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MATCH GAME



Link up the terms from Chapter 68 with their definitions (some of which we have simplified to plainer language). There will be one term left over.

Submit that term — and its proper definition — to contest@coib.nyc.gov by Wednesday, May 19th. One of the correct entrants will be selected at random to be featured in next month's issue.

Terms

- Appear
- Associated Party
- Elected Official
- Interest
- Position
- Public Servant
- Regular Employee

Definitions

- All officials, officers, and employees of the City, including community board members.
- Mayor, Comptroller, Public Advocate, Borough President, or Council Member.
- A close family member (child, spouse/domestic partner, parent, sibling) or a person or firm with whom you have a business or financial relationship.
- To make any communication, for compensation, other than those involving ministerial matters.
- Elected officials and public servants whose primary employment is with the City, but not members of advisory committees or community board members.
- Owning a five percent or \$50K [originally \$25K] investment in a firm, or working for a firm.

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SAINT IS BEHAVIN' WINNER



We asked for nominations for a Patron Saint of Government Ethics, and in our opinion the best suggestion was Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States, self-taught attorney, and hat-and-beard style icon.

Lincoln personifies the values of Chapter 68 in that he dedicated his life to government service, often putting personal disagreements <u>aside</u> to advance the cause of good government. He also recognized the value of mercy and discretion in the name of justice, <u>granting hundreds of pardons</u> both to soldiers who would otherwise have been executed for desertion and to Sioux who had

been convicted without a proper trial. Plus the whole "saving the union" thing.

It's hard to top "Honest Abe," our new unofficial Patron Saint of Government Ethics.

Read on to learn about Mary Lane, who nominated him.

MEET MARY LANE



What is your City/office title? Computer Systems Manager, Department of Finance.

What do you do in your job? I work as a Business Analyst.

How long have you been working for the City? Since August 2006.

Name a special interest or hobby (and why you enjoy it). I love to crochet and became a certified crochet instructor which I even taught during lunch hour on Wednesdays in the office where we worked on

blankets to donate to the non-profit, Project Linus.

A fun fact about you someone wouldn't know just by looking: When I was in the Girl Scouts in High School, I camped on the Observation Deck of the Empire State Building.

What's your favorite part of City service? Meeting people from various divisions within Finance and other City agencies and learning about their jobs so we can help make them easier through the use of technology.



