

**Meyers, Robert (COE)**

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**To:** Tara L. Gould

**Subject:** RE: County Ethics Code Question

Ms. Gould,

For purposes of your request for opinion, I will assume that the municipal department paying for the work is not the police department. If my assumption is correct, then the County Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance does not prohibit immediate family members of municipal employees from contracting with other city departments.

If you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers

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**From:** Tara L. Gould [mailto:Tgould@wsh-law.com]

**Sent:** Friday, December 03, 2004 1:49 PM

**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)

**Cc:** David M. Wolpin

**Subject:** County Ethics Code Question

Hello Mr. Meyers -

I am writing to confirm (informally) whether pursuant to the exception outlined in Section 2-11.1(c) (2) of the County Ethics Code, the wife of a municipal police officer may occasionally perform picture framing work for the municipality at an annual cost of approximately \$500.00. In these instances the contract/agreement would not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of the police officer's duties, the police officer will not participate in determining the contract requirements or awarding the contract; and the police officer's job responsibilities would not require him to be involved in the contract/agreement in any way.

Any assistance or guidance you could provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you -

Tara Gould

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