MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

In Re: Ximena Nuñez   C 20-01-01

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PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER

Complainant, Richard Rosen (Rosen) filed this complaint against Ximena Nuñez ((Nuñez). Nuñez is the Director of Communications for The Children's Trust (the Trust). Rosen alleged that Nuñez violated Section 2-11.1(t) of the County's Ethics Code, *Cone of Silence*, during the 2019 Advertising Creative Mini-bid (AC Mini-bid), by engaging in communications prohibited by the Cone of Silence.

Previously, a different complainant, filed a virtually identical complaint against Nuñez making the same allegation. That complaint, C19-41-10, was resolved by this Commission at the December 11, 2019 meeting. It was determined in that case that any violation of the Cone of Silence by Nuñez was inadvertent since investigation showed that it was clear Nuñez had been mis-informed about the applicability of the County's Cone of Silence to the AC Mini-bid and in fact, Trust officials and personnel believed for years that a process similar to the mini-bid solicitation process was not under the County's Cone of Silence regulations. This Commission dismissed C19-41-10 and ordered a Letter of Instruction be issued to Nuñez.

Since the allegation in this complaint is identical to the allegation raised in C19-41-10, the Ethics Commission determined that this complaint should be dismissed and that the same Letter of Instruction should be issued.

On February 12, 2020, the Ethics Commission dismissed the complaint and Ordered that this complaint be included in the Letter of Instruction to be issued.

Final Order   In Re: Ximena Nuñez   C20-01-01
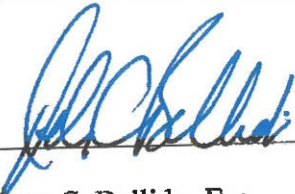
Wherefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that COMPLAINT C20-01-01 against Respondent Ximena Nuñez is hereby dismissed.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on February 12, 2020.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

By: _____

Nelson C. Bellido, Esq.
Chair

Signed on ___2/25/2020_____