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Meyers, Robert (COE)

From: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2001 4:12 PM
To: Williams, Leslie (Park & Rec.)
Subject: RE:

Leslie,

I consulted with our staff attorney and she and I agree that there is no legal conflict because your sister is defined as immediate family under the County's Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Ordinance. The only concern is whether in our position as Special Event Coordinator you could encourage clients to hire your sister's company instead of other caterers. If you are simply providing clients with the list and not commenting on your experiences with them, there is no problem. If, however, clients are seeking your input about who is the best caterer to hire and you give them the name of your sister and do not mention her relationship to you, this could be perceived as being unethical.

I hope this helps. Please contact me if you have additional questions.

Thanks,

Robert Meyers

-----Original Message-----

From: Williams, Leslie (Park & Rec.)
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2001 2:00 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Subject:

Hi Robert, as per our phone conversation, with reference to my sister who owns a catering company; who is on the catering list at the Deering Estate. Is it unethical for her to being on that list? I am the event coordinator for the estate and I am in one way responsible for who the client chooses for their event, I felt it necessary to have this matter clear up. I will be out of the office from 11-12 to 11-16; please respond on my return.

Thanks again

Leslie Williams

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