COMPLAINT FORM

- All complaints must be made in writing. Completion of this form is not required, but this form is designed to assist you in providing the required information. For more information please refer to the Ethics Board Policy Manual and Madison General Ordinance Section 3.35. For additional information, contact The Office of the City Attorney at (608) 266-4511. The Ethics Board Policy Manual is available on the Office of the City Attorney's website.
- Complaints shall be directed to the attention of the Ethics Board at the City of Madison, c/o City Attorney's Office, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, Room 401 City-County Building, Madison, WI 53703.
- 3. The complaint shall be made under oath and may be made on information and belief.1

COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

YOUR NAME		······································		•	
Terrence R. Wall					
ADDRESS					
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SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT

Michelle Drea		•				
ADDRESS (IF KNOWN) City-County Building 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd #101						
Madison	STATE VVI	^{ziP} 53703				
POSITION/OCCUPATION WITH THE CITY Chief City Assessor	PHONE (IF KNOWN) 608-266-4	PHONE (IF KNOWN) 608-266-4545				

The purpose of the Ethics Board is to see that the Code of Ethics as outlined in Section 3.35 of the Madison General Ordinances is uniformly applied to all City of Madison employees and officials. The areas of responsibility include, but are not limited to: (a) Fair and Equal Treatment, (b) Conflict of Interest, (c) Incompatible Employment, (d) Disclosure of Confidential Information, (e) Gifts and Favors, (f) Politic & Activity, (g) Campaign Contributions, (h) Disclosure of Economic Interests, and (i) Real Estate Disclosure.

NATURE OF COMPLAINT²

SECTION VIOLATED

(e) Gifts and Favors

City Assessor Michelle Drea was witnessed distributing candy bars to members of the Board of Review. By doing this action she unintentionally (but most likely intentionally) influenced the members of the Board of Review to support her side.

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¹ "Information and Belief" means that, while you may not have firsthand knowledge, you are willing to swear under oath that you have a firm belief that it is true.

² The "Nature of the Complaint" is a short general statement of the alleged breach of ethics. For example, a statement related to a violation of the above-listed areas of responsibility: (a) Fair and Equal Treatment, (b) Conflict of Interest, (c) Incompatible Employment, (d) Disclosure of Confidential Information, (e) Gifts and Favors, (f) Politic a Activity, (g) Campaign Contributions, (h) Disclosure of Economic Interests, and (i) Real Estate Disclosure, is appropriate.

FACTS

The facts constituting the alleged breach of ethics must be set forth in detail with clearness and certainty. Please reference specific sections within Madison General Ordinance Section 3.35 which you believe to have been violated. Attach additional sheets as required.

On October 13th at approximately 1:25 to 1:30 pm as we were entering the Board of Review in the large conference room in the Municipal building, we observed Chief Assessor Michelle Drea handing out gifts (Kind Bars?) to the members of the Board of Review.

She did this immediately before the Board was to consider our objection to the assessments on two properties.

Is it not illegal and a violation of ethics for members of a public body to receive gifts and for the head of a department to be giving out gifts, no matter how small, to the public officials?

I ask the ethics commission to investigate and ask the commission to issue a written reprimand to Drea and a written reminder to the members of the Board of Review that they are not to accept any gifts of any kind. And then to let us know what action was taken.

The undersigned, under oath, states that he or she has read the foregoing complaint and that the information contained in it is true and correct based on his or her personal knowledge, except for those matters alleged on information and belief and as to those matters, the undersigned believes them to be true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn before me

7th day of Nov

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires (is permanent)

FREDERICK TAYLOR BRENGEL Notary Public State of Wisconsin