## Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

From:	Centorino, Joseph (COE)
Sent:	Friday, March 07, 2014 2:05 PM
То:	Jones-Wilfork, Bobbie (Aviation)
Cc:	Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE); Sanchez, Gerald (CAO); Murray, David M. (Aviation)
Subject:	INQ - Bobbie Jones-Wilfork, Assistant Aviation Director for Administration, Miami-Dade
-	Aviation Department (Gifts)

## Ms. Jones-Wilfork

You have inquired regarding whether you may accept two Heat tickets valued at approximately \$500 from the Senior Development Officer assigned to the County by United Way. United Way is a recognized non-profit entity that solicits contributions from County employees through the workplace, a practice that is officially sanctioned by Miami-Dade County. There are individuals in County departments who are assigned to work with United Way to help coordinate the fundraising from County employees. You have done so in connection with your position as Assistant Aviation Director for Administration. These tickets have been offered to you in recognition of your fine work in assisting United Way. However, Section 2-11.1(e)(3) of the Miami-Dade Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics prohibits a County employee from accepting a gift "for or because of...an official public action taken or to be taken, or which could be taken..." Inasmuch as this gift has been offered to you because of actions taken by you in your capacity as an administrator in the Aviation Department, it would be prohibited under this section of the Code. Accordingly, you may not accept the free tickets.

I commend you for recognizing the ethical issue presented by this matter and for seeking guidance prior to taking any action.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Centorino Executive Director Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

From: Jones-Wilfork, Bobbie (Aviation) [mailto:BJones-Wilfork@miami-airport.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 05, 2014 4:24 PM
To: Centorino, Joseph (COE)
Subject: United Way

Mr. Centorino,

I serve as the coordinator for United Way at the Aviation Department. In my capacity I work with a team to raise money and encourage employees to donate to United Way. Today I received a call from the Senior Development Officer assigned to the County offering me two Heat tickets valued at approximately \$ 500.00 for the game on Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> as a token of appreciation for my coordination of activities at the department. Please advise as to whether I should or should not accept the tickets. Thanks.

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