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From: Centorino, Joseph (COE) Sent: Monday, March 26, 2018 12:36 PM To: <u>BCUEVAS07@GMAIL.COM</u> Subject: INQ 18-72 Robert Cuevas, Esq. (Lobbying)

Hi Bob,

This will confirm our recent conversation regarding the requirements under Section 2-11.1(s) of the County Ethics Code regarding lobbying. You have indicated that it is your intention to speak with County officials regarding the terms of a lease with the Boys and Girls Club of Miami, a 501(c)(3) organization. You are a board member of the organization and will not receive any compensation or reimbursement for the appearance with the County on behalf of the organization. Although an appearance on behalf of a not-for-profit community –based organization would not require lobbyist registration (Subsection 2-11.1(1)(b)), it is my understanding that the contact in question will not involve a County grant and will focus on anticipated changes in the lease that the organization currently has with the County Clerk, but will not be required to pay the lobbyist registration fee. However, you will need to complete the four-hour lobbyist ethics training course, provided by the Ethics Commission staff pursuant to Subsection 2-11.1(s)(2)(d) of the Code, within 60 days following your registration as a lobbyist, for which there is a non-waivable fee of \$100. The dates scheduled for the course and registration information can be found on our agency website at ethics.miamidade.gov.

Since your separation from the County as County Attorney occurred more than two years ago, the two-year prohibition on lobbying in the County by former County employees in Section 2-11.1(q) does not apply.

Thanks for your inquiry.

Regards,

Joe Centorino

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