



**CUYAHOGA COUNTY  
AGENCY OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL**

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**NAILAH K. BYRD**  
Inspector General, Cuyahoga County

December 27, 2012

To: All Cuyahoga County Contractors, Vendors, Consultants or Service Providers  
From: Nailah K. Byrd, Inspector General  
RE: Contractor Debarment Ordinance No. O2012-0026

Dear Contractor, Vendor, Consultant, or Service Provider:

Effective December 11, 2012, Cuyahoga County Council adopted a contractor debarment ordinance that will allow the Agency of Inspector General to ban corrupt companies from conducting any business with the County for up to five years.

Companies or individuals convicted of a crime or with civil judgments against them anywhere in the U.S. within the past five years may be barred from contracting or subcontracting with the County under the Council's anti-corruption measure. Bans of up to three years could be imposed for a variety of lesser offenses, including unfair trade practices, attempting to influence public employees, and delinquent federal, state or local taxes.

The full text of the Cuyahoga County Debarment Ordinance listing the grounds for debarment and the debarment procedures can be found at the Agency of Inspector General's website: <http://inspectorgeneral.cuyahogacounty.us>.

If you have any information about County contractors engaging in illegal activity you can report the information in a number of ways including:

- The "Whistleblower" Hotline: 216-698-2999
- Fax: 216-698-2218
- The "Report a Concern": <http://inspectorgeneral.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/report-a-concern.aspx>.
- The United States Mail: Cuyahoga County Agency of Inspector General, 1219 Ontario Street, Room 300, Cleveland, OH 44113

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Assistant Inspector General Karl Strohschein at 216-698-5083.

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