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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

In re: Ismael Perera

Case No: 09-09

PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER

The Advocate filed the above-captioned complaint against Ismael Perera ("Respondent") for violation of Section 2-11.1(s)(2) (lobbying) of the Code of Miami-Dade County. The complaint alleged the Respondent lobbied Commissioner Bruno Barreiro regarding a rental car contract.

The Respondent's firm, Royal Rent-A-Car, leased rental car space at Miami International Airport. In December, 2008, the County awarded the Royal rental car space to Enterprise Leasing and E-Z Rent-A-Car. The Respondent's lobbyist encouraged him to meet with members of the Board of County Commissioners and request reconsideration of the board action. The complaint alleged the Respondent met with Commissioner Barreiro on December 17, 2008 to discuss the

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matter. The Respondent was not registered as a lobbyist on the date of the alleged meeting.

On May 29, 2009, the Ethics Commission found the complaint legally sufficient. Subsequently, the Ethics Commission granted the Respondent's *ore tenus* motion for a continuance of the probable cause determination. On June 23, 2009 the Ethics Commission granted the Respondent's motion for continuance. On July 27, 2009, the Advocate requested a continuance in order to conduct further investigation.

On August 27, 2009, the Advocate filed a Motion to Dismiss the above-captioned complaint. The Advocate stated that further investigation contradicted the allegation that the Respondent had met with Commissioner Barreiro. Thereafter, after reviewing the Motion to Dismiss and the other pleadings, hearing the argument of the Advocate and being otherwise advised in the premises, the Ethics Commission ordered the complaint dismissed.

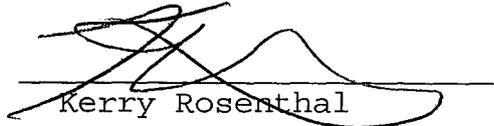
Therefore it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT** the Complaint is  
**DISMISSED.**

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust in public session on August 27, 2009.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION  
ON ETHICS AND PUBLIC TRUST

By:

  
Kerry Rosenthal  
Chairperson

cc: Robin Lukacs, Attorney for Respondent