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Dear [REDACTED]

The Board of Ethics has reviewed the charter for the Chicago Advisory Council on Disability contained in Chapter 7.3 of the Municipal Code of Chicago to determine whether the Commission's Board members will be required to file Statements of Financial Interests with the Board of Ethics.

Section 26.2-15 of the Ethics Ordinance states that appointed officials who serve on an agency that is "solely advisory in nature" are not required to file an annual Statement of Financial Interests. For an agency to be classified as "solely advisory in nature", it cannot have any authority to (1) make binding decisions, (2) enter into contracts or (3) make any expenditures other than those incurred for research purposes.

Based on a review of Chapter 7.3 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, it is the opinion of the Ethics Board that the Chicago Advisory Council on Disability meets all three of the requirements necessary for classification as an agency that is "solely advisory in nature". We therefore exempt all of the Commission's Board members from the requirement of filing a Statement of Financial Interests.

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Sincerely,

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