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COMMISSION ON ETHICS

BEFORE THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re DAVID LAW, Respondent.	)))))	Complaint No. 23-094

ORDER FINDING PROBABLE CAUSE

Based on the preliminary investigation of this complaint and the recommendation of the Commission's Advocate, the Commission on Ethics finds that there is probable cause to believe the Respondent, who serves as the chair of the Board of Supervisors of the Coquina Water Control District Board, violated Section 112.3143(3), Florida Statutes, by voting on a matter(s) that inured to his or a relative's special private gain or loss and/or failing to follow disclosure requirements.

The Commission also finds, based on the preliminary investigation of this complaint and the recommendation of the Commission's Advocate, that there is probable cause to believe the Respondent violated Section 112.3135, Florida Statutes, due to his son's employment position with the Coquina Water Control District.

The Commission also finds, based on the preliminary investigation of this complaint and the recommendation of the Commission's Advocate, that there is probable cause to believe the Respondent violated Article II, Section 8(h)(2), Florida Constitution, by using his position to obtain a disproportionate benefit for himself and/or his son.

The Commission also finds, based on the preliminary investigation of this complaint and the recommendation of the Commission's Advocate, that there is probable cause to believe the Respondent violated Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, by using his position to benefit himself and/or his son.

Therefore, the Commission on Ethics orders a public hearing as to whether the Respondent violated Article II, Section 8(h)(2), Florida Constitution, and Sections 112.313(6), 112.3135, and 112.3143(3), Florida Statutes, as set forth in the paragraphs above. A formal notice of hearing of the matters on which probable cause has been found will be prepared and sent to the Respondent and to the Advocate.

Under Commission Rule 34-5.020, F.A.C., the Commission may resolve this complaint proceeding through a stipulation, settlement, or consent order entered into by the Respondent and the Commission's Advocate and approved by the Commission. If the Respondent wishes to pursue a settlement of these matters, he should contact the Commission's Advocate at (850) 414-3300 to discuss the terms of a possible settlement.

ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in executive session on Friday, December 1, 2023.

December 6, 2023
Date

Ashley Lukis
Chair, Florida Commission on Ethics

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cc: Mr. David Law, Respondent
Ms. Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate
Ms. Tonya Schumacher, Complainant