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SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v. WILNER SAINT JUSTE - DOAH CASE NO. 00-2937

On June 21, 2000, the School Board suspended teacher Wilner Saint Juste from his employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and initiated dismissal proceedings against him for misconduct in office and violations of School Board Rules 6Gx13-4A-1.21, Responsibilities and Duties, and 6Gx13-5D-1.07, Corporal Punishment-Prohibited. A hearing was requested and the case was tried on March 1, 2001, before DOAH Administrative Law Judge Claude B. Arrington in Miami, Florida.

By recommended order entered July 18, 2001, the Administrative Law Judge sustained the School Board's charges and recommended that the School Board enter a final order upholding the employee's suspension without pay and terminating Wilner Saint Juste's professional services contract.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida enter a final order in the case of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida v. Wilner Saint Juste, DOAH Case No. 00-2937, adopting the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order upholding the suspension without pay of Wilner Saint Juste and terminating his professional services contract with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida as of June 21, 2000, and denying any claim for back pay.

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