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Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

Memo

To: Michael Murawski, Advocate
From: Manuel W. Diaz, Investigator
Date: March 5, 2012
Re: K12- 032

With reference to the above investigation:

1. Ernesto Alonso (Alonso), Supervisor Miami-Dade Property Appraiser's Office, Homestead Exemption Investigation Unit was contacted. Alonso was provided with a copy of Pat Pascuzzo's (Pascuzzo) email to the COE alleging that Homestead Planning and Zoning Board Chairman, Edward Powell, received Homestead Exemption on two properties that he owned. He was also advised that the blog, [Homestead is Home](#) had an article outlining the allegations.
2. The Property Appraisers Office responded and provided a copy of an email directed to Pascuzzo advising him that Powell did own the two properties, however since one of the properties was purchased in 2011, Powell, as a new

owner, inherited the previous owner's exemption for 2011. The property tax exemption will be cancelled for 2012. (Copy in file)

The investigation is closed with no further action.