

State Aircraft Policy

State policy regarding use of the aircraft is as follows:

"The Executive Aircraft is to be utilized only if the requesting official's trip is related to State business or such usage facilitates the execution of official duties."

Possibly Relevant Legal Standards

New York Public Officers Law Section 74 sets forth the Code of Ethics for state officers and employees. Under this code, a public official is obligated not to "use or attempt to use his official position to secure unwarranted privileges for himself or others."

New York Penal Law Section 195.20 says that a person is guilty of defrauding the government when, being a public servant or party officer, he:

- (a) engages in a scheme constituting a systematic ongoing course of conduct with intent to defraud the state or a political subdivision of the state or a governmental instrumentality within the state or to obtain property from the state or a political subdivision of the state or a governmental instrumentality within the state by false or fraudulent pretenses, representations or promises and
- (b) so obtains property with a value in excess of one thousand dollars from such state, political subdivision or governmental instrumentality.

Defrauding the government is a class E felony

