

Meyers, Robert (COE)

From: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2007 12:08 PM
To: Minakowski, Denise (Seaport)
Subject: RE: Outside employment- conflict of interest

TPW 07-47

Denise,

Despite the fact that Wackenhut has no contract to provide security services at the Port and Port tenants do not utilize Wackenhut's services either, I have some reservations about this arrangement. My concern stems from the fact the Seaport Security Supervisor would be performing security for a County vendor at a Miami-Dade County facility. I have no problem with the employee working for Wackenhut off-duty, but I just don't feel comfortable with the employee assigned to a County facility.

Please understand that you have the authority to override this opinion and grant the request for outside employment. If you do, the employee needs to have the proper forms approved and file an income disclosure form at the appropriate time.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers, Executive Director
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From: Minakowski, Denise (Seaport)
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2007 5:44 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)
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Robert,

Thank you for your quick response. I will refer #3 to the County Attorney's Office/Risk Managements. I am not aware of any contract that Wackenhut has with the Port of Miami (I know the county specifically does not have a contract with them on the Port). I do not believe that any of their officers work here on the Port for any of our tenants either so the Seaport Security Officer will not have any interaction with them while here on the Port.

Thank you.
Denise

From: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2007 4:59 PM
To: Minakowski, Denise (Seaport)
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Denise,

I'm in no position to answer question #3 – I suggest you contact either the County Attorney's Office or Risk Management. Before I answer questions 1 and 2, can you tell be whether Wackenhut Corporation has a contract with the Port of Miami and whether the Seaport Security Supervisor you refer to in your e-mail could have an interact with Wackenhut while on duty as a County employee.

Thanks,

Robert Meyers

From: Minakowski, Denise (Seaport)
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2007 5:12 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)

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Mr. Meyers,

I have received a request for outside employment from one of my employees and I have reviewed the County Policy but still have a few questions. The employee in question is a Seaport Security Supervisor and he is requesting to work for Wackenhut Corporation as an armed security guard at a Miami Dade County facility.

1. Can a county employee work for a contractor of the county on another county facility?
2. The County pays for the Class D license (security officer) renewal. This license would be required to perform this security guard job. Is this a conflict of interest?
3. Does the fact that he will be working in an armed capacity have the potential to impact his health benefits or an workman's compensation issues?

Thank you for you help.

Kind Regards,

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