

February 13, 2009

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Re: INQ 09-24
County Vendor Approval

Dear Mr. Zaron:

This is to confirm that Hunton & Williams LLP does not have a conflict of interest doing business with Miami-Dade County based on your financial interest of less than one percent (1%) in the firm¹ and notwithstanding that your spouse, Erica Zaron, is employed by the County as an Assistant County Attorney.

Miami-Dade County Code at § 2-11.1 (d) prohibits a County employee from entering into a contract with the County through a firm in which the employee or her spouse has a controlling financial interest. Currently, a controlling financial interest is considered to be ten percent (10%) or more.

We understand that your firm wishes to continue work in bond disclosure and other public finance matters for the County. Although not strictly prohibited by law, we appreciate that you are avoiding any appearances of impropriety by not representing the County in bond matters. Additionally, your spouse is not involved in bond work on behalf of the County. This arrangement ensures that Hunton & Williams' contract with the County will not interfere, or appear to interfere, with the full and faithful discharge of your spouse's duties to the County.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

VICTORIA FRIGO
Staff Attorney

Copy faxed to Karen L. Lebo at 804 788-8218.

¹ This information was conveyed to us by Karen L. Lebo, Lead Business Intake/Conflicts Lawyer, Hunton & Williams, in a letter dated February 10, 2009.