

**PROCEDURAL MOTION NO. 21-2016, DIRECTING THE BOARD OF ETHICS TO PROVIDE RECORDS TO THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk County Board of Ethics denied a request from a local media organization for the production of financial disclosure statements submitted by John Scott Prudenti, a Suffolk County Assistant District Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board based its denial on sections of the New York Freedom of Information Law and the United States Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the County's financial disclosure law says that financial disclosure statements are available for public inspection and there appears to be no exceptions in the law that justify withholding a financial disclosure statement from public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, in enacting the financial disclosure law, it was the intent of this Legislature that financial disclosure statements be available to the public; now, therefore be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, pursuant to Section A30-8 of the Suffolk County Administrative Code, hereby directs the Suffolk County Board of Ethics to provide the financial disclosure statements of John Scott Prudenti, filed for the years 2000 to present, to the Ways and Means Committee of the Suffolk County Legislature on or before October 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

DATED: October 5, 2016

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY PURSUANT TO §C2-15(A) OF THE SUFFOLK COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE