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**Commission on Ethics &
Public Trust
Miami-Dade County**

Memorandum

To: File

From: Michael Murawski, Advocate
Breno Penichet, Investigator

Date: April 17, 2007

Re: Homestead Exemptions Investigations; K07-047

This Investigation was predicated by an E-Mail received from Mr. Barrios advising that he filed a complaint with Property Appraiser's office regarding two members of the board of directors of his condominium. According to Mr. Barrios (not his real name) these two people have been cheating the system for years by not paying their share of taxes.

A review of the documentation received shows that at least one property has been cited. COE Investigator Penichet contacted the Miami-Dade County Property Appraisal Department, Exemptions Investigation Team and spoke to Investigator Mobley, She stated that there is and open ongoing Investigation on the allegations made by Mr. Barrios, but due to confidentiality laws she can not discuss the matter with anyone. Ms. Mobley advised they work along with the OIG and if any criminal charges need to be filed they refer the case to the SAO. Investigator Mobley advised that she has tried to contact Mr. Barrios via phone on several occasions with negative results.

COE Investigator Penichet contacted Mr. Barrios via phone, Barrios (not his true name) advised he was out of town for a while that may be why Investigator Mobley has not been able to get in contact with him. COE Investigator Penichet advised Mr. Barrios the Investigation he is referring to is continuing and if he has any other documents he feels can be of assistance he can forward them to me and I will make sure they reach Investigator Mobley. Mr. Barrios was provided with e-mail address and phone numbers. No other action required.

Case closed.