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INQ 06-57

**From:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 17, 2006 11:14 AM  
**To:** 'Mitchell Bierman'  
**Subject:** RE: mdhadc

Mitchell,

You state in your inquiry that MDHAC is interested in leasing office space from Rivers Development Group, a firm that currently is working on a project with MDHAC. You ask whether such collaboration presents a conflict if MDHAC enters into a lease agreement with Rivers. Provided MDHAC pays fair market value for the office space it is leasing, it would not be a violation of the County's Code of Ethics Ordinance for the parties to enter into this arrangement. It might be prudent for MDHAC to compare the rent Rivers will be charging to the rent other landlords in the area would charge for comparable space to assure that MDHAC is not receiving a discount on account of its relationship with Rivers.

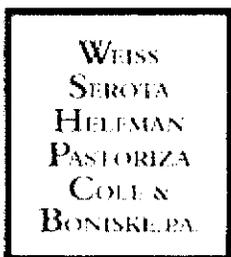
If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers

**From:** Mitchell Bierman [mailto:mbierman@wsh-law.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 14, 2006 12:06 PM  
**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Subject:** mdhadc

MDHADC is interested in leasing office space from Rivers Development Group. We have a project with Rivers Development Group, called Sunset Pointe, and since they are a developer, there might be others. Would that present a conflict to us in any way?



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