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**COMMISSION ON
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Memo

To: Commissioner Miriam Alonso
Board of County Commissioners, District Twelve

From:  Robert Meyers, Executive Director
Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

Date: 03/28/00

Re: Request for Opinion Process

This is to confirm that on March 27, 2000 I had a conversation with Elba Morales , your chief of staff, and I informed her that the Ethics Commission has no record of receiving a request for opinion from you or a member of your immediate family concerning the Section Eight Housing program. The Ethics Commission rendered two opinions on this subject, RQO 99-34 and RQO 99-35, but you did not initiate either request. According to the powers delegated to the Ethics Commission, it may opine about an individual's conduct only when that person has sought the advice of the Ethics Commission. Thus, the Ethics Commission does not have the legal authority to render an advisory opinion in your case unless you are willing to submit to its jurisdiction. Since you have not requested an opinion from our office with respect to this subject matter, the Ethics Commission has never considered the particular facts and circumstances of your case.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

cc: Robert Ginsburg, County Attorney