**What is a custodian?**

In the Administrative Code: 01 NCAC 43A .0306 BIDDING AND PURCHASES PROHIBITED BY EMPLOYEES AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS this issue is addressed to maintain integrity and fairness to the buying public. This rule refers to the prohibited purchase of state surplus property by custodians. For the purpose of this rule, the term custodian is defined as follows:

**Any person that has had any possible contact on the item offered for sale as surplus; ordering, using, making the decision to repair or declare an item as surplus; listing or developing descriptions to advertise an item as surplus or any person in the disposition approval chain for the item offered for public sale.**

* **A custodian cannot bid on their property. They can bid on property from other agencies.**
* **Do NOT buy or bid on items from your own agency**