

Frigo, Victoria (COE)

From: Frigo, Victoria (COE)
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2012 1:08 PM
To: Moore, Shania (COC)
Cc: Bofill, Carmen (Elections); White, Christina (Elections); Cave, Linda (COC); Centorino, Joseph (COE)
Subject: Financial Disclosure for D. Kipnis (INQ 12-113)

Shania,

As a member of the County Climate Change Advisory Task Force in 2011, Capt. Dan Kipnis is required to file a financial disclosure form with the County Elections Department this year.

Filing with the City Clerk of Miami Beach does not satisfy the County Code. Only compliance with State financial disclosure provisions of the Florida Statutes satisfies compliance under the County Code. (See County Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (i)(1)(c).)

The County Ethics Commission is empowered to enforce the County Ethics Code against advisory board members who have not complied with financial disclosure requirements. The penalty for an intentional violation is \$1,000 for the first offense, plus investigative costs not to exceed \$500.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

VICTORIA FRIGO, STAFF ATTORNEY

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From: Moore, Shania (COC)
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2012 10:00 AM
To: Frigo, Victoria (COE)
Cc: Bofill, Carmen (Elections); White, Christina (Elections); Cave, Linda (COC)
Subject: D.Kipnis
Importance: High

Good morning Victoria, hope all has been well.

We seek clarification of the filing requirement for Capt. Dan Kipnis. Our records indicate he is a member of the Climate Change Advisory Task Force; however his email below indicates he filed a disclosure requirement with Miami Beach and is reluctant to file with the County.

Is he still required to file a financial disclosure form with the county? Any assistance you can provide would be much appreciated.

Regards,

Shania L. Moore

County Boards Coordinator

Clerk of the Board Division

111 NW 1st Street Suite 17-202

Miami, Fl. 33128

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shaniem@miamidade.gov

From: Lopez, Carolina D. (Elections)

Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2012 9:55 PM

To: 'kipnisd@atlanticbb.net'; Financial Disclosures (Elections)

Cc: Ruvin, Harvey (COC); 'jonah@miamibeachfl.gov'; Agrippa, Christopher (COC); Cave, Linda (COC); Moore, Shania (COC); White, Christina (Elections)

Subject: Re: Incomplete, Need Original

Good evening,

On behalf of Miami-Dade County, thank you for contacting us about fulfilling your financial disclosure filing requirement.

Each year, we receive a new list of filers that are subject to filing and our office simply serves as the notifier and records custodian for these forms.

Please note that when a filer is subject to financial disclosure in more than one jurisdiction (i.e. The federal, state, county or municipal government level), the filer would only required to fulfill the highest office filing requirement. So, if a filer has a filing requirement with the state and the county, the state filing would suffice. In your particular case, a county requirement would supercede a municipal requirement.

I also understand that your understanding is that the county board was not active during the 2011 tax year. As such, I am requesting that the Clerk of the Board determine if you should in fact file an original financial disclosure form with our office for the preceding tax year.

In the meantime, if our office may be of any further assistance, kindly contact me or Carmen Bofill, Financial Disclosure Coordinator, at 305-499-8413 or via email at financial.disclosures@miamidade.gov.

From: Captain Dan Kipnis [<mailto:kipnisd@atlanticbb.net>]

Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2012 09:26 PM

To: Financial Disclosures (Elections)

Cc: Ruvin, Harvey (COC); Wolfson, Jonah <jonah@miamibeachfl.gov>

Subject: Re: Incomplete, Need Original

The county board that I served on sunsetted. It does not exist any more. I did the EXACT same paperwork required for the County for Miami Beach's Board (May 2012). The law states that I only need to do it once. Read the requirement on the form. Get the original paperwork from MB, call the clerks office!!!! **This is the problem with bureaucracy**. Have Miami Beach send over the original signed financial disclosure statement. I volunteer for these boards at **great time and expense**. I will not file the same form twice! Send this to your boss or charge me with a crime, **PERIOD!!!!**

Captain Dan Kipnis

305-672-3807

On 7/5/2012 6:25 PM, Financial Disclosures (Elections) wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for the information, as member of a County Board and a Municipality Board we need an original signed form for each Board you serve. So the one you send to Miami Beach as a Marine Authority stays with Miami Beach. Since you serve in CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY TASK FORCE which is a County Board we need an original signed hardcopy for our records.

In the meantime, if we may be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact our office.

Regards,

Carmen Bofill
Financial Disclosures Coordinator
Miami-Dade County Elections Department
2700 NW 87th Avenue
Miami, Florida 33172
305-499-8413 Office
"Delivery Excellence Everyday"

-----Original Message-----

From: Captain Dan Kipnis [<mailto:kipnisd@atlanticbb.net>]
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2012 4:26 PM
To: Financial Disclosures (Elections)
Subject: Re: Incomplete, Need Original

The city of Miami Beach has the original as I sit on the MB marine Authority. Ask the MB Clerk for it.

Thanks,
Dan Kipnis

On 7/5/2012 2:52 PM, Financial Disclosures (Elections) wrote:

Thank you for submitting your 2011 tax year financial disclosure form to our office. In processing the document, we noticed that it was not originally signed. As the records custodian for these documents, we are required to obtain the original signed and dated hardcopy. Please submit the original via postal mail or hand-delivery to:

Miami-Dade Elections Department
Attn: Financial Disclosure Section
2700 NW 87th Avenue
Miami, Florida 33172

In the meantime, if we may be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact our office.

Regards,
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