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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

In re: Harvey Ruvin /

Case No: 07-40

**PUBLIC REPORT AND ORDER DISMISSING COMPLAINT**

Mattie Lomax filed the above-captioned complaint against Harvey Ruvin ("Respondent"), Clerk of Courts, for alleged violation of Section 2-11.1(g) (misuse of official position). The complaint alleged the Respondent improperly failed to provide Lomax notice of pending contempt proceedings and failed to conduct an investigation of Lomax's allegations that the deputy clerk provided a false affidavit.

Lomax filed a complaint with the Respondent alleging that a deputy clerk had provided false evidence to the Third District Court of Appeal. According to the allegations in the complaint, the Respondent did not investigate these allegations. Lomax also alleged that the Respondent's office did not provide her a copy of the affidavit or the Order to Show Cause.

On December 19, 2007, the Ethics Commission found the complaint legally insufficient because the Ethics Commission does not have jurisdiction over the Respondent. The Respondent is a state official. Thereafter, after reviewing the complaint and being otherwise advised in the premises, the Ethics Commission ordered the complaint dismissed.

Therefore it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT** the Complaint is **DISMISSED** for lack of jurisdiction.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust in public session on December 19, 2007.

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION  
ON ETHICS AND PUBLIC TRUST**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Kerry Rosenthal  
Chairperson

cc: Alan Adrian Taylor  
Mattie Lomax