

Office of School Board Attorney
Walter Harvey, School Board Attorney

**SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v. R.L. -
Case No. 10-121 (Jackson)**

On February 14, 2011, the School Board administratively assigned Respondent, student R.L., from Kenwood K-8 Center to one grading period in alternative education in lieu of expulsion for violating the *Code of Student Conduct-Secondary* ("Code"). R.L. timely requested an administrative due process hearing to contest the charges and the assignment. The hearing was held on April 28, 2011, before Hearing Officer Keisha Jackson.

By Recommended Order entered May 23, 2011, the Hearing Officer found that the School Board had shown by a preponderance of the evidence that student R.L., while enrolled at Kenwood K-8 Center, had committed multiple violations of the *Code*. Accordingly, the Hearing Officer recommended that the School Board enter a final order sustaining the School Board's assignment of R.L. to an alternative educational placement for one successful grading period.

A copy of the Recommended Order is being furnished to the Board under separate cover along with a copy of the proposed Final Order.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, enter a Final Order adopting the Hearing Officer's Recommended Order in the case of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida v. R.L., Case No. 10-121(Jackson).