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

In re: WILFRED PIERRE
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C 10-21

**FINAL DISMISSAL ORDER
REVERSING DEFAULT JUDGMENT & ORDER TO PAY**

The Assistant Advocate for the Commission on Ethics filed the above-referenced COMPLAINT on April 22, 2010, against RESPONDENT Wilfred Pierre, a member of the City of Miami Equal Opportunity Advisory Board. The COMPLAINT alleged that Mr. Pierre violated Sec. 2-11.1(i)(1) of the County Ethics Code when he failed to file, by July 1, 2008, a financial disclosure form for the year 2007.

Pursuant to the Code of Miami-Dade County, Sec. 2-1068, the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission extends "to any person required to comply with the ... County or municipal Code of Ethics Ordinances." The County Ethics Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (i)(1), *Financial disclosure*, states that municipal advisory board members must file by July 1st of each year "an itemized source of income statement, under oath and on a form approved by the County for said purpose."

On May 3, 2010, the Ethics Commission staff found the COMPLAINT to be LEGALLY SUFFICIENT based on documentation presented by the City Clerk for the City of Miami. On May 19, 2010, the Ethics Commission found PROBABLE CAUSE existed to charge RESPONDENT with failure to file financial disclosure for 2007. Subsequently, the Ethics Commission staff made numerous attempts to contact RESPONDENT, in person and via certified mail, to advise him of the COMPLAINT against him. On June 11, 2010, a Certified Letter Return



August 16, 2010

OFFICE OF THE
INDEPENDENT ADVOCATE
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
COMMISSION ON ETHICS
& PUBLIC TRUST

Wilfred Pierre
1133 Belle Meade Island, Dr. E, Suite D
Miami, FL 33138

MICHAEL P. MURAWSKI
ADVOCATE

HAND DELIVERED

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS
ASSISTANT ADVOCATE

Re: C10-021

Dear Mr. Pierre:

Enclosed please find the "Default Judgment and Order to Pay" issued July 2, 2010 by the Chairman of the Commission on Ethics (COE). The judgment was entered against you for failing to file your financial disclosure form and ignoring all notices sent by the COE. As stated in the judgment, you now owe fine of \$500.00.

This fine must be paid by **September 15th**. Failure to pay the full fine or make arrangement to do the same, will result in further legal action against you.

If you have any questions, I may be reached at (305) 579-2594.

Sincerely,

M. S. Ramos
Miriam S. Ramos, Esq.
Assistant Advocate

Danielle
Pierre
8/17/10

Enclosures

Served at:

1435 N.E. 154 St.

UMBC.

Evangeline Cheryl Pierre, wife

Receipt was signed by a party at RESPONDENT's address acknowledging delivery of the notice of the public hearing to be held on this matter.

A public hearing in this matter was held on June 23, 2010. The Independent Advocate was present. Although RESPONDENT had received adequate notice, as evidenced by the Certified Letter Return Receipt signed on June 11, 2010, and was provided an opportunity to be heard, RESPONDENT was not present at the public hearing.

On June 23, 2010, the Ethics Commission granted the Assistant Advocate's MOTION for a DEFAULT JUDGMENT, finding that RESPONDENT had failed to timely file a financial disclosure form. Pursuant to the Code of Miami-Dade County, Sec. 2-11.1 (bb)(1), the Ethics Commission fined RESPONDENT five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for violating Sec. 2-11.1(i)(1).

On August 31, 2010, RESPONDENT appeared in person before the Ethics Commission and appealed the DEFAULT JUDGMENT. The Ethics Commission reversed the DEFAULT JUDGMENT at its discretion, finding that the undue financial hardship the order created would not serve the public interest.

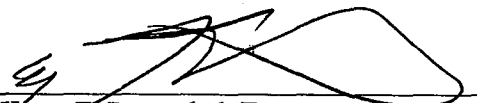
Therefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT the Ethics Commission grants RESPONDENT's MOTION TO REVERSE the DEFAULT JUDGMENT in this matter.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on August 31, 2010.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON
ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

By:


Kerry E. Rosenthal, Esq.
Chairman

Signed on this date: 9/7/10

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