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 Rod J. Rosenstein. President Trump has nominated Mr. Rosenstein to serve as Deputy Attorney General of the United States.

We have conducted a thorough review of the enclosed report. The conflict of interest statute, 18 U.S.C. § 208, requires that Mr. Rosenstein 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. Rosenstein 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. Rosenstein will consult with Department of Justice ethics officials.

Within 90 days of confirmation, Mr. Rosenstein will divest his interests in the Fidelity Select Medical Equipment and Systems Fund. He will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter that to his knowledge has a direct and predictable effect on the financial interests of this entity until he has divested it, unless he first obtains a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualifies for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2).

He understands that he may be eligible to request a Certificate of Divestiture for qualifying assets and that a Certificate of Divestiture is effective only if obtained prior to divestiture. Regardless of whether he receives a Certificate of Divestiture, he will ensure that all divestitures discussed in this agreement occur within the agreed upon timeframes and that all proceeds are invested in non-conflicting assets.
Mr. Rosenstein 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.

Finally, Mr. Rosenstein understands that as an appointee he must sign the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) and that he will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments he has made in this ethics agreement.

He will meet in person with Department ethics officials during the first week of his service in the position of Deputy 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.

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. Lofthus
Assistant Attorney General
For Administration and
Alternate Designated Agency Ethics Official

Enclosure
NOMINEE STATEMENT

I have read the attached Ethics Agreement signed by Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General and Designated Agency Ethics Official, on February 13, 2017 and I agree to comply with the conflict of interest statute and regulations, and to follow the procedures set forth in the agreement. I understand that as an appointee I will be required to sign the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13770) and that I will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments I have made in this ethics agreement.

Rod J. Rosenstein

2/13/17

Date