



Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics & Public Trust

Investigative Report

Investigator: Breno Penichet

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| Case Number: K14-095 | Case Name: Tyrone White | Date Open: | CASE CLOSED Date: <u>10/8/14</u> |
| | Subject(s): Tyrone White | August 26, 2014 | |

Allegation(s):

The COE received an anonymous tip from a concerned citizen advising that Tyrone White (White) was a Police Major with the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD). While there he was the coach/manager of a not-for-profit football team comprised of MDPD officers. In February and March 2010, White received two checks in the amounts of \$8,645.15 and \$14,079.08 from Sun Life Stadium.

The checks were determined to be for monies due to MDPD by the stadium for regular off-duty jobs that were performed by MDPD officers. Due to a clerical error, the checks were made out to "Miami-Dade Police Department Football Coach: Tyrone White, Robbery Bureau." The complainant further stated that White used his position and official MDPD stationary to prepare a letter addressed to the Government Employees Credit Union (GECU).

The purpose of this specific letter was to open a General Ledger (GL) account in the name of "MDPD Athletics." According to the source, White proceeded to deposit the two (2) checks into the GL account and used the monies to his benefit by using sloppy book keeping techniques according to an Internal Affairs (IA) investigation. (See I. A. Case # 2011-0244).

Relevant Ordinances:

Exploitation of official position, Sec. 2-11.1(g), Miami-Dade Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance: “No person included in the terms defined in Subsection (b) (1) through (6) and (b)(13) shall use or attempt to use his or her official positive to secure special privileges or exemptions for himself or herself or others...”

Investigation:

Document/Audio/Video Review:

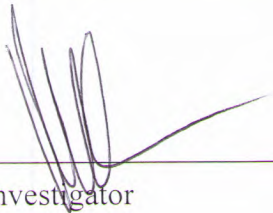
1. MDC records.
2. EDMS files - found that White was terminated on August 28, 2013 with the notation of do not re-hire.
3. Internal Affairs report (I.A. 2011-0242) revealing that White was charged with numerous violations of departmental rules and regulations. (White was charged with 26 violations of department rules and regulations.)
4. Findings of the “Disposition Panel” composed of three (3) ranking members of the MDPD. The members sustained more than half of the charges.
5. Memo dated 11/20/ 2012 by MDPD Detective Yelanda Jacinthe, I.A. case # 2011-0244.
6. DVD with statements taken in the course of the IA investigation.
7. Memo dated 12/17/2012 by Major Raul Ubieta Narcotics Bureau, Ref: “Disposition of panel” findings.
8. Personnel Change Document showing termination status for violations of departmental rules, dated 8/28/2013.

Conclusion(s):

After discussion with COE Advocate Michael Murawski, he advised that no further action would be taken due to the fact that White is no longer employed by MDC and it appears that the actions he engaged in were done beyond the three year statute of limitations.

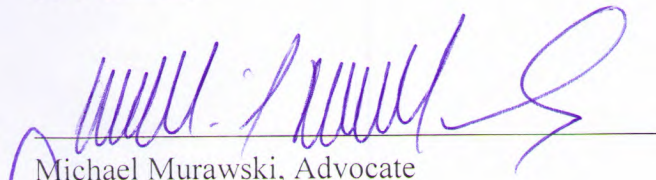
Moreover, these allegations were investigated by the Internal Affairs Unit of the MDPD, and it was determined that White did commit the infractions that were alleged. White was subsequently terminated and made to pay back the money.

Accordingly, this case should be closed.

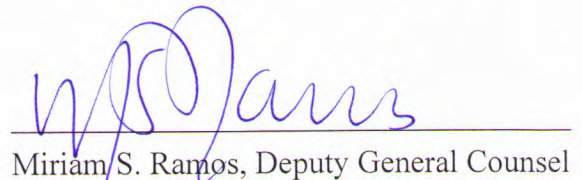


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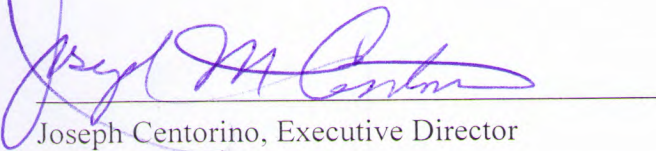
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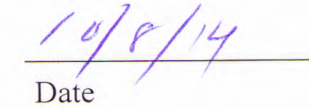
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