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February 19, 2010

Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk
City Hall, City of Coral Gables
405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Re: INQ 10-37, Financial Disclosure for Previously Exempt
Board Members

Dear Mr. Foeman:

In a letter dated February 17, 2010, you asked if certain advisory board members were required to file financial disclosure statements, based on legislation passed in 2008 that removed exemptions for these board members.

As you stated, to comport with a County ordinance, the City of Coral Gables passed Ordinance No. 2008-17, which, in effect, requires financial disclosure from certain city advisory board members who were previously exempt from filing.

It is our opinion that advisory board members who served after July 2008, when the City ordinance became effective, must abide by the ordinance and file financial disclosure statements for 2008.

Previously exempt members of the city board that was dissolved in April 2009 by City Resolution 2009-105 are required to file financial disclosure statements for 2009, preferably within 60 days of the dissolution of the board.

Please feel free to contact me or Victoria Frigo at 305 350-0601 if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

ROBERT MEYERS
Executive Director