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Robert Meyers

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August 02, 2000

Dade County Commission On Ethics and Public Trust
C/O Robert Myers, Executive Director
19 West Flagler Street Ste. 220
Miami- Dade, Florida 33130

Dear Mr. Myers,

Back on December 13, 1999, I asked for you to render me a written decision concerning any prohibition if any of me in 1.) lobbying the County, 2.) Contracting with the County, and 3.) seeking appointment from the County (see attachment 1). Your response dated March 2, 2000 stated that according to the Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest and the information that I provided you , that effective December 1999 I am no longer barred by the two (2) years rule restricting my ability to lobby Miami Dade County, furthermore, you stated that if I needed to discuss this matter in more detail that I can contact you (see attachment 2). I note that you letter to me was strictly concerning my lobbying the County and was silent on 1.) my contracting with the County and 2.) my being appointed to an advisory Board by the County. Please provide me with a detailed written opinion concerning these two points in a prompt and timely fashion. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Horace Oneal Derricks,
President Carnival Rent A Car

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Faxed to avoid delay, original will be mailed and/or hand delivered

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December 13, 1999

Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust
C/O Robert Meyers Executive Director
175 NW. 1st. Avenue Ste. 1101
Miami Dade, Florida 33128

Dear Mr. Meyers

Mr. Meyers, the purpose of this correspondence is to seek guidance, understanding, and any prohibition if any of my rights as it pertains to the following: 1.) Lobbying the County, 2.) Contracting with the County (Prime or Sub.), 3.) Seeking appointment with the County on an Advisory Boards and/or Community Zoning Boards. First of all, let me start out by introduction myself and the conditions that necessitate answers to the above. My name is Horace O'neal Derricks, and I served as legislative aide to Former State of Florida Representative James C. Burke in 1992, served as an aide and Legislative Director for Former County Commissioner James C. Burke from April 1993 to July 1997, and served as Chief of Staff to current County Commissioner Betty T. Ferguson from July 1997 to December 1997. I left County employment on or about December 1997, and has served a self imposed exile from the County (lobbying/contracting/employment) even though under the current restriction (Personal involvement with...oversee provisions...). I could have served in any capacity. The reason(s) that I write you today is that I wish to lobby the County, seek appointment from the County, and possibly contract with the County in the near future, and I need to understand my rights, responsibilities, and any prohibitions if any that may apply to me. Furthermore, I am considering running for a seat on the County's Community Zoning Council as well as running for reelection for my seat on the Dade County Democratic Executive Committee. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon me at the address and numbers listed above. I remain,

Sincerely,


Horace O'neal DerricksCOMMISSION ON ETHICS
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March 2, 2000

Horace O'neal Derricks
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Dear Mr. Derricks:

According to the Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Ordinance, County employees are not permitted to lobby the County for two years from the date of separation. You asserted in your letter of December 13, 1999 that your last date of employment with the County was in December 1997. Based on these facts, effective December 1999, you are no longer barred by the two-year rule restricting your ability to lobby Miami-Dade County.

Please contact me at your convenience if you would like to discuss this matter in more detail.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers
Executive Director