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STATE OF MISSOURI

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At the September 1, 2005 meeting of the Missouri Ethics Commission, your request for an opinion was discussed. The following is the Commission's response to your question:

*As an employee with the county ambulance district and also a county commissioner, can I take part in contract negotiations, litigation, etc., with the ambulance district?*

Sections 105.454 and 105.458, RSMo state that you cannot use your position for financial gain for yourself, your spouse, or dependent children. You also cannot use your position for financial gain for any business with which you are associated.

In this case you are an employee of the ambulance district and you receive no financial gain from the negotiations with the county. The Commission stated that you may take part in negotiations and vote on matters affecting the ambulance district.

Sincerely,

R. F. Connor  
Executive Director

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NOTICE

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