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Three candidates remain to interview for Executive Director

Following hour-long telephone conversations with seven candidates yesterday, a screening committee of the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (COE) narrowed the search for a new executive director to three people. They are, in alphabetical order, Joseph Centorino, Chief of the Public Corruption Division of the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office; Esther Jacobo, Statewide Director of Children's Legal Services in the Department of Children & Families; and David Young, Attorney and former Circuit and County Court Judge.

The finalists will meet individually with the full Ethics Commission and with staff members following the conclusion of the regular meeting of the Ethics Commission on Wednesday, June 22, 2011.

The Ethics Commission was created in 1996 as an independent agency with advisory and quasi-judicial powers. It is composed of five members, serving staggered terms of four years each. Through a program of education, outreach and enforcement, the Commission seeks to empower the community and bolster public trust.

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