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ETHICS SECRETS OF THE ANCIENTS: *UNEARTHED!*

Huge breakthrough! Archeologists from the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board have unearthed a stone tablet alleged to contain ancient secrets of how to work for the City of New York while *simultaneously* holding a position with a firm that does business with the City!

Of course, modern ethics scholars know Chapter 68 of the New York City Charter says this is impossible. So what did the ancients know that we don't? How can a City employee hold an otherwise *clearly prohibited position*? Look closely:



Board Staff have been working around the clock to decode this message; now we are putting a call out to the public. If you can decipher the following code and unlock the secret to working a second job while still employed by the City, please email us at Con-test@coib.nyc.gov and share your findings!

The lucky winner will have their name featured in the Public Service Puzzler, like Lorell Smith from the Department of Buildings, who correctly responded with “DISCLOSE” and

“\$50.00” and became our July winner! This month’s winner? Well, why not *you*?