



**In re: Mark James Shuman**

**C21-07-04**

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## **PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER**

The Ethics Commission Advocate filed a complaint against Mark James Shuman (Shuman) an employee of the Miami-Dade County Medical Examiner's Office for violating Section 2-11.1(k) (2) of the Miami-Dade County Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance entitled "Prohibition on outside employment."

Investigation showed that on or about January 2013 through 2019, Shuman had been employed in several capacities, with the majority of the outside income deriving from the following four categories of work: "Locum tenens," Medicolegal consulting, Private autopsies, and Turks and Caicos Island consult cases, in addition to his employment with Miami-Dade County.

Investigation also showed that on or about June 6, 2019 Respondent filed the disclosure required by Section 2-11.1(k) (2) of the Code disclosing his employment with Private Families and Law Firms, Law Firms and Other FL ME Districts & Las Vegas, NV for the year 2018, but failed to accurately report the amount of income he made from said outside employment.

Additionally, it was determined that on or about August 17, 2020 Respondent filed the disclosure required by Section 2-11.1(k) (2) of the Code disclosing his employment with Private Families & Law Firms, Law Firms, Other FL ME Districts & Las Vegas, NV, and Turks & Caicos Islands Police (Criminal Investigations Department) for the year 2019 but failed to accurately report the amount of income he made from said outside employment.

Shuman stipulated to a finding of Probable Cause and entered a plea of "No Contest" agreeing to pay a fine of \$500 in satisfaction of Count I and accept a Letter of Instruction in satisfaction of Count II.

On April 14, 2021, the Ethics Commission accepted the Stipulation to Probable Cause and ratified the Settlement Agreement proposed by the Advocate.

Wherefore it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that Respondent, Mark James Shuman entered a plea of No Contest to the charge of violating Section 2-11.1(k) (2) of the Miami-Dade County Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics ordinance. He is Ordered to pay a fine of \$500.00 and be issued a Letter of Instruction.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS  
& PUBLIC TRUST

By:

  
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Nelson C. Bellido  
Chairman

Signed on : 4/22/2021