

## **State Code of Ethics**

The General Statutes of the State of Connecticut make provisions for preventing a State employee from using his/her public position or confidential information gained in State service for personal financial benefit. In accordance with C.G.S. 1-84(i), a State employee and his/her immediate family are prohibited from entering into contracts with the State with a value of \$100 or more unless the contract has been awarded through an open and public process (bidding satisfies the requirement; compliance could take the form of placing an advertisement on the web site). PSAs are contracts covered by this statute.

State employees may not use PSAs for the purpose of contracting with a relative (father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, wife, husband, grandparent, father-in-law, mother-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister or domestic partner). Such action may be in violation of the State Code of Ethics and may be subject to an investigation.

PSAs may not be used to contract with any individual, corporation or other business entity in which the requester may have a financial interest.