## **Equality Commission** for Northern Ireland

Equality House 7-9 Shaftesbury Square BELFAST BT2 7DP



## **REGISTER OF COMMISSIONERS INTERESTS**

I would be grateful if you could consider the attached Declaration of Interests as we are required to update the Departmental Register of Interests on an annual basis. You should declare <u>anything</u> which may conflict with your position as a member of the Commission, for example:

- private occupations (including sitting on boards of other public bodies);
- payment for private or other public work
- shareholdings;
- relationships with suppliers and/or consultants with whom the Commission does business;
- gifts or benefits you have received in connection with your work for the Commission:
- membership of professional institutes or committees; or
- any other interests that could have a conflict with the execution of your duties.

It should be noted that the declaration also covers any material transactions undertaken with the Commission by any close family member. This would include a spouse, partner, parent, child (minor or adult), brother, sister or spouses of any of these.

## EQUALITY COMMISSION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

## **Details of Transactions/Business**

Nature of transaction/business	Self	Close family member (please define relationship where appropriate)
Present Employment	Head of Department Law, Public Service and Education, Atlantic Technological University (ATU) Donegal 1999- Present ( on career break Sept 2022 – June 2024)  Law Lecturer, Open University, Milton Keynes & Belfast 2022-2024	
Private occupations and Public appointments (including sitting on Boards of other Public Bodies)	Lay Member Mental Health Review Tribunals, Mental Health Commission (MHC) Dublin 2022-2027  Part Time Tribunal Member International Protection Appeals Tribunal Dublin 2023-2028	

Payment for Private Work or fees and expenses for work with Public Bodies	
Business interests for example Shareholdings, directorships etc	

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Relationships with suppliers and/or consultants with whom ECNI does business to include:  Names Details of relationship Description of transactions/business Amounts involved Monies owed Debts		
Gifts or benefits received in connection with your work for the Commission		
Membership of professional institutes	Law Society of Ireland; Law Society England & Wales; Mediators' Institute of Ireland (MII)	
Details of <b>any</b> other interests that could have a conflict with the execution of your duties such as political involvement <sup>1</sup> , voluntary	Board Member, Donegal Sports Partnership 2019- present;	
commitments etc	Chairperson Donegal Women's Centre 2018- Present	
	Voluntary Assessor, Athena Swan Ireland	

I declare that the attached details above accurately disclose any material transactions or other business that either I or close members<sup>2</sup> of my family have undertaken which might conflict with, or have the potential to conflict with, my position as a member of the Commission with the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland.

If circumstances change, or I become aware of any further conflicts or potential conflicts of interest with my work in the Commission, I will disclose it immediately to the Accounting Officer.

Name: Siobhan Cullen

Signature: Siobhan Cullen

Date: 05/11/23

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Financial Reporting Standard 8 defines close members of the family of an individual as being 'those family members or members of the same household, who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the reporting entity'. This would include a spouse, partner, parent, child (minor or adult), brother, sister, or the spouses of any of these.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> engaged in political activity in the last five years.