

Ms Cutajar and Mr Farrugia did not return their fee. Ms Cutajar denies having received the cash. The Commissioner for Standards in Public Life is investigating Ms Cutajar. In an affidavit Mr Camilleri submitted to the Commissioner, he said that, two days after receiving the money, Ms Cutajar called him and confirmed the amount after she counted it with her father. Mr. Camilleri has now filed a judicial letter calling on Ms Cutajar and Mr Farrugia to return the money.

June 2019 – Mr Fenech promises financial help to Ms Cutajar

See Times of Malta report [here](#).

On 3 June 2019, Ms Cutajar asked Ms Fenech for help with a political survey in her district and Mr Fenech agreed. Seven days later, Mr Fenech assured Ms Cutajar that she could rely on him and reminded her that he was to give her some money. Ms Cutajar said they could speak about it at a later date.

August 2019 – Ms Cutajar takes €9,000 cash payment from Mr Fenech

See Times of Malta reports [here](#) and [here](#).

In August 2019, Ms Cutajar accepted a €9,000 cash payment from Ms. Fenech. Mr. Fenech bundled the €9,000 with the €31,000 in cash which he paid as a brokerage fee on the Mdina property deal when he secured a bank loan for the property deal. He handed over the €40,000 cash pile to Ms Cutajar and later informed her that he had added €9,000 for her to the €31,000 brokerage fee. Ms Cutajar told Mr Fenech that there was no need to pay her, but she took the €9,000 cash payment and handed over the rest of the money to Carmel Farrugia. Ms Cutajar now insists she never did any business with Mr Fenech. See Times of Malta reports [here](#) and [here](#).

Addendum 2: the relevant rules of conduct

7. Members shall respect the values of the Council of Europe and the general principles of behaviour of the Assembly and not take any action which would cause damage to the reputation and integrity of the Assembly or its members.

8. Members shall avoid conflicts between any actual or potential economic, commercial, financial or other interests on a professional, personal or family level on the one hand, and the public interest in the work of the Assembly on the other, by resolving any conflict in favour of public interest; if the member is unable to avoid such a conflict of interests, it shall be disclosed.

9. Members shall draw attention to any relevant interest by an oral declaration in any proceedings of the Assembly or its committees, or in any relevant communications.