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

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**To:** Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)

Subject: David Williams, Councilman, City of Miami Gardens (Exploitation, Political Activities of

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## INQ 15-257 Williams

From: Centorino, Joseph (COE)

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

Subject: INQ 15-257 David Williams, Councilman, City of Miami Gardens (Exploitation, Political Activities of Municipal

Officers)

Councilman David Williams of the City of Miami Gardens inquired regarding whether it would be an ethical violation for a citizens' advisory board for the City of Miami Gardens to be involved in a voter registration drive, where one of the members of the board may be a candidate for public office. I advised him that there would be no violation for such a board to be involved in encouraging voter registration by providing public information and materials to prospective voters regarding the registration process. However, it would be a violation of Section 2-11.1(g) *Exploitation of Official Position*, as well as a potential violation of Section 105.31, Florida Statutes, for a municipal officer or employee to use one's public position or public resources connected to one's position to advocate for the election of any candidate in an election or to otherwise attempt to influence any person's vote in an election.

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