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**Subject:** INQ 15-206 Charles Anderson, Miami-Dade County Commission Auditor (Voting Conflict - Advisory Board)

Mr. Anderson:

This will confirm our conversation regarding whether Zaba Castro, a member of the selection committee on RFP 00198- Legal Services for Implementation of Public Private Partnership to Develop County Civil & Criminal court Facilities, has a conflict of interest where her husband formerly worked with Miguel Diaz de la Portilla, a partner at Arnstein & Lehr, a law firm involved in one of the proposals for the contract pending before the board. It is my understanding that neither Ms. Castro nor her husband has any current employment or business relationship with Mr. Diaz de la Portilla or his law firm, nor any personal interest in the contract itself.

Under Section 2-11.1(v) of the Ethics Code, there would not be a voting conflict created by this former relationship as a co-worker on the part of the husband of one of the selection committee members, nor is there any other prohibited conflict created under the Ethics Code under the given circumstances. However, as in all procurement matters, where appearances of integrity and fairness are paramount, I do suggest that someone check with the individuals involved to determine whether this former relationship would create an impediment to Ms. Castro's objectivity, or whether there are reasons be concerned about an appearance of impropriety that might lead to a re-consideration of whether Ms. Castro is an appropriate appointee to such a committee. That evaluation should be done at the departmental level.

Sincerely,

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This email is being sent on behalf of Mr. Charles Anderson, Commission Auditor.

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