

Office of Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of May 15, 2002

May 2, 2002

Office of School Board Attorney  
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**SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v. LIDIA ANN GONZALEZ - DOAH CASE NO.: 01-2414**

On May 16, 2001, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, took action to suspend school bus driver Lidia Ann Gonzalez from her employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and initiated dismissal proceedings against her for excessive absenteeism and abandonment of position; non-performance of job responsibilities; and violation of School Board Rule 6Gx13-4A-1.21, *Responsibilities and Duties*. The employee requested a hearing and the case was tried on October 25, 2001, before DOAH Administrative Law Judge Michael M. Parrish in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

By recommended order entered March 28, 2002, the Administrative Law Judge recommended that the School Board enter a final order sustaining the employee's suspension without pay and terminating Lidia Gonzalez from all employment with the School Board.

**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. Lidia Gonzalez, DOAH Case No. 01-2414, adopting the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order sustaining the suspension without pay of Lidia Gonzalez and terminating her from all employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

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