Preamble

CPA Order number 92 of 31 May 2004 established the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) to be the exclusive electoral authority in Iraq. It is an independent and autonomous, non-partisan, neutral and professional government office, with the authority to promulgate, implement, and enforce regulations, rules and procedures with the full force of law in connection with elections during the Transitional Period. It is independent of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government, and is composed of the Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) and the Electoral Administration.

This code of ethics has been developed by the IECI in consequence of the requirement in CPA Order 92 and in the interests of establishing the independence of the IECI and the neutrality and professionalism of its members.

Rules of Ethics

As a member of Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) I hereby swear that I will:

a) Implement all aspects of the electoral legal framework in an impartial and equitable manner and to the best of my ability;

b) Conduct myself in an irreproachable manner, exercise sound judgment, and observe the highest level of personal discretion, abiding by the highest standards of personal and professional ethics;

c) Do nothing to bring disrepute to the IECI or the electoral process;

d) Treat every registrant, voter, political entity, observer, candidate, member of the media, and other participant in the electoral process in a respectful, fair, just, and equitable manner;

e) Protect the privacy of any sensitive or personal information entrusted to me in the course of my duties;

f) Act in a strictly neutral and unbiased manner, doing nothing, including in any private activity, that could indicate or be seen to indicate any partisan support or partiality or that could lead to a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest;
g) Not publicly express a view on any subject which may become a political issue in an election;

h) Disclose any relationship that could lead to a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest;

i) Refuse any gift or favour from any person or entity involved in the electoral process;

j) Reject any improper influence and refrain from accepting direction regarding my responsibilities from any person expect my official superior;

k) Report any attempt at improper influence; and

l) Abide by all Iraqi laws and IECI regulations and procedures regarding procurement, personnel, and other issues of public administration.

Name ________________________

Signature ________________________

Date _______________