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July 29, 2015

The Honorable Rick Scott  
Governor, State of Florida  
The Capitol, 400 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Re: Complaint No. 14-141, In re STEVEN MIRO

Dear Governor Scott:

The Florida Commission on Ethics has completed a full and final investigation of a complaint involving Mr. Steven Miro, a former candidate for Miami-Dade Community Council. Pursuant to Section 112.324(8), Florida Statutes, we are reporting our findings and recommending appropriate disciplinary action to you in this case.

Enclosed are copies of our final order and of our file in this matter. As we have found pursuant to a stipulation that Mr. Miro violated Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes, in the manner described by our order, we recommend that you publicly censure and reprimand him and impose a civil penalty upon him in the total amount of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars), penalties which he has agreed to be subjected to and to pay. If we may be of any assistance to you in your deliberations, please do not hesitate to contact us. We would appreciate your informing us of the manner in which you dispose of this matter. For information regarding collection of the civil penalty, please contact the Office of the Attorney General, Ms. Melody Hadley, Assistant Attorney General.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Virlindia Doss".

Virlindia Doss  
Executive Director

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Steven Miro, Respondent  
Ms. Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate  
Mr. Juan Carlos Planas, Complainant

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BEFORE THE  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re STEVEN MIRO,	)	
	)	Complaint No. 14-141
	)	
Respondent.	)	
	)	
_____	)	Final Order No. 15-027

FINAL ORDER AND PUBLIC REPORT

The State of Florida Commission on Ethics, meeting in public session on July 24, 2015, adopted the Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order entered into between the Advocate for the Commission and the Respondent in this matter.

In accordance with the Stipulation, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, the Commission finds that the Respondent, as a candidate for Miami-Dade Community Council, violated Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes, by failing to disclose real property on his CE Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, for the year 2013.

For the violation, in accordance with the Stipulation, the Commission hereby recommends public censure and reprimand and a civil penalty in the total amount of \$500.00, penalties which the Respondent has agreed to be subjected to and to pay.

ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in public session on  
July 24, 2015.

July 29, 2015  
Date Rendered

  
Stanley M. Weston  
Chair

cc: Mr. Steve Miro, Respondent  
Ms. Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate  
Mr. Juan Carlos Planas, Complainant

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BEFORE THE  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re: Steven Miro,

Respondent.

Complaint No. 14-141

**JOINT STIPULATION OF FACT, LAW, AND RECOMMENDED ORDER**

Respondent, Steven Miro and the Advocate for the Florida Commission on Ethics enter into this Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order with respect to the above-styled Complaint. Subject to acceptance by the Commission on Ethics, the parties agree that they enter into this stipulated settlement in lieu of further hearings in this cause. The parties stipulate as follows:

**STIPULATED FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. At all times material to this Complaint, Respondent was a candidate for Miami-Dade Community Council, and as such was subject to the provisions of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes.
2. On August 27, 2014, a sworn Complaint was filed with the Commission on Ethics alleging that Respondent had violated the Code of Ethics.
3. Pursuant to Section 112.322, Florida Statutes, the Executive Director of the Commission on Ethics found that the Complaint was legally sufficient and ordered a preliminary investigation of the Complaint for a probable cause determination of whether Respondent had violated the Code of Ethics. The Report of Investigation was released on January 16, 2015.
4. On March 6, 2015 the Commission on Ethics found probable cause to believe Respondent had violated Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes. The allegation is:

Respondent violated Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes, by failing to disclose real property on his CE Form 1, "Statement of Financial Interests," for the year 2013.

5. Respondent admits the facts as set forth in the Report of Investigation, which is specifically incorporated by reference in this Joint Stipulation.

#### **STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

6. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Part III, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees.

7. The Commission on Ethics has jurisdiction over the Complaint as filed in this proceeding and over Respondent.

8. Respondent violated Section 112.3145, Florida Statutes, by failing to disclose real property on his CE Form 1, "Statement of Financial Interests," for the year 2013.

9. Respondent admits the allegation as set forth in paragraph four (4) of the Stipulated Findings of Fact, above.

#### **STIPULATED RECOMMENDED ORDER**

10. The Advocate accepts Respondent's stipulation in this proceeding.

11. The Advocate and Respondent have entered into this Joint Stipulation and urge the Commission on Ethics to approve it in lieu of further hearings before the Commission in this cause.

12. Therefore, the Advocate recommends that:

(a) The Commission on Ethics approve this Joint Stipulation, embodying the stipulations, admissions, and recommendations of the parties; and

(b) The Commission on Ethics enter a Final Order and Public Report consistent with this Stipulation finding that Respondent violated Section 112.3145,

Florida Statutes, by failing to disclose real property on his CE Form 1, "Statement of Financial Interests," for the year 2013 and recommending:

- (1) Public censure and reprimand of Respondent; and
- (2) A civil penalty of \$500.00

#### **FURTHER STIPULATIONS**

13. Respondent and the Advocate stipulate and covenant that they have freely and voluntarily entered into this Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order with full knowledge and understanding of its contents. Respondent and the Advocate further stipulate and covenant that this Joint Stipulation constitutes the full agreement of the parties and that there are no oral or written understandings between the parties other than those contained in this Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order.

14. Respondent and the Advocate stipulate and covenant that, in consideration of the provisions of this Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order, Respondent and the Advocate accept and will comply with the above-referenced Final Order and Public Report of the Commission on Ethics.

15. Respondent and the Advocate stipulate that this Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order is submitted to the Commission on Ethics for its consideration and ratification. In the event that it is not approved by the Commission on Ethics as written, this document shall be of no purpose and effect and shall not be deemed an admission by Respondent.

16. Effective upon approval of this Joint Stipulation of Fact, Law, and Recommended Order by the Commission on Ethics, Respondent waives all time, notice, and hearing rights, requirements, and entitlements, as to all subsequent hearings in this proceeding.

Signed, dated and entered into:

this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2015.



Melody A. Hadley  
Advocate for the Florida  
Commission on Ethics  
Florida Bar No. 0636045  
Office of the Attorney General  
The Capitol, PL-01  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050

this 17 day of June, 2015.



Steven M. ...  
Respondent  
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Miami Springs, Florida 33166