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MIAMI-DADE
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

C 17-30

In re:

Planas

v.

Douglas Hornsby and Robert Switkes

PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER

Complainant, J.C. Planas (Planas), filed this complaint against North Bay Village Commissioner Douglas Hornsby (Hornsby) and North Bay Village Attorney Robert Switkes (Switkes). Planas alleged that Hornsby and Switkes made a series of false statements at a May 9, 2017 council meeting regarding an alleged criminal conviction from Hornsby's past in violation of the Truth in Government provision of the Citizens' Bill of Rights.

Investigation determined that Hornsby did have his voting rights restored in 2005 as he had claimed. Moreover, a review of the May 9, 2017 Village meeting determined that all of the statements made which Planas alleged to be false were in fact true. Accordingly, there was no probable cause to support the allegations in the complaint.

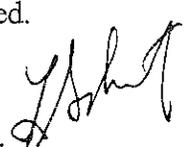
On December 14, 2017, in open session, the Ethics Commission found that there was No Probable Cause to support the allegations in the complaint and dismissed the complaint.

Wherefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that COMPLAINT C 17-30 is hereby concluded.

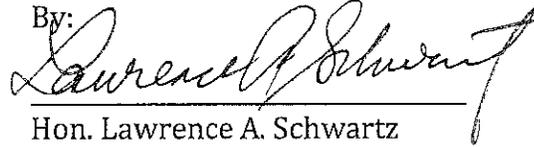
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Final Order


DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on this 14th day of December, 2017.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON
ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

By: 

Hon. Lawrence A. Schwartz
Chairman

Signed on : 12-20-17