

# Local Law Filing

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
41 STATE STREET, ALBANY, NY 12231

(Use this form to file a local law with the Secretary of State.)

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

~~County~~

~~City~~

Town

~~Village~~

of ..... Lyme .....

Local Law No. .... 4 ..... of the year 20..06

A local law ..... to amend the Code of Ethics of th Town of Lyme as adopted on  
(Insert Title)  
.....  
December 30, . 1970.  
.....  
.....

Be it enacted by the ..... Town Board ..... of the  
(Name of Legislative Body)

~~County~~

~~City~~

Town

~~Village~~

of ..... Lyme ..... as follows:

Article 1. - Statement of Authority. The Town Board of the Town of Lyme, pursuant to the authority granted it under Article 18 of the General Municipal Law and Sections 10 and 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, hereby enacts as follows:

Article 2. - Statement of Purpose and Findings. The Town Board of the Town of Lyme hereby finds that in order to preserve public confidence in the process of local government, it is necessary to place restrictions on the hiring, supervision and promotion of close relatives of elected officials, appointed officials or other Town employees. It is the purpose of this local law to amend the Code of Ethics previously adopted by the Town on December 30, 1970 to provide for greater clarity with respect to this.

(If additional space is needed, attach pages the same size as this sheet, and number each.)

Article 3. - Enactment. The Town Board of the Town of Lyme hereby enacts as follows:

A new Section 2(A) shall be added to the Code of Ethics as follows:

2(A)

Hiring, Supervision and Promoting Close Relatives.

1. It is the policy of the Town of Lyme not to hire close relatives of elected or appointed Town officials or any employee of the Town.
2. If a close relative is an employee of the Town of Lyme at the time of enactment of this local law, he/she may be promoted by a two-thirds vote of the Town Board.
3. The Town Supervisor or his/her designee shall review decisions concerning the assignment of overtime, preferential scheduling or awarding of any benefits to a close relative.
4. Close relatives are defined to be spouse, child, brother, sister, parent, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, niece or nephew.
5. All applications for employment to the Town of Lyme must disclose the relationship of any applicant to any elected or appointed official or any then current employee of the Town.

Article 4. - Severability. If any part of this local law shall be found to be void, voidable, or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, it shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any remaining section or provision of this local law.

Article 5. Effective Date. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. 4 of 20<sup>06</sup> of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ Town of Lyme Town Board was duly passed by the on April 12 20<sup>06</sup>, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.  
(Name of Legislative Body)

~~2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer\*.)~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20\_\_\_\_ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of \_\_\_\_\_ was duly passed by the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the \_\_\_\_\_ and was deemed duly adopted on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.  
(Name of Legislative Body)  
(Elective Chief Executive Officer\*)~~

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20\_\_\_\_ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of \_\_\_\_\_ was duly passed by the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_. Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.  
(Name of Legislative Body)  
(Elective Chief Executive Officer\*)

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

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(Name of Legislative Body)  
(Elective Chief Executive Officer\*)

\* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20\_\_\_\_ of the City of \_\_\_\_\_ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, became operative.

5. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 20\_\_\_\_ of the County of \_\_\_\_\_ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph \_\_\_\_\_, above.

Kim Wallace Town Clerk  
Clerk of the County legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk  
or officer designated by local legislative body

(Seal)

Date: April 12, 2006

(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF Jefferson

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing local law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the local law annexed hereto.

[Signature]  
Signature

Town Attorney  
Title

County  
City of Lyme  
Town  
Village

Date: April 12, 2006