

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

**Friday, March 4, 2022**

*Third Floor Courtroom, First District Court of Appeal  
2000 Drayton Drive  
Tallahassee, Florida*

**PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

At 8:33 a.m. Chair John Grant called the meeting to order with the following members present:

ANTONIO CARVAJAL  
DON GAETZ  
GLENTON GILZEAN, JR.  
JOHN GRANT  
JOANNE LEZNOFF  
WILLIAM MEGGS  
JIM WALDMAN

Michelle Anchors was absent from the meeting.

The presence of a quorum was noted.

**Commissioner Gaetz, seconded by Commissioner Leznoff, moved to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2022, Public Session meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**

**CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION – DOAH RECOMMENDED ORDER**

**Complaint No. 18-090, In re DAPHNE CAMPBELL**

Commissioner Leznoff, Commissioner Waldman, Commissioner Gilzean, and Commissioner Gaetz disclosed that they are acquainted with the Respondent.

Present were James Jean-Francois, Attorney for the Respondent; and Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Hadley summarized the proposed recommended order.

Mr. Jean-Francois was heard by the Commission.

**Commissioner Meggs, seconded by Commissioner Leznoff, moved to approve the recommended order. Commissioner Gaetz suggested an amendment to the motion to increase the civil penalty to \$7,500 for each allegation.**

**Commissioner Meggs, seconded by Commissioner Waldman, moved to approve the recommended order, with the increased civil penalty. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**

**CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION – PRE-PROBABLE CAUSE JOINT STIPULATION**

**Complaint No. 21-162, In re CYNTHIA STUART**

Commissioner Gilzean and Commissioner Grant disclosed that they are acquainted with the Respondent.

Present was Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Hadley summarized the proposed pre-probable cause joint stipulation calling for a finding of violation of Article II, Section 8, Florida Constitution, and Section 112.3144, Florida Statutes, with a recommended civil penalty of \$1,000.

**Commissioner Leznoff, seconded by Commissioner Meggs, moved to approve the proposed pre-probable cause joint stipulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**

**CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION – JOINT STIPULATION**

**Complaint No. 15-085, In re COLLEEN REILLY**

Present was Elizabeth A. Miller, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Miller summarized the proposed joint stipulation calling for a finding of violation of Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, with a recommendation of public censure and reprimand, and a civil penalty of \$3,500.

**Commissioner Gaetz, seconded by Commissioner Gilzean, moved to reject the proposed joint stipulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**

**Complaint No. 20-144, In re GABRIEL GARCIA**

Present was Elizabeth A. Miller, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Miller summarized the proposed joint stipulation calling for a finding of violation of Article II, Section 8, Florida Constitution, and Section 112.3144, Florida Statutes, with a recommended civil penalty of \$500.

**Commissioner Leznoff, seconded by Commissioner Carvajal, moved to approve the proposed joint stipulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**

**Complaint No. 21-093, In re DALE V.C. HOLNESS**

Commissioner Gilzean and Commissioner Waldman disclosed that they are acquainted with the Respondent.

Present were Hans Ottinot, Attorney for the Respondent; and Elizabeth A. Miller, Commission Advocate.

Ms. Miller summarized the proposed joint stipulation calling for a finding of violation of Article II, Section 8, Florida Constitution, and Section 112.3144, Florida Statutes, with a recommended civil penalty of \$1,000.

Mr. Ottinot was heard by the Commission.

**Commissioner Carvajal, seconded by Commissioner Leznoff, moved to approve the proposed joint stipulation. The motion carried, with Commissioner Waldman voting no.**

**CONSIDERATION OF ADVISORY OPINION**

**File 2787. CONFLICT OF INTEREST; VOTING CONFLICT: MEMBER OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM SERVING AS OFFICER IN CORPORATION WHOSE PARENT COMPANY OWNS SEPARATE SUBSIDIARY DOING BUSINESS WITH A STATE UNIVERSITY**

Commissioner Carvajal, Commissioner Gaetz, and Commissioner Waldman are acquainted with Board Member Eric Silagy.

Vikki Shirley, Requestor, was present.

Assistant General Counsel Gray Schafer explained the basis of the draft advisory opinion and the rationale behind its conclusion.

Ms. Shirley was heard by the Commission.

**Commissioner Gilzean, seconded by Commissioner Waldman, moved to approve the draft opinion. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.**

**REPORTS**

The Chair had no report, but thanked the Commission and staff.

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman elaborated on her written report previously provided to the Commissioners. She also introduced new clerk, Rachel Campbell and the Advocate's new assistant, Alexandria Morgan.

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Executive Director Kerrie Stillman elaborated on the legislative update previously provided to the Commissioners.

Executive Director Kerrie Stillman updated the Commission on the e-filing system.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items on the agenda, the Public Session adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

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Diana Westberry, *Secretary*

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John Grant, *Chair*

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Date