

Ethics (COE)

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From: Ethics (COE)
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2008 10:16 AM
To: Trutie, Suzy (Mayor's Office)
Subject: RE: Requesting an Opinion

Ms. Trutie,

In speaking with the other attorneys in our office, it is our opinion that the ban on the use of County letterhead to endorse an individual running for public office would also extend to a letter of support for an individual seeking public office via the appointment process. The Mayor would be permitted to use his personal stationery to offer his support for this candidate.

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

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers, Executive Director
 Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust
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From: Trutie, Suzy (Mayor's Office)
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 2:21 PM
To: Ethics (COE)
Cc: Meyers, Robert (COE); Mallette, Victoria (Mayor's Office)
Subject: Requesting an Opinion

In a recent opinion issued by your office, it states a County elected official cannot use his/her County letterhead to endorse an individual running for public office. Does this also apply to a judge seeking a letter of support from the Mayor for appointment to the Florida Supreme Court by the Governor? Please advise. Thank you.

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