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in public session on April 24, 2026.

Date Rendered

¹ The Commission did check with the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections to see if Appellant might have filed his 2020 CE Form 1 with their office prior to February 8, 2026, but they responded that they do not have a record of him submitting the form.

Jon M. Philipson
Chair, Florida Commission on Ethics

THIS ORDER CONSTITUTES FINAL AGENCY ACTION. ANY PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS ORDER HAS THE RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW UNDER SECTION 120.68, AND SECTION 112.3241, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY FILING A NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL PURSUANT TO RULE 9.110 FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE, WITH THE CLERK OF THE COMMISSION ON ETHICS, AT EITHER 325 JOHN KNOX ROAD, BUILDING E, SUITE 200, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303 OR P.O. DRAWER 15709, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32317-5709; AND BY FILING A COPY OF THE NOTICE OF APPEAL ATTACHED TO WHICH IS A CONFORMED COPY OF THE ORDER DESIGNATED IN THE NOTICE OF APPEAL ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPLICABLE FILING FEES WITH THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL. THE NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE THIS ORDER IS RENDERED.

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Thomas Ermolovich
107 Half Moon Cir. Apt. A2
Hypoluxo, FL 33462-5462

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325 John Knox Road Building E, Suite 200 Tallahassee, FL 32303 Telephone: (850) 488-7864 Fax: (850) 488-3077 Email: disclosure@leg.state.fl.us

APPEAL OF AUTOMATIC FINE FOR FORM YEAR 2020

DIRECTIONS: The information you provide in this form is critical for processing your appeal in a timely manner.

In Part A, please provide current contact information. If your contact information changes while your appeal is being processed, please notify us.

In Part B, please check any boxes that specify the general reason(s) for your appeal.

In Part C, please explain in detail the reason(s) for your appeal. In addition to your written explanation in Part C, you may attach any documents that support your appeal.

IMPORTANT: TO PRESERVE YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL, THIS FORM OR OTHER WRITTEN APPEAL (AND ANY ATTACHMENTS) MUST BE FILED WITH (RECEIVED BY) THE COMMISSION ON ETHICS WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DATE THE NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT OF AUTOMATIC FINE WAS MAILED TO YOU.

PLEASE SEND YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

Mailing Address: Commission on Ethics P.O. Drawer 15709 Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709

Physical Address: Commission on Ethics 325 John Knox Road Building E, Suite 200 Tallahassee, FL 32303

Fax: (850) 488-3077

Email: disclosure@leg.state.fl.us

PART A: YOUR INFORMATION

Name: THOMAS ERMOLOVICH Address: 107-A2 City: Hypoluxo State: FL Zip: 33467 Daytime Tel.: 781-608-6735 Cell: 781-608-6735 Email: TERMOLOVICH@GMAIL.COM Filer ID# (if known): Public Employer: RETIRED Public Position: PLANNING BOARD (FORMER MEMBER)

CONTINUED ON REVERSE SIDE

PART B: GENERAL REASON(S) FOR YOUR APPEAL

Please choose any/all reasons that apply to your appeal.

I hereby appeal the Notice of Assessment of Automatic Fine on the following basis:

- a. **Sickness or injury** (Explain in Part C and attach a statement from attending physician, including dates and nature of illness or injury)
- b. **Lack of notification – Failure to receive notice** (Explain in Part C and provide documentation that supports your assertion that you never received certified mail delinquency notice: for example, incorrect address; misdelivered mail; change in employment; extended absence from home, etc.)
- c. **Claim of timely filing of financial disclosure** (Explain in Part C and provide copy of certified mail receipt and/or copy of completed form which had been previously filed, along with a sworn notarized statement that you filed prior to the deadline)
- d. **Left public position prior to December 31, 2020** (Explain in Part C and provide confirmation from agency that your office-holding/employment ended before 12/31/2020)
- e. **Other unusual circumstance** (Explain in Part C and provide documentation explaining uncommon, rare, or sudden occurrence that prevented timely filing prior to deadline)
- f. **Not required to file** (Explain in Part C and provide documentation that supports reason for not required to file)

PART C: DETAILED EXPLANATION OF YOUR APPEAL

Please provide a detailed explanation of your appeal, including why each option you selected in Part B is applicable to you. You may use the space provided and/or attach additional pages.

See ATTACHED LETTER

OPTIONAL REQUEST FOR HEARING

In addition to this written appeal, I specifically request to appear before the Commission in a hearing pursuant to Section 112.3144(8)(f)3 or Section 112.3145(8)(g)3, Florida Statutes. Commission meetings occur in Tallahassee.

SIGNATURE

I have received and read the Notice of Assessment of Automatic Fine and its instructions on How to Appeal and I understand my options. I am requesting disposition of this matter as indicated.

10/31/23
DATE

DA. T. Thomas R. Escalvada
SIGNATURE

October 26, 2023

Dear Sirs,

I am still trying to understand the source of the misunderstanding and miscommunications that have resulted in your desire to issue me a fine.

Here are the brief facts as I know them.

1. I started out as an alternate member of the Town of Hypoluxo Planning Board.
2. I moved up to full-member of the Planning Board.
3. I signed and returned all of the old-style ethics forms.
4. When the new style, more comprehensive form came out, I resigned from the Board as I found the form intrusive to my personal privacy. I figured that my resignation would suffice and I was done with this issue.
5. Unknown to me, without my approval, the Town Clerk made me an Alternate Planning Board member. I would have never accepted this position as it would get me back to the same problem of my unwillingness to sign the new form.

I want your advice on how to resolve this situation.

Background:

The Town of Hypoluxo:

Hypoluxo is a tiny town of 2700 people in southeast Florida. The town is mostly virtual and has 3 or 4 employees. The land in Hypoluxo is 100% developed as such the Planning Board hasn't met since 2018. In many respects, the board is a more ceremonial requirement in case something comes up.

Tom Ermolovich's Situation

I am a 74-year-old retiree. I don't own any businesses nor do I have any business relationships. I have no attachments to the town of Hypoluxo other than owning a modest condo. My relationships with the community are through my church in Lantana and through volunteering as a Pastoral Care Volunteer at JFK Hospital in Atlantis.

I own a modest portfolio of stocks and bonds managed by a manager in Boston. He has no business relationships in Florida. To the best of my knowledge, the securities I own have nothing to do with the Town of Hypoluxo or their business relationships.

I certainly understand what the Ethics division is trying to accomplish as I taught business ethics at the graduate and undergraduate level at Northeastern University in Boston.

Please help me. I will cooperate and sign whatever form you need to resolve this situation.

Thanks in advance,

Regards

Dr. Thomas R. Ermolovich

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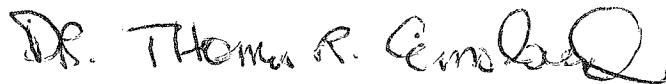
Dear Sirs,

I am writing this letter to supplement the letter I sent on October 26th, 2023. When I wrote that letter, Dixie Gualtieri, Hypoluxo Town Clerk was out of town. So, I did my best at that time to sort out what to me was a very confusing situation.

Since then, with much effort, Ms. Gualtieri has been able to sort through the town's records and contact your department to determine the facts of the situation.

1. When your final notice came to my home I was out of town. My mail was being stored until my return. I have attached my Google Calendar for that time period.
2. When I did return, I immediately sent you the form that got to your office. But I was 16 days late. **I am appealing the \$375 fine for the 2020 filing.**
3. I resigned from the Town Planning Board in August 2021. This eliminates the need for a form for 2021. I have attached Ms. Gualtieri's e-mail. **I am appealing any fine associated with the year 2021.**

Regards,



Dr. Thomas R. Ermolovich

Subject: RE: Picture of website

From: Dixie Gualtieri - To: termolovich@gmail.com - Cc: - Date: November 20, 2023 at 4:01 PM

E-MAIL FROM DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Tom,

CONFIRMING MY RESIGNATION FROM TOWN
PLANNING BOARD.

What the issue is – is that you filed your paperwork on September 16, 2022 which is 16 days past the September 1, 2022 deadline. The fine that they are assessing is \$25 for being those 16 days late. Remember this is for serving on Planning and Zoning through December 31, 2021.

According to my records, we sent out the notice to Planning and Zoning Board members in August of 2021 and I believe that is when you resigned. Therefore you were required to submit the paperwork for the prior year, which you did do; however, it was those 16 days that were late.

According to the State, you are not serving on the Planning and Zoning Board. Can you confirm for me that you resigned prior to August 2021?

Dixie Gualtieri, CMC

Deputy Town Clerk

Town of Hypoluxo

7580 S. Federal Highway

Hypoluxo, Fl. 33462

(561-582-0155)

Alert! Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from the Town of Hypoluxo officials and employees are public records available to the public or media upon request. Your e-mail communications may be subject to public disclosure.

Under Florida law, e-mail addresses are public records. If you do not want your e-mail address released in response to a public records request, do not send electronic

From: Tom Ermolovich <termolovich@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 20, 2023 8:16 AM

To: Dixie Gualtieri <dgualtieri@hypoluxo.org>

Subject: Re: Picture of website

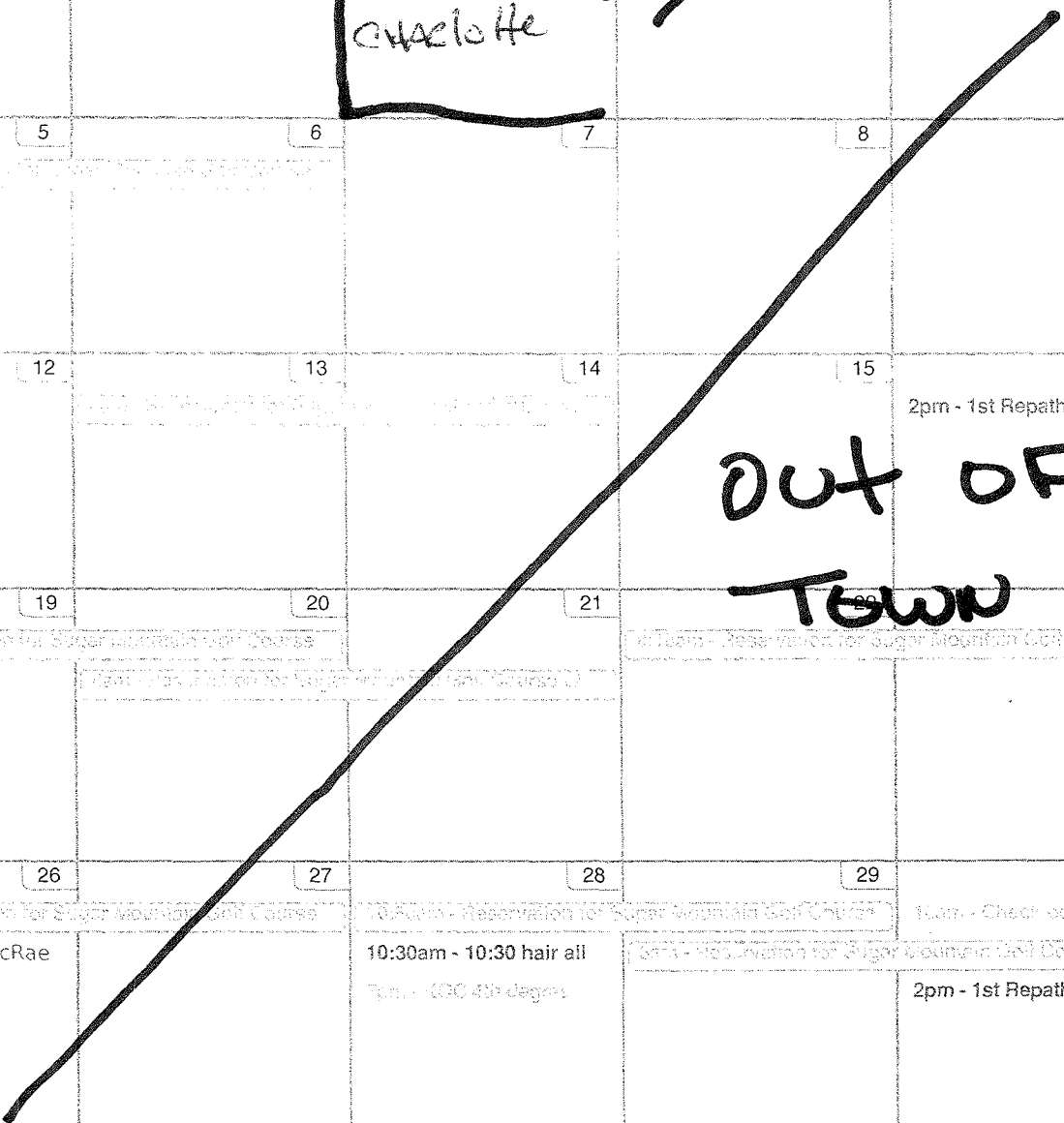
Calendar to prove I was out of town

Printed by: [unclear]

Elaine Ermolovich, Holidays in United States

Jul 2021 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 Colonoscopy JFK time	28	29 2:00pm - 2:00 pm Dr. Furian 3:00pm - Dr. King 5:30pm - 5:30-6:00	30 JUL 30, 2021 DRIVE to Charlotte	1 2pm - 1st Repatha shot	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 2pm - Tour of Oz	12	13	14	15	16 2pm - 1st Repatha shot	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 2pm - Lee's McRae	26 4:30pm - Lee's McRae	27	28 10:30am - 10:30 hair all Rain - 600-400 degrees	29	30 2pm - 1st Repatha shot	31



OUT OF TOWN

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8am - Washin Watch	2 8:30am - Flight to Boston	3	4 8am - Washin Watch 9am - Washin Watch	5 Tom & Fran	6	7 Lunch
8 Lunch - Repatha	9 8am - Washin Watch 9am - Washin Watch	10	11	12	13 2pm - 1st Repatha shot 3:30pm - Phot Club 7pm - Book club	14
15	16 8am - Washin Watch 9am - Washin Watch 8:30am - Ferry	17	18	19	20	21
22 1pm - Washin Watch	23 8am - Washin Watch	24	25 8am - Washin Watch 9am - Washin Watch	26	27 2pm - 1st Repatha shot	28
29 8am - Washin Watch	30 8am - Washin Watch	31 8am - Washin Watch	1 8:45am - Washin Watch 9:00am - Washin Watch	2	3 8:45am - Washin Watch 9:00am - Washin Watch	4

OUT OF TOWN

Sept 1, 2021
Return to Hypoluxo

Novenario, Stephanie

From: Tom Ermolovich <termolovich@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 7, 2026 9:58 AM
To: Novenario, Stephanie
Subject: Re: Your Financial Disclosure Fine Appeals
Attachments: Hypoluxo letter.docx

Hi Stephanie,

We will need to talk on the phone to figure out how to resolve this. Can we talk on Monday at 3 or 4 PM?

Yes, I did resign twice. First, from a position that I agreed to take and then from a position that I never agreed to. After I resigned from the Planning Board, the clerk then appointed me as an alternate without my consent. So, I had to resign again.

The problem here is exacerbated by the antiquated system of keeping records in the Town of Hypoluxo.

I have attached the letter that was sent to the Town and I believe sent to the State.

Regards,

Tom

On Feb 6, 2026, at 4:45 PM, Novenario, Stephanie
<NOVENARIO.STEPHANIE@leg.state.fl.us> wrote:

Hi Mr. Ermolovich,

I'm Stephanie Novenario, an attorney with the Commission on Ethics. I am reviewing your Financial Disclosure appeals from fines resulting in your failure to timely file the 2020 CE Form 1 and 2021 CE Form 1. I'm wondering if you can clarify a few things for me.

1. In your appeal from your failure to timely file the 2020 CE Form 1, you note that you resigned from the Planning and Zoning Board from the City of Hypoluxo in an attempt to avoid having to complete the 2020 CE Form 1. However, you do not indicate when you resigned. In your appeal from your failure to timely file the 2021 CE Form 1, you indicate you resigned in August of 2021. Was August of 2021 the only time you resigned from the Planning and Zoning Board?
2. I noticed that you have filed a 2021 CE Form 1, but did not file a 2020 CE Form 1. I wanted to provide you with a blank 2020 CE Form 1 (attached) for you to have an opportunity to

complete that form. If you do choose to complete the 2020 CE Form 1, please do so and e-mail it to me by Friday, February 13, to ensure that it can be considered by the Commission along with your appeal.

Thank you!

Stephanie Novenario

Staff Attorney

Florida Commission on Ethics

850.488.7864 | 850.488.3077 (fax)

novenario.stephanie@leg.state.fl.us

<Form 1_2020i (3).pdf>

FORM 1

**STATEMENT OF
FINANCIAL INTERESTS**

2020

Please print or type your name, mailing address, agency name, and position below:

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

LAST NAME -- FIRST NAME -- MIDDLE NAME :

ERMOLOVICH, THOMAS ROBERT

MAILING ADDRESS :

107 HALF MOON CIRCLE

APT-AZ

CITY : ZIP : COUNTY :

HYPOLUKO, FL 33462 PALM BEACH

NAME OF AGENCY :

Town of Hypoluxo

NAME OF OFFICE OR POSITION HELD OR SOUGHT :

PLANNING BOARD, Town of Hypoluxo

CHECK ONLY IF CANDIDATE OR NEW EMPLOYEE OR APPOINTEE

****** THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED ******

DISCLOSURE PERIOD:

THIS STATEMENT REFLECTS YOUR FINANCIAL INTERESTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020.

MANNER OF CALCULATING REPORTABLE INTERESTS:

FILERS HAVE THE OPTION OF USING REPORTING THRESHOLDS THAT ARE ABSOLUTE DOLLAR VALUES, WHICH REQUIRES FEWER CALCULATIONS, OR USING COMPARATIVE THRESHOLDS, WHICH ARE USUALLY BASED ON PERCENTAGE VALUES (see instructions for further details). CHECK THE ONE YOU ARE USING (must check one):

COMPARATIVE (PERCENTAGE) THRESHOLDS OR DOLLAR VALUE THRESHOLDS

PART A -- PRIMARY SOURCES OF INCOME [Major sources of income to the reporting person - See instructions]

(If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF SOURCE OF INCOME	SOURCE'S ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION OF THE SOURCE'S PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY
NONE		

PART B -- SECONDARY SOURCES OF INCOME

[Major customers, clients, and other sources of income to businesses owned by the reporting person - See instructions]

(If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY	NAME OF MAJOR SOURCES OF BUSINESS' INCOME	ADDRESS OF SOURCE	PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY OF SOURCE
NONE			

PART C -- REAL PROPERTY [Land, buildings owned by the reporting person - See instructions]

(If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

NONE

You are not limited to the space on the lines on this form. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS for when and where to file this form are located at the bottom of page 2.

INSTRUCTIONS on who must file this form and how to fill it out begin on page 3.

PART D — INTANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY [Stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, etc. - See instructions]
 (If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

TYPE OF INTANGIBLE	BUSINESS ENTITY TO WHICH THE PROPERTY RELATES
STOCKS, ANNUITY	THOMAS ERMOLOVICH
BONDS, CDS	THOMAS ERMOLOVICH

PART E — LIABILITIES [Major debts - See instructions]
 (If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF CREDITOR	ADDRESS OF CREDITOR
NONE	

PART F — INTERESTS IN SPECIFIED BUSINESSES [Ownership or positions in certain types of businesses - See instructions]
 (If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY	BUSINESS ENTITY # 1	BUSINESS ENTITY # 2
	ADDRESS OF BUSINESS ENTITY	NONE
PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY		
POSITION HELD WITH ENTITY		
I OWN MORE THAN A 5% INTEREST IN THE BUSINESS		
NATURE OF MY OWNERSHIP INTEREST		

PART G — TRAINING For elected municipal officers, appointed school superintendents, and commissioners of a community redevelopment agency created under Part III, Chapter 163 required to complete annual ethics training pursuant to section 112.3142, F.S.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE COMPLETED THE REQUIRED TRAINING.

IF ANY OF PARTS A THROUGH G ARE CONTINUED ON A SEPARATE SHEET, PLEASE CHECK HERE

SIGNATURE OF FILER:

Signature:

Thomas Robert Ermolovich

Date Signed:

2-8-26

CPA or ATTORNEY SIGNATURE ONLY

If a certified public accountant licensed under Chapter 473, or attorney in good standing with the Florida Bar prepared this form for you, he or she must complete the following statement:

I, _____, prepared the CE Form 1 in accordance with Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes, and the instructions to the form. Upon my reasonable knowledge and belief, the disclosure herein is true and correct.

CPA/Attorney Signature: _____

Date Signed: _____

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

If you were mailed the form by the Commission on Ethics or a County Supervisor of Elections for your annual disclosure filing, return the form to that location. To determine what category your position falls under, see page 3 of instructions.

Local officers/employees file with the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which they permanently reside. (If you do not permanently reside in Florida, file with the Supervisor of the county where your agency has its headquarters.) Form 1 filers who file with the Supervisor of Elections may file by mail or email. Contact your Supervisor of Elections for the mailing address or email address to use. Do not email your form to the Commission on Ethics, it will be returned.

State officers or specified state employees who file with the Commission on Ethics may file by mail or email. To file by mail, send the completed form to P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709; physical address: 325 John Knox Rd, Bldg E, Ste 200, Tallahassee, FL 32303. To file with the Commission by email, scan your completed form and any attachments as a pdf (do not use any other format), send it to CEForm1@leg.state.fl.us and retain a copy for your records. Do not file by both mail and email. Choose only one filing method. Form 6s will not be accepted via email.

Candidates file this form together with their filing papers.

MULTIPLE FILING UNNECESSARY: A candidate who files a Form 1 with a qualifying officer is not required to file with the Commission or Supervisor of Elections.

WHEN TO FILE: Initially, each local officer/employee, state officer, and specified state employee must file **within 30 days** of the date of his or her appointment or of the beginning of employment. Appointees who must be confirmed by the Senate must file prior to confirmation, even if that is less than 30 days from the date of their appointment.

Candidates must file at the same time they file their qualifying papers.

Thereafter, file by July 1 following each calendar year in which they hold their positions.

Finally, file a final disclosure form (Form 1F) within 60 days of leaving office or employment. Filing a CE Form 1F (Final Statement of Financial Interests) does not relieve the filer of filing a CE Form 1 if the filer was in his or her position on December 31, 2020.

**BEFORE THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

In re **Tom Ermolovich**
Alternate Member
Planning & Zoning Board
Hypoluxo

PID#: 277570

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT OF AUTOMATIC FINE

The Commission on Ethics hereby gives notice of an assessment of a fine against you pursuant to Section 112.3145(8)(g), Florida Statutes, due to your failure to timely file your 2020 CE Form 1, Statement Of Financial Interests. Under the law, your 2020 CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, was due by July 1, 2021. The law provided for a penalty-free grace period extending the due date to September 1, 2021. After that date, you accrued fines of \$25.00 per day for each day your financial disclosure was late, up to the maximum fine of \$1,500.00 (60 days late), pursuant to Section 112.3145(8)(g), Florida Statutes.

Inasmuch as your 2020 CE Form 1 has not been filed with the Supervisor of Elections for Palm Beach County within the 60 days of the grace period date (September 1, 2021), you have accrued the maximum fine amount of \$1,500.00. This fine must be paid to the Commission on Ethics within 30 days of the date of this notice unless you appeal the fine to the Commission. The Commission has the authority to consider the appeal and waive the fine in whole or in part if your failure to file on time was due to "unusual circumstances" surrounding the failure to file. Unless the fine is successfully appealed, the Commission is required to investigate public officers and employees who receive the maximum \$1,500 fine, to determine whether their failure to file was willful. The penalty for willfully failing to file disclosure is removal from public office or employment.

HOW TO APPEAL

1. Read these instructions carefully before submitting your appeal.
2. **LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Appeals are governed by Section 112.3145(8)(g)3., Florida Statutes, and Commission Rule 34-8.215, Florida Administrative Code.
3. **FORMAT:** Your appeal must be in writing and mailed to Florida Commission on Ethics, P. O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709, or delivered to Florida Commission on Ethics, 325 John Knox Road, Building E, Suite 200, Tallahassee, FL 32303. The appeal may take the form of a letter or you may use the appeal form included in this mailing. The appeal form also is available at the Commission's website: www.ethics.state.fl.us. Click on "Financial Disclosure" and then the link to the sample appeal form.
4. **DUE DATE:** Your appeal must be received by the Commission on Ethics on or before **November 8, 2023**. **NOTE:** Failure to timely file an appeal will constitute a waiver of your right to appeal and will result in the entry of a default order against you.
5. **UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:** An appeal must demonstrate that you submitted your CE Form 1 after the extended due date because of "unusual circumstances." "Unusual circumstances" is defined in Commission Rule 34-8.215(4), Florida Administrative Code, as "uncommon, rare, or sudden events over which the reporting individual had no control and which directly result in the failure to act in accordance with the filing requirements." Therefore, circumstances that allowed for time to take steps necessary to file on time do not constitute "unusual circumstances" that will allow the Commission to waive the fine. You have the burden to establish "unusual circumstances." Your appeal must specifically state the circumstances that led to your not filing by September 1, 2021, and must include any documentation or evidence supporting your appeal, such as:
 - a. **SICKNESS/INJURY:** a statement from attending physician, including dates and nature of the illness or injury;
 - b. **LACK OF NOTICE (WRONG ADDRESS):** documentation that you did not reside at the address to which notice was sent;

- c. **LACK OF NOTICE (ABSENCE FROM HOME):** documentation establishing the period of time of your absence covering the notification period;
 - d. **CLAIM OF TIMELY FILING OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE:** (1) an affidavit from you attesting under oath or affirmation that you filed your financial disclosure and your recollection of when and how you filed and (2) a copy of a certified mail receipt and/or a copy of the completed form which was filed. If you have witnesses to your filing, we also will need an affidavit from each witness. NOTE: A claim of having filed the CE Form 1F for the current year does not satisfy the CE Form 1 filing requirement or excuse a late filing;
 - e. **LEFT PUBLIC POSITION BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2020:** confirmation of your last date of office or employment by your former agency, showing the last date to be before December 31, 2020; or
 - f. **UNCLAIMED CERTIFIED MAIL:** if delinquency notice was addressed correctly but not received, you must explain why.
6. **YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING:** You have the right to have your appeal heard by the Commission and to appear before the Commission at the hearing, but, to exercise this right, you must specifically request a hearing in your appeal. If you do not request a hearing, you will waive your right to a hearing, the Commission will determine the outcome of your appeal based upon the written record (including the documentation you provide and any documentation in your case file), and you will receive no further notice until after the Commission decides your appeal.

FAILURE TO PAY FINE OR FILE APPEAL WITHIN 30 DAYS

If you do not timely file an appeal or pay the assessed fine within 30 days of this Notice, a default order will be entered against you and the Commission will take the steps provided by law to collect the fine, including:

- Referral to the CFO of the Department of Financial Services, if you are a salaried state officer or employee, for withholding of a portion of your salary until the fine is satisfied; or
- Referral to your agency's governing body for withholding of a portion of your salary until the fine is satisfied;
- Referral to a collection agency, which can seek garnishment of your wages; and/or
- An additional civil penalty, not limited by this automatic fine, may be imposed if your disclosure statement is filed more than 60 days late and a complaint is filed against you pursuant to Section 112.324, Florida Statutes.

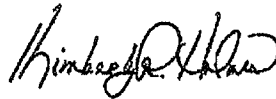
Please contact our office if you have any questions about this matter.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Assessment of Automatic Fine was furnished to:

**Mr Tom Ermolovich
107 Half Moon Cir Apt A2
Hypoluxo, FL 33462 -5462**

by Certified Mail on this Monday, October 09, 2023.



KIMBERLY R. HOLMES
Program Administrator

Florida Commission on Ethics
P. O. Drawer 15709
Tallahassee, FL 32317-5709

-or-

Florida Commission on Ethics
325 John Knox Road, Building E, Ste. 200
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tel.: (850) 488-7864
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Mr Tom Ermolovich
Alternate Member
Hypoluxo
Planning & Zoning Board
107 Half Moon Cir Apt A2
Hypoluxo FL 33462 -5462



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Ermolovich Tom

CHECK ONLY IF [] CANDIDATE OR [] NEW EMPLOYEE OR APPOINTEE

**** THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED ****

DISCLOSURE PERIOD:

THIS STATEMENT REFLECTS YOUR FINANCIAL INTERESTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020.

MANNER OF CALCULATING REPORTABLE INTERESTS:

FILERS HAVE THE OPTION OF USING REPORTING THRESHOLDS THAT ARE ABSOLUTE DOLLAR VALUES, WHICH REQUIRES FEWER CALCULATIONS, OR USING COMPARATIVE THRESHOLDS, WHICH ARE USUALLY BASED ON PERCENTAGE VALUES (see instructions for further details). CHECK THE ONE YOU ARE USING (must check one):

[] COMPARATIVE (PERCENTAGE) THRESHOLDS OR [] DOLLAR VALUE THRESHOLDS

PART A -- PRIMARY SOURCES OF INCOME [Major sources of income to the reporting person - See instructions] (If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

Table with 3 columns: NAME OF SOURCE OF INCOME, SOURCE'S ADDRESS, DESCRIPTION OF THE SOURCE'S PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY

PART B -- SECONDARY SOURCES OF INCOME [Major customers, clients, and other sources of income to businesses owned by the reporting person - See instructions] (If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

Table with 4 columns: NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY, NAME OF MAJOR SOURCES OF BUSINESS' INCOME, ADDRESS OF SOURCE, PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY OF SOURCE

PART C -- REAL PROPERTY [Land, buildings owned by the reporting person - See instructions] (If you have nothing to report, write "none" or "n/a")

Table with 1 column for listing real property

You are not limited to the space on the lines on this form. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS for when and where to file this form are located at the bottom of page 2.

INSTRUCTIONS on who must file this form and how to fill it out begin on page 3.



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COMMISSION ON ETHICS
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TALLAHASSEE, FL 32317-5709



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RETURN RECEIPT (ELECTRONIC)

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TOM ERMOLOVICH
107 HALF MOON CIR APT A2
HYPOLUXO, FL 33462-5462

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URGENT - Open Immediately!

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Zone 4

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6"x9" ENVELOPE
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**Florida Commission on Ethics
Financial Disclosure Notification System
Delinquency Certification (2021)**

I Wendy Sartory Link, the Supervisor of Elections of Palm Beach County, hereby certify that each person whose ID number, name, agency, and position appears above or on the attached list:

(1) was sent a notice of the July 1, 2021 financial disclosure deadline and a blank Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, not later than June 1, 2021;

(2) was determined to be delinquent in filing a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, by July 1, 2021;

(3) was sent a delinquency notice by certified mail not later than August 1, 2021 advising him or her of the grace period in effect until September 1, 2021; and of the penalties that could be imposed as provided in Section 112.3145(8)(c), Florida Statutes; and

(4) did not file a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, until the date shown or, had not filed a Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests by October 31, 2021; and further

(5) that the date of filing shown is based upon the earliest of the following:
(a) when the Form 1 was actually received by my office;
(b) when the Form 1 was postmarked;
(c) when the certificate of mailing (if any) was dated; or
(d) when the receipt (if any) from an established courier company was dated.

Signed



SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Financial Disclosures

From: Financial Disclosures
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 9:46 AM
To: Dixie Gualtieri
Subject: RE: Tom Ermolovich Form 1

Perfect! We sent it certified to the Half Moon Circle address and it was returned to our office by the post office.

From: Dixie Gualtieri <dgualtieri@hypoluxo.org>
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 9:33 AM
To: Financial Disclosures <financialdisclosures@votepalmbeach.gov>
Subject: [Warning - External Email |>] RE: Tom Ermolovich Form 1

Caution: This is an external email. Please be careful when clicking links or opening attachments. Think before you click! When in doubt, just contact your IT Department.

Sure, I will also send it out by regular mail too.

*Dixie Gualtieri, CMC
Deputy Town Clerk*

*Town of Hypoluxo
7580 S. Federal Highway
Hypoluxo, Fl. 33462
(561-582-0155)*

Alert! Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from the Town of Hypoluxo officials and employees are public records available to the public or media upon request. Your e-mail communications may be subject to public disclosure.

Under Florida law, e-mail addresses are public records. If you do not want your e-mail address released in response to a public records request, do not send electronic

From: Financial Disclosures <financialdisclosures@votepalmbeach.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 9:31 AM
To: Hypoluxo <hypoluxo@hypoluxo.org>
Subject: Tom Ermolovich Form 1

Good morning, Dixie,

Can you contact Tom to let him know that his Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests is due by September 1, 2021. The mail that our office sent to him has been returned. I have attached a form 1 to this email for your convenience.

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Sent To Ermolovich Tom

Street a Hypoluxo Planning & Zoning Board

City, Sta 107 Half Moon Cir Apt A2

City, Sta Hypoluxo, FL 33462



Financial Disclosure Management System
THE FLORIDA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

Filer - Fines and Appeals - PID 277570 - Mr Tom Ermolovich

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Status

Filing: INACTIVE
Fine: No Fine

Flags

Public Address
Filing Extensions
Indefinite: None
Temporary: None
Eligible for Fines

Add a New Filer

The filer has fines for: [2022 \(Appeal\)](#) [2021 \(Appeal\)](#) [view all](#)

2021 Fines and Appeals

Form Year 2020 Filed Forms

No Forms Received for this Filer for Form Year 2020.

2021 Fine Information

[Update Fine Information](#)
[Assign Agency Contact](#)

Fine Balance	Fine Status	Fine Date	Original Assessment	Fine Amount	Last Payment Date	Payment Plan Start Date	Payment Plan Amount
\$1,500.00	Appeal	10/9/2023	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00			

Fine Address 107 Half Moon Cir Apt A2 Hypoluxo FL 33462-5462
Org/Suborg Hypoluxo-Planning & Zoning Board

2021 Fine Payment History

Date Posted	Description	Amount	Method	Payment ID	Comments
10/9/2023	Fine Levied	+ \$1,500.00			Fined \$1500.00

Current Balance: \$1,500.00

2021 Fine Year Event

[Invalidate Transaction](#)

Chronology

Date	Type	Description	Reference
08/20/2021	Postcard Sent	Courtesy Postcard Reminder	Print Queue: 8/20/2021 Printing Confirmed: 8/20/2021

2021 Fine Appeal —
FD 21-036

[Update Appeal](#)

[Withdraw Appeal](#)

[Assign Attorney](#)

[Request More Info](#)

[Record Appeal Outcome](#)

Appeal Status: Active No Hearing Requested

Appeal Receipt

Date: 11/02/2023

Timely Filed: Yes

Print Appeal Letter:

Yes

Hearing Requested:

No

Appeal Reason: Left

Public Position

Appeal Notes:

Appeal Number: FD

21-036

Appeal Analyst

Assigned:

Final Order Number:

Final Order Date: