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MIAMI-DADE  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

In re:

C 14-53

Robert Yaffe

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**PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER**

Respondent, Robert Yaffe (Yaffe), is an attorney and also mayor of Bay Harbor Islands (the Town). Yaffe represented a client, 9300 condominium association (9300 Condo) in Bay Harbor Islands, in two real estate transactions (an easement and a quit-claim deed) involving the transfer of property from the Town itself. Investigation determined that there were a number of 11-foot dedications of land by many Town properties to the Town years ago, to facilitate the creation of reserved parking and sidewalks.

Subsequently, the Town determined that they did not have the authority to construct private parking on what, after the dedication, had become public land. The Town came up with a strategy to gradually quit-claim the 11-foot strips throughout the Town back to the original property owners. It was in one of these transfers that Yaffe represented a private client.

On January 14, 2015, in open session, the Ethics Commission found that there was Probable Cause to sustain the complaint and accepted Respondent's No Contest plea and ordering him to pay \$250 investigative costs and accept a Letter of Instruction.

Therefore it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that COMPLAINT C 14-53 against Respondent, Robert Yaffe, is hereby concluded.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON  
ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

By:

  
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Nelson C. Bellido  
Chair

Signed on : 1/15/2015