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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC AUDITOR
PROCUREMENT APPEALS
TERRITORY OF GUAM**

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8 In the Appeal of) **Appeal No: OPA-PA-23-005**
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ASC Trust, LLC,
Appellant.

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As the procurement under appeal is regarding the Plan Administration Services related to Defined Contribution (DC) Retirement System (401(a) Plan) Deferred Compensation Plan and Welfare Benefit Plan (GGRF RFP-002-22)), the Public Auditor is disclosing that he and several employees of the Office of Public Accountability are members of the DC plan under the Government of Guam Retirement Fund. However, this does not have any impact on his ability to remain impartial presiding over these consolidated procurement appeals.

1 Any objection related to this disclosure shall be filed within ten days of this notice.
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3 **SO ORDERED** this 27th day of October 2023 by:
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7 **Benjamin J. F. Cruz**
8 **Public Auditor of Guam**
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