



**MIAMI-DADE  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST**

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLA.  
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In re:

**C 14-17**

**Sandra Ruiz**

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**PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER**

Citizen Felipe Madrigal filed an ethics complaint against Respondent, Sandra Ruiz, Councilwoman in the City of Doral (Ruiz). The complaint alleged that Ruiz violated Sections 2-11.1 (d)(g) and (z)<sup>1</sup> of the Miami-Dade County Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics ordinance by interceding on behalf of a former Doral employee, Tony Rodriguez who had brought a lawsuit against Doral alleging improper termination from the City. An investigation was conducted by the Ethics Commission's Advocate and no evidence was uncovered to support the allegations. Moreover the relationship between Ruiz and Rodriguez is not a prohibited relationship under the voting conflict section of the County ordinance.

On April 16, 2014, in open session, the Ethics Commission found there was no probable cause to sustain the complaint and dismissed it.

Therefore it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that COMPLAINT C 14-17 against respondent Sandra Ruiz is hereby concluded.

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<sup>1</sup> 2-11.1(d) is the voting conflict ordinance, 2-11.1(g) is entitled Exploitation of official position prohibited and 2-11.1(z) is the Prohibition on participation in settlement negotiations.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on April 16, 2014.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS  
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By: 

Nelson Bellido

Chair

Signed on: 4/28/2014

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