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Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors' Notification to Los Angeles County Charter Schools Regarding Deadline for Conflict of Interest Code Adoption and Submittal

Following the recent opinion by the Fair Political Practices Commission (A-19-239), the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is notifying Los Angeles County charter schools of their obligation to adopt a conflict of interest code in compliance with the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Govt. Code § 81000, et. seq.) and requiring that charter schools submit a conflict of interest code to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, as the Code Reviewing Body, with some deadlines as early as **June 30, 2020**.

If your charter school has a conflict of interest code in place that has previously been directly approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors or the Fair Political Practices Commission (i.e., because you operate in multiple counties), then this notification is likely inapplicable to your organization. In such a case, if your conflict of interest code is up to date, you will want to contact the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and let them know your compliance is current. However, if you have a “bridge code,” in other words, if your charter school was included as a designated position within your authorizer’s conflict of interest code and was previously required to comply with your authorizer’s conflict of interest code, then this notification impacts your organization and you will need to submit your own conflict of interest code to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors’ notification outlines the required contents of a conflict of interest code and a detailed process for conflict of interest code submission. Due to the fast approaching summer deadlines for conflict of interest code submission we recommend that affected charter schools begin the process of drafting a conflict of interest code or updating the current code, and gathering the documentation required by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

For additional information about conflict of interest code drafting or submission, please contact Wayne Strumpfer at wstrumpfer@mycharterlaw.com or Kimberly Rodriguez at krdriguez@mycharterlaw.com. We can be reached at 916-646-1400 or visit our website at www.mycharterlaw.com.

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