

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of August 25, 1999

August 16, 1999

Office of School Board Attorney
Johnny Brown, Board Attorney

**SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v.
STEPHEN CHASE - DOAH CASE NO. 98-2803**

On June 10, 1998, the School Board suspended teacher Stephen Chase from his employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and instituted dismissal proceedings against him. A hearing was requested and the case was tried on June 1, 1999, before DOAH Administrative Law Judge Linda M. Rigot in Miami, Florida.

By recommended order entered July 14, 1999, the Administrative Law Judge sustained the School Board's charges of immorality, gross insubordination, and conduct unbecoming a School Board employee, and recommended that the School Board enter a final order sustaining the suspension without pay of Stephen Chase and dismissing him from employment.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida adopt the recommended order of Administrative Law Judge in DOAH Case No. 98-2803, affirming the suspension without pay of Stephen Chase, dismissing him from all employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida as of June 10, 1998, and denying any claim for back pay.

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