From: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

Sent: Monday, August 10, 2015 12:18 PM

To: Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)

Subject: Gerald Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney (solicitation of gifts) INQ 15-170

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From: Centorino, Joseph (COE)

Sent: Friday, August 07, 2015 5:23 PM

To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE); Perez, Martha D. (COE)

Subject: INQ 15-170 Gerald Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney

Gerald Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney, inquired regarding whether it would be appropriate for a County Commissioner to solicit donations via an office newsletter to constituents for donations for back-to-school items, e.g., backpacks, for distribution through office staff to needy and deserving children. I informed him that such a function was an appropriate public function related to the Commissioner's office and would, therefore, be a permissible gift solicitation under Section 2-11.1(e)(2)(f), and would not be a prohibited Exploitation of office under Section 2-11.1(g), provided that all donations go to deserving members of the public and that neither the Commissioner nor Commission staff members would in any way benefit from the solicitation.

Joseph M. Centorino

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