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INQ 17-43 Pollock

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Dear Ms. Pollock:

It was a pleasure to speak with you. You inquired about ethics training requirements for County board members. Section 2-11.1(bb) of the County Ethics Code requires ethics training for elected officials and County employees, but is silent on ethics training for County **board members**. However, Miami Dade-Resolution 189-05 (attached) states in relevant part that:

> "...members of all County boards shall be required to complete an ethics training course which, at a minimum, shall include the following topics: the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance; the Sunshine Law; and the Public Records Law. The ethics training course shall be developed by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public trust ("Ethics Commission"). All current and future board members shall be required to complete the ethics training course pursuant to a schedule developed by the Ethics Commission."

I note that Resolution 189-05 does not specify a time frame within which the ethics training must be completed; however, you advise that Section 4.15.6 of the by-laws of the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust, the County board about which you are inquiring, sets a 90 day requirement to complete ethics training. In the absence of a specified timeframe for ethics training in Resolution 189-05, the time frame in your by-laws should be followed. The dates for board ethics training can be found on the Ethics Commission website at: http://ethics.miamidade.gov/library/2017-publications/2017_advisory_bd_training.pdf.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Best regards,

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From: Pollock, Traci (MDEAT)
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Subject: MDEAT: Ethics Training for Board Members (Time Period for Compliance)

Thanks for speaking with me today regarding the timeline to complete the ethics training for county board members.

Please advise of the amount of time a county board member has to complete the ethics training mandate upon his/her appointment to the board by the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners.

The MDEAT board set a 90-day period from the BCC appointment date as per its bylaws (see attached bylaws section 4.15.6). Thus, I would like to know what is the time period for compliance as established by the ethics commission. Is it more or less?

Thanks in advance.

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