Dear Mr. Shaub:

In accordance with the provisions of Title I of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended, I am forwarding the financial disclosure report of Stephen Elliott Boyd. President Trump has nominated Mr. Boyd to serve as Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice.

We have conducted a thorough review of the enclosed report. The conflict of interest statute, 18 U.S.C. § 208, requires that Mr. Boyd recuse himself from participating personally and substantially in any particular matter in which he knows that he has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which he knows that a person whose interests are imputed to him has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless he first obtains a written waiver, pursuant to Section 208(b)(1), or qualifies for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to Section 208(b)(2). Mr. Boyd understands that the interests of the following persons are imputed to him: his spouse; minor children; any general partner of a partnership in which he is a limited or general partner; any organization in which he serves as an officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which he is negotiating or has an arrangement concerning prospective employment. In determining whether a particular matter has a direct and predictable effect on his financial interests or on those of any other person whose interests are imputed to him, Mr. Boyd will consult with Department of Justice ethics officials.

Mr. Boyd’s spouse is currently employed with the law firm of Baker Botts LLP in a position for which she receives a fixed annual salary and a bonus tied to her performance. For as long as his spouse continues to work for Baker Botts LLP, he will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter involving specific parties in which he knows Baker Botts LLP is a party or represents a party, unless he is first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).
If Mr. Boyd has a managed account or otherwise uses the services of an investment professional during his appointment, he will ensure that the account manager or investment professional obtains his prior approval on a case-by-case basis for the purchase of any assets other than cash, cash equivalents, investment funds that qualify for the exemption at 5 C.F.R. § 2640.201(a), obligations of the United States, or municipal bonds.

He will meet in person with Department ethics officials during the first week of his service in the position of Assistant Attorney General in order to complete the initial ethics briefing required under 5 C.F.R. § 2638.305. Within 90 days of his confirmation, he will document his compliance with this ethics agreement by notifying Department ethics officials in writing when he has completed the steps described in this ethics agreement.

My Boyd understands that as an appointee he must continue to abide by the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) that he previously signed and that he will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments he has made in this ethics agreement.

Mr. Boyd has been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. § 552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with ethics agreements of other Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Based on the above agreements and counseling, I am satisfied that the report presents no conflicts of interest under applicable laws and regulations and that you can so certify to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Sincerely,

Lee J. Lothius
Assistant Attorney General
  For Administration and
  Designated Agency Ethics Official

Enclosure
I have read the attached Ethics Agreement signed by Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General and Designated Agency Ethics Official, on April 2, 2017 and I agree to comply with the conflict of interest statute and regulations, and to follow the procedures set forth in the agreement. In addition, I understand that as an appointee I must continue to abide by the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) that I previously signed and that I will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments I have made in this ethics agreement.

[Signature]

Stephen Elliott Boyd

26 April 2017

Date