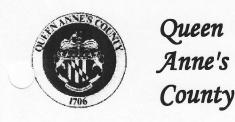
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The Commission considered the facts that were provided regarding the gift of a book and T-shirt to the Commissioners and a few employees and whether it violated the gift provision of the County Public Ethics Law.

The Commission determined that from the information that was provided, and assuming that there was not a business relationship as prohibited by the Ethics Law, as defined in § 8-12 (A), that the gift was a "unsolicited gift of nominal value" which is permitted under § 8-12 (B) (3).

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