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Ms. Eve M. Lewis Assistant City Attorney Coconut Creek City Hall 4800 West Copans Road Coconut Creek, FL 33063

August 7, 2018

Re: Independent Contractor Agreement for Special Magistrate Services

Dear Ms. Lewis:

As you mentioned the City Commission will on August 9, 2018 be considering my application to be re-appointed to the position of Special Magistrate. This letter is intended to give the Commission some sense of my qualifications in the area of code enforcement and the law. I have served as the City of Coconut Creek's Special Magistrate for a number of years and would hope to be reappointed to that position.

As set out in the attached resume, my professional work experience includes past positions as City Attorney for the City of Tamarac, Assistant County Attorney for Broward County, Assistant City Attorney for the City of Coral Springs and Assistant City Attorney for the City of Sunrise In those positions I spent considerable time acting as counsel to either a city commission, local government zoning board, board of adjustment or code enforcement board. I currently serve as staff counsel for quasi-judicial hearings before the City of Hollywood City Commission and Hollywood Planning and Development Board.

In addition to my law degree, I have a Master's Degree in Public Administration from The Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Furman University.

My past professional work experience in code enforcement has included, at one time or another, serving as a code enforcement special magistrate for cities in Broward County, Palm Beach County and Dade County. I currently teach an eight part, thirty hour seminar on the legal aspects of code enforcement for the Florida Atlantic University Institute of Government. The seminars are offered to local government code officers as part of a state wide certification program governed by the Florida Association of Code Enforcement.

In 2001, at the request of the Palm Beach County Commission and in conjunction with the Florida Atlantic University Institute of Government, I conducted a comprehensive analysis of the operation and procedures of the Palm Beach County Code Enforcement Department. The Final Report for this study along with its recommendations was formally presented to the Palm Beach County Commission in November of 2001.

Thank you and the City Commission in advance for taking the time to consider the matters set out in this letter. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Richard L. Doody, Esq., P.A. (1999- Present)

Tucker & Tighe P. A. (1992 - 1999)

City of Coral Springs, FL Assistant City Attorney (1991)

City of Tamarac, FL City Attorney (1987-1990)

Broward County, FL Assistant County Attorney (1982-1987)

Adjunct Instructor

(1992 - Present)

(1992 - 2005)

Private law practice with an emphasis on governmental and administrative law

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Assist the City Attorney in advising City Commission and City Departments emphasis on land use and zoning matters

Legal Counsel to City Council and City Manager, City Departments

Assist the County Attorney in providing legal Counsel to Board of County Commissioners and County Staff

Florida Atlantic University, Institute of

Government

Barry University, 1st Amendment and Press Florida Atlantic University, Local Government, **Judicial Process** 

## EDUCATION:

Harvard University Kennedy School of Government Cambridge, Mass

Nova Southeastern University School of Law, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Furman University, Greenville S.C.

Master of Public Administration (MPA)

awarded March 1991

Juris Doctor (JD) awarded 1980

Bachelor of Arts Awarded June 1975