

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Jeremy Preiss

Acting Head, Virginia Cannabis Control Authority

**From:** James M. Flaherty

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**Date:** January 16, 2024

**Subject:** Letter of Assurance for Proposed Regulations – Definitions and General

Provisions found at 3VAC10-20 et seq.

I have reviewed the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority's proposed Definitions and General Provisions found at 3VAC10-20 et seq. In my view, as counsel to the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority, this regulation may be promulgated pursuant to Title 4.1 of the Code of Virginia. The regulation does not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor does it appear to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect. The regulation also appears to be exempt from the rulemaking process due to the fifth enactment clause of Chapters 740 and 773 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulation.