

Company Policy #: 1	Policy:
	Code of Ethics and Business
	Conduct for Directors and
	Employees
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The Board of Directors of COTI has adopted this Code of Conduct to guide the Directors and the Company's Employees in recognizing and addressing ethical issues and in ensuring that their activities are consistent with the Company's values of:

- Respect
- Uncompromising integrity
- Trust
- Credibility
- Continuous improvement and personal renewal
- Recognition and celebration
- Transparency

The Code is intended to be a source of guiding principles since no code or policy can anticipate every situation that may arise. Directors or Employees with questions about the Code's application to particular circumstances are encouraged to discuss the issue with the Chair of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

## 1. Compliance with Laws and Company Policies

Directors and Employees are expected to comply with applicable laws and Company policies, and to monitor legal and ethical compliance by the Company's Directors, Officers, and other Employees.

# 2. Conflicts of Interest

Directors and Employees must avoid any conflicts of interest with the Company. A "conflict of interest" exists when a Director's or Employee's personal or professional interest is adverse to, or may appear to be adverse to, the interests of the Company. Conflicts of interest may also arise when a Director or Employee, or members of his or her family, or an organization with which the Director or Employee is affiliated, receives improper benefits as a result of the Director's or Employee's position. Any situation that involves, or may involve, a conflict of interest must be promptly disclosed to the Chair of the Audit Committee.

#### 3. Corporate Opportunities

Directors and Employees owe a duty to the Company to advance its legitimate interests. Directors and Employees may not take for themselves personally, or for other organizations with which they are affiliated, opportunities discovered through the use of Company property, information, or position. No Director or Employee may compete with the Company, or use Company property, information, or position for improper personal gain.

## 4. Competition and Fair Dealing

Directors and Employees shall endeavor to deal fairly with the Company's customers, suppliers, and competitors. The Board shall oversee fair business dealing by the Company's Officers and Employees. No Director or Employee should take unfair business advantage of anyone through manipulation, concealment, abuse of privileged information, misrepresentation of material facts, or any other intentional unfair-dealing.

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The purpose of business entertainment and gifts in a commercial setting is to create goodwill and sound working relationships, not to gain unfair advantage with customers. Directors, Employees, and members of their immediate families may not accept gifts from outside persons or entities when the gifts are made in order to influence the Director's or the Employee's actions, or where acceptance of the gifts could create the appearance of impropriety.

## 5. Confidentiality

Directors and Employees must maintain the confidentiality of information entrusted to them by the Company or its customers, and any other information that comes to them about the Company, except when disclosure is authorized or legally required. Confidential information includes all non-public information that might be of use to competitors, or harmful to the Company if disclosed.

# 6. Protection and Proper Use of Company Assets

Directors and Employees must protect the Company's assets and ensure their efficient use. Directors and Employees must not use Company time, employees, supplies, equipment, buildings, or other assets for personal benefit, unless the use is approved in advance by the Chair of the Audit Committee or is part of a compensation or expense reimbursement program available to all Directors and Employees.

#### 7. Encouraging the Reporting of any Illegal or Unethical Behavior

Directors and Employees should promote ethical behavior and take steps to ensure that the Company; (a) encourages Directors and Employees to talk to supervisors, managers, and other appropriate personnel when in doubt about the best course of action in a particular situation; (b) encourages Directors and Employees to report violations of laws, rules, or regulations; (c) informs Directors and Employees that the Company will not permit retaliation for reports made in good faith.

#### 8. Enforcement

The Board shall determine appropriate actions to be taken in the event of violations of this Code. Directors and Employees should communicate any suspected violations of this Code promptly to the Chair of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee or the Board, or their designee, will investigate violations, and will ensure that appropriate remedial action is taken.

# 9. Waivers of the Code of Business Conduct

Only the Board or the Audit Committee may waive a Company business conduct policy for a COTI Director or Employee, and the waiver must be disclosed to shareholders in accordance with COTI's disclosure policy.

# 10. Annual Review

The policy has been reviewed and authorized by the Board. The Board shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Policy annually, and make any amendments that it deems appropriate. All Directors and Employees are provided with a copy of this official policy.

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