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Eduardo I. Diaz, Ph.D. 13625 SW 82nd Court Palmetto Bay, FL 33158-1010

Re: INQ 11-43

Limitations on Doing Business with the County

Dear Dr. Diaz:

We understand that you wish to provide training and related services to the County in your private professional capacity as a psychologist.

The County Ethics Code allows you to enter into contracts with all County departments except the Miami-Dade County Office of Human Rights and Fair Employment Practices because of your employment with the Office of Human Rights.

Specifically, the County Ethics Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (c) allows you to enter into a contract with Miami-Dade County as long as the contract does not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of your duties to the County. This includes the condition that you do not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of your job responsibilities and job descriptions may require you to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination, or forbearance. Finally, you may not work in any County department that will enforce, oversee, or administer your contract. In your case, this means that you may not enter into contracts with the Office of Human Rights.

If any of the facts you have presented change, or if you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 305 350-0601.

Sincerely,

VICTORIA FRIGO Staff Attorney