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To: Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)
Subject: Connie Leon-Kreps, Mayor, North Bay Village (Conflicting Employment, Exploitation)
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INQ 17-251 Kreps

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Subject: INQ 17-251 Connie Leon-Kreps, Mayor, North Bay Village (Conflicting Employment, Exploitation)

Mayor Leon-Kreps:

You have inquired concerning whether there may be a conflict of interest in connection with your acceptance of an offer to assist as a nurse consultant/case manager in a Workers' Compensation case involving an elected official from another municipality. You are a professional nurse consultant who acts as a paid consultant for insurance companies or providers or anyone with a need for such services. You did not solicit this consulting opportunity, but were asked by an insurance carrier to get involved. You indicate that you do not know this other official and are unaware of any pending business between North Bay Village and this official or his municipality.

I do not see any basis here for concluding that your acceptance of this position would conflict in any way with your position as Mayor. It does not appear that it would affect your independence of judgment in your position as Mayor due to your lack of connection with the individual involved and his lack of connection with you or your municipality. Thus, it would not be considered conflicting employment under Section 2-11.1(j) of the County Ethics Code. Since you have not solicited it, nor used your position to obtain it, your acceptance of the consulting offer would not be considered an Exploitation of your official position under Section 2-11.1(g) of the Code.

If, for some reason, these facts should change, you may want to re-contact me.

Sincerely,

Joe Centorino

Joseph M. Centorino

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From: Connie Kreps [<mailto:ckreps@atlanticbb.net>]
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Subject: Opinion requested
Importance: High

Mr. Centorino,

I need a professional opinion:

I have been called by a Workers compensation Insurance carrier, to assist as a nurse consultant/case manager, on a case involving an elected official from another municipality.

I do not know this person personally but do know of his position.

I do not know of any relationship business that NBV may have with other city and I personally do not have any.

Please advise if this would be an any way a conflict of interest?

(This is the 2nd time the insurance carrier is requesting my involvement. However, the first time I could not reach you as you may have been on vacation. I declined the case then.

I would appreciate your prompt response.

Thanks,

Connie

Connie Leon Kreps BSN,RN,CHCQM,CRRN,CCM ,CLCP , ABDA,MSCC
Nurse Case Manager

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