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Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2013 3:56 PM
To: 'Kelvin.Reese@skadden.com'
Cc: Steinback, Robert (COE); Centorino, Joseph (COE); Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)
Subject: Lobbyist training requirement for Ira Smelkinson (INQ 13-171)
Attachments: lobbyist-registration-withdrawal.pdf

Mr. Reese,

We understand that Ira Smelkinson registered to lobby Miami-Dade County on January 9, 2013, but that he has not appeared as a lobbyist in the County this year.

Please advise Mr. Smelkinson to file a "Notice of Withdrawal" form (attached) with the Clerk of the Board and to send a copy to Robert Steinback at RobertS@miamidade.gov at his earliest convenience.

Once the "Notice of Withdrawal" form is received by the Clerk of the Board, Mr. Smelkinson will *not* be required to take the lobbyist ethics course in 2013. However, should he re-register this year or any time in the future, he must take the lobbyist ethics course within 60 days of registering.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 5:26 PM
To: Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE); Francis, Claude (COC)
Subject: FW: Your lobbyist training requirement
Importance: High

Good afternoon – I am writing on behalf of Ira Smelkinson in response to the email below. Mr. Smelkinson submitted a registration for 2013 but intended to withdraw it shortly thereafter, having no intention of doing any lobbying in Miami-Dade this year. Would it be possible for him to submit a termination form now, making it retroactively effective? And would this eliminate the requirement for him to complete training?

Regards,

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From: Steinback, Robert (COE) [<mailto:ROBERTS@miamidade.gov>]
Sent: Friday, July 05, 2013 10:09 AM
To: Smelkinson, Ira (FID)
Subject: Your lobbyist training requirement



July 5, 2013

Dear Ira Smelkinson,

Section 2-11.1 (s)(2)(d) of the County Code requires each lobbyist to submit a certificate of completion of an ethics course approved by the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (COE) to the Clerk of the Board within 60 days after registration, unless they have taken the course within two years prior to registration.

The COE is currently reviewing all persons currently registered as lobbyists in Miami-Dade County to determine if this requirement has been satisfied. Our initial review has indicated that you have not completed the course requirement. Failure to complete this course can result in suspension of your county lobbying privileges.

We request that you do one of the following in the next 10 days:

- v Use the attached form to sign up for an upcoming COE Ethics Training Class on July 16 (video) or August 15 (live class).
- v If you have taken the COE Ethics Training Class within the last two years and you believe our initial review of your status is in error, please e-mail Rodzandra Sanchez, rodzand@miamidade.gov to help us correct the record of your attendance.
- v It has been the general practice of this office to accept the City of Miami's Ethics Training Course, offered by Florida International University, as satisfaction of the course requirement. If you have taken that course within the last two years, please e-mail a copy of your certificate of completion, or other proof that you have done so, to Rodzandra Sanchez, rodzand@miamidade.gov. It is incumbent upon those who choose this option to contact the COE office with proof of having completed that course.
- v If you have registered as a lobbyist but no longer wish to maintain your registration, please e-mail Rodzandra Sanchez, rodzand@miamidade.gov and also Miami-Dade lobbyist registrar Claude Francis, CMF@miamidade.gov, indicating your change in status.

You may also fax the COE office at 305-579-0273, or mail to Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics, 19 W. Flagler St., Suite 820, Miami, FL 33130.

Regards,

Rodzandra Sanchez
Coordinator of Administration
Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

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