

December 17, 2007

Sridat Persaud, President  
S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc.  
(DBA R.G. Vending of America, Inc.)  
7300 SW 131<sup>st</sup> Ave.  
Miami, FL 33183

**Via First Class Mail and Fax at 305 385-5583**

**Re: INQ 07-183**

S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc., may register as a County vendor, as long as S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc., does not contract with the Miami-Dade Police Dept. and/or is not supervised by the Miami-Dade Police Dept. or Hancerani Persaud

Miami-Dade County Conflict of Interest & Code of Ethics at § 2-11.1 (c)

Dear Mr. Persaud:

In correspondence to our office on December 10 and 14, 2007, you said that you wish to register your business, S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc., as a County vendor.

The facts as we understand them are as follows:

1. Your mother, Hancerani Persaud, works for the Miami-Dade County Police Department as an Administrative Officer 2 in the Warrants Bureau of the Special Investigations Division.
2. S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc., which is owned by you, sells snacks and beverages through vending machines.
3. S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc., is seeking to register as a vendor in order to do business with the County.

It is the opinion of the Ethics Commission that S.R.I. Vending Company, Inc., may contract with the County as long as entering into the contract will not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of Hancerani Persaud's duties to the County. This includes the requirement that Hancerani Persaud not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of Hancerani Persaud's job responsibilities and job descriptions may require her to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination or forbearance. Finally, Hancerani Persaud may not work in the County department that will enforce, oversee, or administer the contract.

If any of the facts you have presented change, or if you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 305 350-0601.

Sincerely,

VICTORIA FRIGO  
Staff Attorney