

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of November 18, 2015

November 4, 2015

Office of School Board Attorney
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**SUBJECT: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD v. ARLEEN GOMEZ, DOAH
Case No. 14-3005TTS**

On June 18, 2015, the School Board took action to suspend Respondent, Arleen Gomez, a teacher, without pay and initiated dismissal proceedings against including, but not limited to: Misconduct in Office, violations of School Board Policies, 3210-Standards of Ethical Conduct, and 3210.01- Code of Ethics. Respondent timely requested an administrative hearing, which was held on January 20, 2015 and February 17, 2015 before Administrative Law Judge, Cathy Sellers, of the Division of Administrative Hearings ("DOAH").

The Administrative Law Judge issued her Recommended Order on October 30, 2015. The Judge recommended that the School Board enter a Final Order terminating Respondent's employment.

We recommend that the School Board accept the Recommended Order as the School Board's Final Order. A copy of the Recommended Order is being furnished to the Board under separate cover with a copy of the proposed Final Order for the Board's consideration.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida adopt the Recommended Order of the Administrative Law Judge in its entirety as its Final Order in the case of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida v. Arleen Gomez, DOAH Case No. 14-3005TTS, terminating Respondent's employment.

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