## Meyers, Robert (COE)

INQ 06-96

From:

Meyers, Robert (COE)

Sent:

Friday, June 30, 2006 4:20 PM

To:

Regalado, Elizabeth (DHS)

Subject: RE: Conflict of Interest?

Ms. Regalado,

Pursuant our telephone conversation, this is to confirm that Mark Zehnal may assign roofers to clients in your program. I understand that Mr. Zehnal is a Code Compliance Specialist with the county's Building Code Compliance Office and he is active with state and local roofing associations. This is relevant because those roofers selected to participate in this roofing program with the Partnership for Recovery must be members of a state or local roofing association. However, Mr. Zehnal, as an employee of BCCO, does not inspect roofs nor is he involved in enforcement. According to Mr. Zehnal, much of his work includes training inspectors and holding seminars for roofing contractors, as opposed to actually conducting inspections.

Due to the seminars he conducts and his activities with the roofing associations, he is familiar with the many of the roofers who have applied to participate in the program. As long as Mr. Zehnal exercising his discretion lawfully when assigning roofers to these jobs, no conflict of interest exists under the County's ethics rules.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers, Executive Director Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

From: Regalado, Elizabeth (DHS) Sent: Monday, June 26, 2006 1:36 PM

**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)

Cc: Zehnal, Mark (BCCO); Aiken, Amy (MDFR)

Subject: FW: Conflict of Interest?

Hi Mr. Meyers,

Hope you are well. I don't know if you remember me in my former work with the Alliance for Human Services. I am now with the Partnership for Recovery and following up on Christina's email to you last week. See below. Christina is no longer with us as she is now working at Elections.

We need a quick reply from you on this in order to start assigning roofing contractors to the homes of our clients.

Please contact me at any of the numbers below.

Thank you.

Liz

Elizabeth Regalado Partnership for Recovery 305 . 375. 4032 - Office

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## 305 . 546. 4427 - Mobil

From: Bacogiannis, Christina (GIC)

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 3:28 PM

To: Regalado, Elizabeth (DHS); Aiken, Amy (MDFR)

Subject: FW: Conflict of Interest?

Sorry.

From: Bacogiannis, Christina (GIC)

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 2:48 PM

**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE) **Cc:** Zehnal, Mark (BCCO)

Subject: FW: Conflict of Interest?

Robert.

Please see my email below. If you can offer your insight, it would be highly appreciated. We are actually a 501c3 not-for-profit organization (not technically County) that is staffed by county employees. As you will notice, there is a contact number for Mark below if you have additional questions. Thanks!

From: Saks, Glenn A. (CAO)

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 1:00 PM

To: Bacogiannis, Christina (GIC)

Cc: Zehnal, Mark (BCCO); Aiken, Amy (MDFR); Regalado, Elizabeth (DHS)

Subject: RE: Conflict of Interest?

Our office has been directed to refer conflict of interest questions to the Commission on Ethics, headed by Robert Myers.

From: Bacogiannis, Christina (GIC)

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 12:17 PM

To: Saks, Glenn A. (CAO)

Cc: Zehnal, Mark (BCCO); Aiken, Amy (MDFR); Regalado, Elizabeth (DHS)

**Subject:** Conflict of Interest?

Hi Glenn,

Mark Zehnal is a Code Compliance Specialist on loan to the PFR from the Building Code Compliance Office. He is on staff for his expertise with roofing. Is there a conflict of interest or any reason why it would be a problem for Mark to assign roofers to clients of our program? In other words, Mark would be the one to determine that:

Roofer B gets job D, E, F

...and so on.

Mark's County role is the liaison between the BCCO and the two Roofing Associations we are working with (the assigned roofers are members of these associations) and additionally, he sits on the Board of Directors of one the associations. If you need clarity, Mark's number is 786-256-8259.

Best Regards, Christina Bacogiannis, Public Information Officer Partnership for Recovery 305-375-4145 bacogc@miamidade.gov