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April 6, 1999

Carol Roffer  
President  
C&C Solutions, Inc.  
2871 S.W. 69<sup>th</sup> Court  
Miami, Florida 33155

**RE: REQUEST FOR ADVISORY OPINION 99-11**

Dear Ms. Roffer:

The Commission on Ethics and Public Trust considered your request for an advisory opinion at its meeting on April 5, 1999 and rendered its opinion based on the facts stated in your letter.

You requested an opinion regarding whether the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics ordinance prohibits you from contracting with county departments to provide computer services.

In your letter, you advised the Commission that you and M.Cristina Fernandez have formed a firm, C & C Solutions. You further advised the commission that you left county employment in 1999 and Fernandez left county employment in 1998. Your firm, C& C Solutions provides software customization, application design and development, Internet/Intranet application development, training and technical support. Your company wishes to contract with county departments to provide these specialized services.

The Commission found that The Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics ordinance does not preclude C & C Solutions from contracting with the county to provide computer services. The amended Section 2-11.1 (q) no longer restricts county employees from contracting with the county for two years after they leave county service. Section 2-11.1(q), as amended, only prohibits county employees from lobbying county departments and officials and does not prohibit them from contracting with the county.

Accordingly, the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics ordinance does not preclude C&C Solutions, Inc. from contracting with the county to provide computer services.

If you have any questions regarding the opinion, please call the undersigned at (305) 579-2954 or Ardyth Walker, Staff General Counsel at (305) 579-2653.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Meyers", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

ROBERT MEYERS  
Executive Director