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Re:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida v. Benita A. Roberts

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Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for your records please find a copy of the School Board's Final Order in the above-referenced case. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sehior Assistant/School Board Attorney

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J. D. Parrish, Administrative Law Judge

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STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,

Petitioner.

v.

BENITA A. ROBERTS.

Respondent.

CASE NO.: 02-0835

FINAL ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

THIS CAUSE having come on for hearing before The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, at its regular meeting of December 10, 2003, upon the Recommended Order by the duly appointed Administrative Law Judge, recommending that the School Board's action of suspending and dismissing Respondent Benita A. Roberts from employment, and the School Board having been fully advised in the premises, it is hereby ordered by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, that:

- The Administrative Law Judge's findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendation, attached hereto, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Final Order of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida;
- 2. Benita A. Roberts' suspension and termination from employment is hereby sustained; and
- 3. Benita A. Roberts be and is hereby dismissed from her employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and shall forfeit all compensation for the period of her suspension.

DONE AND ORDERED this 10th day of December, 2003.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE

By:

Chai

Filed with the Clerk of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida this 2 th day of December, 2003.

APPEAL OF FINAL ORDER

This Order may be appealed by filing 2 copies of a notice of appeal accompanied by a filing fee, as set out in section 120.68(2), Florida Statutes and Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.110(b) and (c), within thirty (30) days of the rendition of this Final Order.