

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of February 9, 2000

January 26, 2000

Office of School Board Attorney
Johnny Brown, Board Attorney

**SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v.
MARGARET B. MITCHELL - DOAH CASE NO. 99-0753**

On February 10, 1999, the School Board suspended teacher Margaret B. Mitchell from her employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and instituted dismissal proceedings against her. A hearing was requested and the case was tried on October 19, 1999, before DOAH Administrative Law Judge William J. Kendrick in Miami, Florida.

By recommended order entered December 28, 1999, the Administrative Law Judge sustained the School Board's charges of immorality, misconduct in office, and conviction of a crime of moral turpitude, and recommended that the School Board enter a final order sustaining the employee's suspension without pay and dismissing Margaret B. Mitchell from employment with the School Board.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida adopt the recommended order of the Administrative Law Judge in DOAH Case No. 99-0753, affirming the suspension without pay of Margaret B. Mitchell, dismissing her from all employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as of February 10, 1999, and denying any claim for back pay.