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Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2012 3:22 PM

To: Walker, Jennifer (RER); Lopez, Carolina D. (Elections)

Cc: Centorino, Joseph (COE)

Subject: Political Committee Participation (INQ 12-153) **Attachments:** publicemployeepoliticalactivitymemo 2012.pdf

Ms. Walker,

I have consulted with our Executive Director regarding your question about outside employment and we agree that a County employee is not engaged in outside employment when he runs for and/or serves as a committeeman for the Republican Executive Committee.

Outside employment, unlike a committeeman position, is one in which the County employee provides a personal service to a non-County employer that is compensated or customarily eligible to be compensated. (*See also* the County Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (j) and (k).)

Consequently, the County employee in this case is not required to obtain permission from his supervisor to serve as a committeeman and is not required to complete outside employment forms.

Also attached is a memo from our Executive Director with general guidelines about campaign activities involving County employees.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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From: Walker, Jennifer (RER)

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Subject: RE: Political Committee Participation

Okay, thanks!

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Subject: RE: Political Committee Participation

Hi Jennifer,

Hope all is well. Luckily all went well with TS Isaac, and now on the General Election!

In reviewing your email about a county employee running for a party executive office (committeeman/committeewoman), I think this question would be answered by Victoria Frigo, Staff Attorney with the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust. I have copied her on this email. Thanks

Regards,
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Subject: Political Committee Participation

Hi Carolina, hope you faired well with TS Isaac☺

Question:

Does a County employee need approval of the department director if they are running for a political committee? Also, would the outside employment form have to be completed even if the employee is not receiving a salary?

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