STATE OF FLORIDA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

Friday, January 21, 2022

Third Floor Courtroom, First District Court of Appeal 2000 Drayton Drive Tallahassee, Florida

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

At 8:32 a.m. Chair JoAnne Leznoff called the meeting to order with the following members present:

MICHELLE ANCHORS ANTONIO CARVAJAL DON GAETZ GLENTON GILZEAN, JR. JOHN GRANT JOANNE LEZNOFF WILLIAM MEGGS JIM WALDMAN

The presence of a quorum was noted.

Chair Leznoff announced that Travis Cummings had resigned from the Commission.

Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Gaetz, moved to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2021, Public Session meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION - DOAH RECOMMENDED ORDER

Referral No. 19-174, In re WILLIAM "BIL" SPAUDE

Present were Eugene Dylan Rivers, Attorney for the Respondent; and Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Hadley summarized the proposed recommended order.

Mr. Rivers was heard by the Commission.

Commissioner Gaetz, seconded by Commissioner Grant, moved to approve the recommended order. The motion carried, with Commissioner Waldman voting no.

CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION – JOINT STIPULATION

Complaint No. 18-020, In re JOSEPH KILSHEIMER

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Commissioner Carvajal disclosed that he is acquainted with the Respondent. Commissioner Gaetz disclosed that his wife received a phone call regarding this complaint, but terminated the call prior to receiving any information regarding the case.

Present were Mark Herron, Attorney for the Respondent; and Elizabeth A. Miller, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Miller summarized the proposed joint stipulation calling for a finding of violation of Sections 112.313(6) and 112.3148(8), Florida Statutes, with a recommendation of public censure and reprimand, a civil penalty of \$2,500, and restitution of \$668.

Mr. Herron was heard by the Commission.

Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Gilzean, moved to approve the proposed joint stipulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Complaint No. 18-141, In re ANDREANA JACKSON

Present were Mark Herron, Attorney for the Respondent; and Elizabeth A. Miller, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Miller summarized the proposed joint stipulation calling for a finding of violation of Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, with a recommendation of public censure and reprimand, and a civil penalty of \$1,500.

Mr. Herron was heard by the Commission.

Commissioner Grant, seconded by Commissioner Carvajal, moved to approve the proposed joint stipulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE APPEALS

NO HEARING

No one was present for any of the appeals.

FD19-078, In re DEBORAH BEUTEL

Staff Attorney Suhail Chhabra explained the basis of the draft final order and the rationale behind his conclusion, and requested the ability to orally amend the draft final order to waive the fine and rescind the default final order.

Commissioner Carvajal, seconded by Commissioner Gaetz, moved to approve the staff's recommendation as orally amended, regarding the above-referenced appeal. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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FD20-033, In re SARAH JOHNSTON FD20-034, In re ROBERT CALHOUN FREDERE, JR. FD20-035, In re SCOTT L. OLSON FD20-036, In re MATTHEW HARRY FERNANDEZ FD20-037, In re GIANNINA GABRIELA MASELLI

Commissioner Waldman, seconded by Commissioner Anchors, moved to consider the above-referenced appeals en mass. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Commissioner Gilzean, seconded by Commissioner Carvajal, moved to approve the staff's recommendations, regarding the above-referenced appeals. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Commissioner Carvajal, seconded by Commissioner Grant, moved to approve the adoption of the Annual Report, with added language. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

REPORTS

The Chair had no report.

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman elaborated on the legislative update previously provided to the Commissioners.

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman updated the Commission on the e-filing system.

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman elaborated on her written report previously provided to the Commissioners. She also introduced new clerk, Alex Rudd.

Vice Chair Grant presented Commissioner Leznoff with a plaque for her time as Chair.

SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Commissioner Meggs, seconded by Commissioner Carvajal, moved to nominate Commissioner John Grant as Commission Chair. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Commissioner Meggs, seconded by Commissioner Gaetz, moved to nominate Commissioner Glen Gilzean as Commission Vice-Chair. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items on the agenda, the Public Session adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,	Approved:	
Diana Westberry, Secretary	John Grant, Chair	
	Date	

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