

CLERK OF THE BOARD

2016 JUN 30 AM 9: 29

CLERK OF THE BOARD & COUNTY DEPT
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLA.
#1



COPY

MIAMI-DADE
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

In re:

C 15-30

Hyppolite v. Pierre

_____ /

PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER

The complainant, Jonathon Hyppolite (Hyppolite), filed this complaint against Respondent, Frantz Pierre, Councilman in the City of North Miami Beach and a member of the Haitian Evangelical Baptist Church, Inc. (HEBC). Hyppolite is also a member and Secretary of the Board of Directors of HEBC. Hyppolite alleged that Pierre exploited his official position, in violation of §2-11.1(g) of the County Ethics Code, when he contracted two Miami-Dade County off-duty detail police officers for a meeting held at the church on November 8, 2015, to discuss the legality of the Board. While at the meeting, Hyppolite alleged that Pierre ordered the officers to remove two Board members who were causing a disruption during the meeting.

Investigation revealed that Pierre did not hire the off- duty detail nor did he order the removal of the Board members during the meeting.

On March 9, 2016, the Ethics Commission agreed with the Staff Attorney's recommendation of a finding of no probable cause. In open session, the Ethics Commission voted unanimously to dismiss the instant case against Respondent Pierre.

Therefore, it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Complaint C 15-30 is hereby dismissed.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on March _____, 2016.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION
ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

By: 
Judge Lawrence Schwartz
Chair

Signed on this date: April 6, 2016