

**Meyers, Robert (COE)**

INQ 08-66

**From:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 23, 2008 4:45 PM  
**To:** Mazzella, Christopher (OIG); White, Ruthe (CAA)  
**Subject:** RE: Invitation from a Vendor

Dear Ms. White:

There is no provision in the county's Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance that prohibits you or your staff from attending the anniversary celebration. Assuming that you are not paying to attend the event, you would be receiving a gift which you would be required to report if the value of the event/party exceeds \$100.

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

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers, Executive Director  
Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust  
(305) 350-0613

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**From:** Mazzella, Christopher (OIG)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 22, 2008 4:15 PM  
**To:** White, Ruthe (CAA)  
**Cc:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Subject:** RE: Invitation from a Vendor

Ruthe,

This question is more appropriate for the Ethics Commission to address. I am, therefore, copying Mr. Meyers, Executive Director, Ethics Commission, whom I sure will help you.

Regards,

Chris Mazzella  
Inspector General  
Miami-Dade County

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**From:** White, Ruthe (CAA)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 22, 2008 4:07 PM  
**To:** Mazzella, Christopher (OIG)  
**Subject:** Invitation from a Vendor

Mr. Mazzella,

My staff and I were invited to attend a 40<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration for one of our vendors. Would our attendance be considered a conflict of interest?

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