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Via email at: sapneiltutoringmiami@gmail.gov

November 8, 2016

Sapneil S. Parikh Sapneil Tutoring, Inc. 1405 SW 107th Avenue, Suite 205 C Miami, FL 33174 Please submit this letter to the Procurement Department. The Ethics Commission does not submit this letter on your behalf

Re: INQ 16-250, Limitations on Doing Business with the County

Dear Mr. Parikh:

On October 31, 2016, you asked about limitations in contracting with the County through your privately owned company, Sapneil Tutoring, Inc. (Sapneil Tutoring). Your mother, Daksha Parikh, is employed by the Miami-Dade County Office of Management and Budget as an Accountant 1 in the Grants Coordination Division.

The County Ethics Code at Secs. 2-11.1 (c)(2) and (d) allows you to enter into a contract, individually or through a firm, with Miami-Dade County, as long as the contract does not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of your mother's duties to the County.

This means that Daksha Parikh shall not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of Ms. Parikh's job responsibilities and job descriptions shall require her to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination or forbearance. In your case, this means that <u>Sapneil Tutoring, Inc.</u>, <u>shall not enter into contracts with the Miami-Dade County Office of Management and Budget</u>.

This opinion construes the Miami-Dade County Ethics Code as it applies to County employee-vendors at Secs. 2-11.1 (c)(2) and (d) only. It is not applicable to any conflicts under other sections of the County Code or to issues related to state or federal laws.

If any of the facts you have presented change or if you have further questions, please feel free to contact me at 305 350-0601.

Sincerely,

Gilma Diaz-Greco

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Staff Attorney

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Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

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

Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2016 3:27 PM

To: 'Sapneil Tutoring Inc.' **Subject:** RE: Sapneil Tutoring - letter

Thank you. Letter will follow shortly.

From: Sapneil Tutoring Inc. [mailto:sapneiltutoringmiami@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2016 3:13 PM

To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE) < Gilma.Diaz-Greco@miamidade.gov>

Subject: Sapneil Tutoring - letter

Hi:

As discussed, the letter on ethics is for being able to register as a certified vendor for tutoring services at Miami dade public schools. I do not anticipate working with the Miami dade- office of management & budget.

Sincerely,

Sapneil Parikh MS, MPH | Sapneil Tutoring Inc. | Principal & Founder | (P) 305 968 6364 | (F) 786 899 0365 | www.sapneiltutoring.com | 1405 SW 107th Avenue, Suite 205 C Find Us On Facebook! http://www.facebook.com/sapneiltutoring Follow Us On Twitter! http://www.twitter.com/sapneiltutoring

Sent from my iPhone

Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)

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

Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2016 3:46 PM

To: Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)

Subject: Sapneil Parikh, Sapneil Tutoring, Inc. Limitations on Doing Business with the County)

INQ 16-250

Attachments: INQ 16-250 Parikh.pdf; Parikh applic.pdf; Daksha Parikh bluebook.pdf; Sapneil email.pdf

INQ 16-250 Parikh

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

Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2016 3:44 PM

To: 'Sapneil Tutoring Inc.' <sapneiltutoringmiami@gmail.com>

Subject: Limitations on Doing Business with the County Ethics Opinion INQ 16-250

Dear Mr. Parikh:

Attached is the Limitations on Doing Business with the County Ethics Opinion. Please note that it indicates that you **may** enter contracts with Miami-Dade County, but not with the **Miami-Dade County Public Office of Management and Budget** which employs your mother, Daksha Parikh, as an accountant 1. Further, your parent may not **may not lobby for any contract you may seek with the County.** (See the County Ethics Code at Secs. 2-11.1 (c) and (m)(1).).

You may print of forward this letter to the Procurement Department, you may also print a copy for your records. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Gilma (Mimi) Diaz-Greco Staff Attorney



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From: Sapneil Tutoring Inc. [mailto:sapneiltutoringmiami@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, October 31, 2016 2:08 PM

To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE) < Gilma. Diaz-Greco@miamidade.gov>

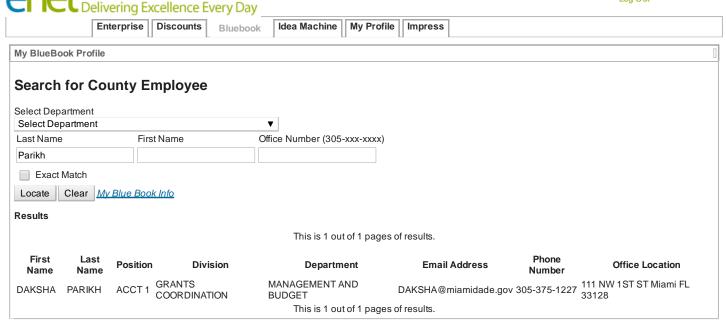
Subject: procurement form-Sapneil Tutoring

Hi Gilma -

It was nice speaking to you earlier today. I have attached the procurement form for my vendor registration. Please let me know if there is any additional information you may need.

GILMA, you are in ENET!

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Relatives of County Employees Wishing to Register as County Vendors

Please submit the following information by mail, fax, or email to-

(305) 350-0638

Gilma Diaz-Greco, Staff Attorney
The Commission on Ethics & Public Trust

19 West Flagler St., Suite 820	Fax:	(305) 579-0273
Miami, FL 33130	Email:	gdiazgr@miamidade.gov
YOURNAME Sapneil S. Parikh		
Name of Your Business Scipneil Tutoring Inc	,	
Type of Business Tutoring & Test Prepara	tron	
Your Mailing Address 1405 Sw 107th Ave, Sto	205C	Miani, FL 33171
Your Daytime Phone 305-966-6364		
Name of county employee	anai	L.com
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who is related to you Paksha Parikh		
Type of relationship—spouse? child? parent? other?		
County employee's department, if known Office of manage	mont É	Budept
County employee's title, if known ACC surfact	`	
Please list the names, titles,		
and departments of any		
other immediate family		
members currently employed		
by Miami-Dade Co.		

The Miami-Dade County Conflict of Interest & Code of Ethics at § 2-11.1 (c)(2) allows immediate family members of County employees to contract with the County in certain circumstances and if the following criteria are met. Please confirm that you and your immediate family member/s will be able to meet all of these criteria:

- Entering into a contract with the County will not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of the County employee's duties to the County.
- 2. The County employee will not participate in determining your contract requirements.
- 3. The County employee will not participate in awarding the contract.
- 4. The County employee's job responsibilities and job description will not require him/her to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination, or forbearance.
- The County employee will not be working in the County department that enforces, oversees, or administers your contract.

I have read these requirements and pledge to abide by them.

10/31/2016 Date

Your ethics opinion will be sent to you by first class mail and email, unless you request another type of delivery.

COE 11/2013