



## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(D)1

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TO: Honorable Chairperson Bruno Barreiro, and  
Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 1, 2008

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk  
Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Ballot Appointment  
to the Independent  
Review Panel

Kay Sullivan, Director  
Clerk of the Board Division

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Please select one (1) nominee on the attached ballot to fill a vacancy on the Independent Review Panel (IRP) created by the term expiration of Michael R. Band (incumbent.)

Section 2-11.43 (a) of the County Code provides that the Board of County Commissioners shall appoint each IRP member from a slate of three (3) qualified persons submitted by a community group or organization as specified, to include the Dade County Bar Association.

The Dade County Bar Association has submitted the names of Michael R. Band, Joaquin E. Padilla, and Kenneth Walton as qualified candidates from which an appointment can be made.

The letter of recommendation and the resumes of each candidate are attached for your review.

KS: sm  
Attachments

**COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD BALLOT**

Miami-Dade County, Florida

**July 1, 2008**

**INDEPENDENT REVIEW PANEL**

**APPOINTMENT TO MICHAEL BAND  
Vote (✓) for One**

Michael R. Band (incumbent)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joaquin E. Padilla	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kenneth Walton	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Commissioner** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please *sign ballot*)

**Commission District Number** \_\_\_\_\_

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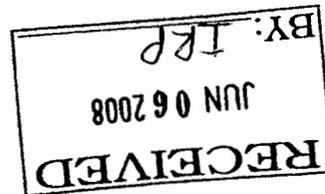
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June 5, 2008



Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro  
Board of County Commissioners  
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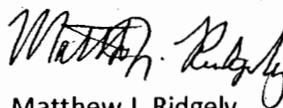
RE: DCBA's Representative to the IRP

Dear Chairman Barreiro:

The Dade County Bar Association submits Michael Band, Joaquin Padilla and Kenneth Walton as our nominees to the Independent Review Panel. Mr. Band is our first preference as he has previously served on the IRP and has indicated that his willingness to be reappointed. Enclosed are resumes for each.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

  
Matthew J. Ridgely

Enclosures

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Litigation

**Practice Groups:**  
Administrative &  
Compliance

Class Actions/Complex  
Litigations

Commercial Litigation

Entertainment, Arts &  
Sports

White Collar Criminal  
Defense

Michael R. Band is a Partner in the Firm's Miami office and practices primarily criminal defense. Mr. Band has substantial experience defending against federal and state prosecutions from the initial investigation through the appeal process. Mr. Band's primary areas of practice include grand jury investigations, internal corporate investigations, trial and related parallel civil and administrative litigation. Clients include companies, corporate officers and individual defendants

Representation of clientele encompasses a wide range of areas, including health care fraud and abuse, environmental statutes, tax and securities violations, conspiracy, continuing criminal enterprise, racketeering influence and corrupt organizations (RICO), money laundering, mail/wire fraud, political corruption, bribery, violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and homicide.

Mr. Band is the former Chief Assistant State Attorney in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida (Miami-Dade County). His tenure in the office included stints as a trial assistant in the major crimes and the organized crime/public corruption sections. He has also served as a Special Assistant United States Attorney and as a legal advisor to the State-wide grand jury. He has tried well in excess of one hundred jury trials. He is an AV- rated attorney by Martindale-Hubbell Lawyers Directory.

**EXPERIENCE**

- Criminal Litigation at trial and appellate level in state and federal courts throughout Florida and the country

**EDUCATION**

- J.D., University of Florida College of Law (1976)
- B.A., University of Florida (1974)

**INVOLVEMENT**

- Member, The Florida Bar
- Admitted to practice: United States Supreme Court, U.S. District Courts (All United States Districts in Florida), U.S. Court of Appeals (Fifth and Eleventh Circuits)
- Criminal Law Section of the Florida Bar (past Chair, Secretary, Treasurer)
- Criminal Rules Committee of the Florida Bar (past member)
- Dade County Bar Association (past Director and member of Executive Committee, Chair Criminal Law Committee and Judicial Poll Committee)

- Past Chair of Florida Bar Grievance Committee
- Past Gubernatorial Appointee to the Judicial Nominating Commission for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit
- Criminal Justice Council of the American Bar Association
- National Association of Criminal Defense Attorney
- Florida Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys Board of Directors (Miami chapter)
- Who's Who in American Law
- Vice President, Temple Beth Shalom
- Mayors Blue Ribbon Committee on Diversity (Miami Beach)
- Director, Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.
- Independent Review Panel (appointed by Miami-Dade County commission)
- Judicial Nominating Procedures committee, vice-chair

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Joaquin E. Padilla practicing in criminal law.

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Criminal Tax Cases

Assault & Battery

**Areas of Practice:**

Federal and State Criminal Defense of Serious and Complex Matters

**Bar Admissions:**

Florida, 2001

**Education:**

Loyola University New Orleans School of Law, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1998  
J.D.

University of California, Santa Barbara, California, USA, 1994

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Major: History

**Past Employment Positions:**

Office of the State Attorney, 11th Judicial Circuit, Miami, Florida, Assistant State Attorney, Division Chief, 2001 - 2004

**Languages:**

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## Kenneth Walton, Esq.

Written by Administrator

Saturday, 12 April 2008 02:52

As the founding member of the firm, Mr. Walton concentrates his representation primarily in the areas of real estate litigation, real estate transactions, and in state and federal civil litigation. Mr. Walton, is both licensed Florida mortgage broker and a title agent for Attorneys Title Insurance Fund and has extensive experience with mortgage law and particularly foreclosure law where he represents lenders, community associations, homeowners and investors. Mr. Walton also defends mortgage, title and real estate professionals in situations of alleged malpractice or misconduct.

Active in the community, Mr. Walton provides basic workshops and seminars to teach first time and other home buyers. The subjects include on how to shop for a mortgage, what best to do when selling your home, and what to do if you fall behind on your mortgage. Additionally, Mr. Walton is active in legal community including having served as the President of the Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. Bar Association; currently serving on an appointment on the Florida Bar Civil Rules and Procedure committee; and helped to expand the John W. Kozyak mentoring program to the all the law schools in South Florida. Mr. Walton is also a member of the Cuban American Bar Association, Florida Association of Women Lawyers, the Caribbean Bar Association, the National and Florida Associations of Mortgage Brokers.



Mr. Walton received his Juris Doctor from the University of Miami in 1998, where he was a James Weldon Johnson Fellow and Board of Trustees Scholar. Mr. Walton obtained a Bachelors of Science in Business Administration from the University of Illinois-Chicago in 1995, where he played on the baseball team, was a member of the honors college and received an award for mentoring excellence.

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