

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION
BOARD OF ETHICS

COMPLAINT NO: C-21-03

SUMMARY OF DECISION

On or about February 11, 2021, the Board of Ethics (Board) filed a Complaint alleging that a Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) employee (hereinafter “Respondent”) working in the Regulatory Services Division had violated the WSSC Code of Ethics (hereinafter “Code”). The Board held a hearing on the Complaint on October 6, 2021.

After considering evidence and argument, the Board, on December 30, 2021, issued an opinion holding that the Respondent had violated Section 1.70.200(c) of the Code by failing to reassign a subordinate inspector on all occasions when the inspector was prohibited from conducting the inspection per Section 1.70.170(a)(2) of the Code. The Board emphasized that, as the supervisor, Respondent had a responsibility to help ensure that the subordinate inspector adhered to the Code.

Pursuant to Section 1.70.090(c)(3) of the Code of Ethics, the Board recommended that the Respondent serve a period of suspension of not less than three (3) days and no more than five (5) days.