

**Meyers, Robert (COE)**

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**From:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 13, 2010 11:03 AM  
**To:** Voschin, Joyce (MDPD)  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Legal Opinion - Outside Employment

Ms. Voschin:

There is no conflict of interest for you to complete this form due to the fact the Miami-Dade Community Action Agency is administering the program. Conflicts are created when county employees seek to transact business with their departments. In your particular case, you are employed by the Police Department, not the Community Action Agency, which means no conflict of interest exists.

If you have any additional questions, please forward them to me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert Meyers, Executive Director  
 Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

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**From:** Voschin, Joyce [mailto:jvoschin@mdpd.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 12, 2010 4:03 PM  
**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Cc:** O'Donnell, James J. (MDPD); Lewis, Janet L. (MDPD); Duran, Ivonne V. (MDPD); Diers, Robert L. (MDPD); Gonzalez, William M. (MDPD)  
**Subject:** Request for Legal Opinion - Outside Employment

This e-mail serves as my request for a legal opinion regarding a situation that arose as a result of my outside employment. One of our tenants, who leases a house I co-own in Miami-Dade County, has advised that she is in need of emergency rental assistance and wishes to seek such financial assistance from the Miami-Dade County Community Action Agency (CAA), Emergency Food and Shelter Program. In order for her to be considered for emergency rental assistance to avoid eviction for nonpayment of rent, she has requested that we complete a Certification for Assistance form to guarantee provision of an additional 30 days of service from the date the document is signed and notarized. We were also asked to complete a Rent/Mortgage Assistance Request Form, in part, to reflect the rent paid and owed; and a Landlord Mortgage Agreement Form to be submitted by **April 14, 2010**. Once submitted, if the CAA responds positively to her request for rental assistance, a two-party check would be provided to us (landlord and tenant).

I would like to assist our tenant and her family by completing the aforementioned documents; however, as a result of my employment with Miami-Dade County, I need to ensure that a conflict of interest will not exist by doing so. Copies of both one-page forms are available upon request. If you require additional information, please contact me via e-mail or at 954-472-8049. Your prompt reply will be appreciated.

Thank you,

Joyce Voschin

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