



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(C)1

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss, and
Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 6, 2010

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Appointment of David Kahn
to the Addiction Services
Board of Miami-Dade County

Diane Collins, Acting Division Chief
Clerk of the Board Division.

Diane Collins

It is recommended that the Board consider the appointment of David Kahn to serve as a member of the Addiction Services Board of Miami-Dade County.

In accordance with Section 2-422 of the Code, the Miami Coalition for a Safe & Drug Free Community is recommending that Mr. Kahn be appointed to serve as a "private sector" representative of the Addiction Services Board of Miami-Dade County.

A copy of the memoranda from Douglas W. Hughes, Executive Director of the Miami Coalition, and Michaela Doherty, Staff Director of the Addictions Services Board of Miami-Dade County has been included for your review.

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attachments

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY

Date: March 11, 2010

To: Diane Collins, Acting Division Chief
Miami-Dade County Clerk of the Board

From: Michaela Doherty, Staff Support
Miami-Dade County Addiction Services Board
Office of Grants Coordination

Subject: Addiction Services Board Appointees

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The Miami-Dade County Addiction Services Board (ASB), as established by Ordinance 90-144, is composed of nine public sector members, named by means of their position and nine private sector members nominated by the Miami Coalition For A Safe And Drug Free Community, and submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

I am forwarding you a request from Mr. Doug Hughes, Executive Director of the Miami Coalition to appoint Mr. David Kahn as a private sector member to the ASB. Mr. Kahn practices criminal law and frequently has clients who are dealing with substance abuse issues. His experience will continue to enhance the discussions and information sharing on the board. Please forward the nomination to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (305) 375-2108, should you require any additional information.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Attachments: Memoranda



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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 9, 2010

To: The Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners

From:  Douglas W. Hughes, Executive Director

**Subject: Appointment of David Kahn to the Miami-Dade County
Addiction Services Board**

On behalf of the Miami Coalition For A Safe And Drug Free Community, we request the appointment of David Kahn to the Miami-Dade County Addiction Services Board (ASB). Mr. Kahn has served on the ASB as the representative for the State Attorney. However, he recently resigned from his position there to pursue a career in the private sector. Mr. Kahn is actively involved in many civic and charitable organizations as well as local professional associations. He practices criminal law and frequently has clients who are dealing with substance abuse issues. His experiences and contacts will continue to enhance the discussions and information sharing that is a mainstay of the Board. He will continue to contribute to the ASB by providing his time and input toward achieving the goals of the Board.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (305) 854-4515 or (954) 594-1000.

David Joseph Kahn

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EMPLOYMENT

Office of the State Attorney, 11th Judicial Circuit, Miami, FL

Assistant State Attorney Narcotics Special Division Prosecution (11/07-Present)

Specialization in the prosecution of high-level Felony Drug Trafficking cases. Support local and Federal law enforcement agencies with ongoing and future Narcotic related investigations. Search and Arrest warrant review, Confidential Informant work and Complex motion practice. Provide extensive litigation and motion practice support to Division level Assistant State Attorneys

Assistant State Attorney Division Prosecution (09/05-11/07)

Practiced all in areas of State Trial level Criminal Prosecution including Misdemeanor, Juvenile and Adult Felony cases. Tried numerous Felony and Misdemeanor Jury Trials including 3 First Degree Murders and over 50 non-Jury Trials. Extensive and varied litigation and motion practice

Office of the State Attorney; Additional Experience

High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Multi-jurisdictional Marijuana Task Force (02/09 – Present)

Serve as a representative of the Office of the State Attorney Narcotics Division to plan regional, statewide and multistate marijuana drug enforcement operations. Act as a liaison between law enforcement and the State Attorney's Office. I have been personally present at over four operations including operations; "High Times", "D-Day", "Eagle Claw" and "Reindeer" proving full day and night warrant review and legal assistance from a command center and on scene when requested.

Addiction Services Board, Miami Dade Board of County Commissioners (02/09 – Present)

Serve on Behalf of the Honorable Katherine Fernandez Rundle to address community drug addiction issues and possible solutions. Topics range from funding concerns to pilot projects. Interact regularly with a wide variety of interested community leaders from various civic, private and governmental organizations. Assist in the implementation of proposals made at board meetings.

Office of the State Attorney; Screening Committee (11/08 – Present)

Participate in the screening and interview process for applicants who are seeking employment with the State Attorney's office.

Office of the State Attorney; Speakers Bureau (02/08 – Present)

I have donated my time to speaking at local schools and presenting to students how our office works to make our community safer on many occasions.

Office of the State Attorney; Community Outreach Division (01/28/09)

Attended a Sealing and Expungement Workshop at St. Michael's Church in the West Little Havana area of Miami as a volunteer.

EDUCATION

Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Juris Doctor Degree (5/05) Admitted to the Florida Bar (9/05)

University of Florida, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Gainesville, FL Bachelor of Arts Degree; Major in Sociology (5/02)

Certified Legal Internship Office of the State Attorney 11th Judicial Circuit Miami, Florida (09/04-11/04)

Assigned a personal caseload as a Full time Certified intern in the Juvenile Division. Tried over ten misdemeanor bench trials as well as felony bench trials. Drafted and argued against countless suppression and custody related motions

Summer Legal Internship Office of the State Attorney 11th Judicial Circuit Miami, Florida (06/04-08/04)

As a Full time summer intern assisted with file preparation and organization in the Felony Division. Performed extensive legal research and worked directly on State Victims Compensation Trust fund Claims. Spent countless hours in court observing numerous jury trials and motion arguments

Summer Law Clerkship Hall David and Joseph P.A. Miami, Florida (06/03-08/03)

As a Full time employee performed extensive Legal Research, Document Preparation and Trial Organization. Assisted with depositions, motion hearings and extensive client concerns

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COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Current Memberships

Kiwanis of Biscayne Bay;

Vice President—currently serve the organization in this capacity to assist in all of the organizations service related activities and planning of future projects. Organization goals include funding college scholarships for local students. I participate in monthly reading projects with third grade students at Santa Clara elementary school in the Allapattah / Wynwood neighborhood of Miami. Sponsor of local high school Key Clubs including Booker T. Washington Sr. High School in Overtown and Miami Springs Sr. High. Assist in planning and implementing numerous charitable and fundraising events throughout the year to benefit the organizations goals of helping children.

Membership Committee Chairmen – lead the organizations committee to recruit new members.

Leadership Miami- Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce

Currently participating in the organizations program to create a new community service program to address College Preparation and life skills for a group of 19 students at Miami Central High School.

Cuban American Bar Association;

Mentoring and Scholarship Committee – Active Member

Student Mentor- Meet with law students to discuss topics of interest about the practice of law and the legal profession

Dade County Bar Association – Active Member

Criminal Court Committee – Meet with local members of the Bar association to discuss issues facing the Criminal Justice System.

American Bar Association – Active Member

Criminal Justice Section

Prosecution Function Committee

Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division

Young Lawyers Division

League of Prosecutors -- Active Member

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Gator Lions Club Founder and President (Founding 8/01-01/02) (Elected 01/02 - 05/02) Founded and organized the first Lions club on a University campus in the state of Florida. Appointed and oversaw three vice presidents, two treasurers, an executive secretary, a board of directors and 42 new members. I established plans for future campus service endeavors including such causes as diabetes, blindness, and youth outreach. The organization continues to provide valuable community service with over 20 current members.

Little River Scholars Program Sponsor (01/08-Presesnt) I sponsored 2 cheerleaders, Kentja Miller & Kenisha Curry by providing funding for uniforms and expenses relating to participation in the program. This is a community based charity group Located in Little River between Opa Locka and Liberty City that provides after school extracurricular activities for youth and is an affiliate of Greater Miami South Florida Pop Warner. The children must maintain a level of academic achievement in order to participate. The two girls were members of the team that won 1st place in the local cheer competition and subsequently competed in the regional competition in Orlando Florida.

Community of Faith Baptist Church (01/08-Presesnt) Locate used desktop computers, printers, laptops and various equipment for donations to the organization to support future youth outreach programs. The church is based in Allapattah and serves the local community.

Gamma Sigma Alpha Service Chair (Appointed 1/02-5/02) Supported “Mind sight”, an art exhibition for the visually impaired.

Dance Marathon Corporate Sponsor (Spring1999 Spring2000) Supported the fundraising efforts for the Children’s Miracle Network as a corporate sponsor.

Mid-Florida Area Aging Agency (MFAAA) Volunteer Designed and created all aspects of a caregiver information support brochure for the agency

Downtown Art Studio (Founded 1/01-7/01) Secured a lease and provided studio space and equipment to University of Florida art students for no profit.

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ENTREPRENEURIAL

President of Freedom Entertainment Inc. (Founded 12/98) Worked over 1000 hours founding and running a private business while enrolled full time at the University of Florida. Contracted service with local Gainesville establishments installing, operating and maintaining Video Arcade Equipment

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Nova Southeastern University Organizations

Public Interest Law Society Social Coordinator (Appointed 01/05 - 05/05)

Environmental Law Society Director of Donations (Appointed 01/05 - 05/05)

Phi Alpha Delta (Active Member 01/05 – 05/05)

Florida Blue Key

Gator Growl Director of Video (Appointed 5/01-11/01) Oversaw three Assistant Directors, Responsible for all video aspects of the Gator Growl 2001 show

Gator Growl Coordinator of Promotional Video (Appointed 3/02-5/02) Organized all video footage and editing work as well as supervised two assistants

Assistant Director of Homecoming Pageant (Appointed 5/01-10/01) Supervised two assistants a sound engineer, Responsible for the filming and editing of the 2001 Homecoming Pageant

Video Coordinator of Homecoming Soul Fest (Appointed 10/01-11/01) Supervised two assistants, a sound engineer Responsible for the filming and editing of the 2001 Soul- Fest

ACCENT Speakers Bureau

Director of Corporate Affairs (Appointed 02/02 – 05/02) Oversaw and supervised three assistant directors, Responsible for soliciting funds from business to support Accent

Assistant Director of Corporate Affairs (Appointed 10/01-12/01)

Savant UF Leadership Honorary

Technical Director (Appointed 8/01–3/02) Responsible for technical and video aspects of organization events

Main Street UF Board of Advisors (Appointed 8/01-3/02) Advisement board member for Community ambassador program

BETA THETA PI

Social Chair (Elected 1/00-12/00) Responsible for all house social events

Brotherhood Chair (Elected 7/01-10/01) Planned Brotherhood events and Teambuilding activities

Sergeant at Arms (Elected 07/99-12/99) Enforced proper procedure and rules governing chapter meetings

Assistant Rush Chair (Appointed 01/00)

New Member Event Coordinator (Elected 07/97-11/97)

Bid Committee Member (Appointed 01/99-7/01)

Student Government Elections

Ignite Party Campaign Spokesman (Appointed 2/02-3/02)

Fusion Party Sorority Voting Director (Appointed 9/01-10/01)

Fusion Party Beta Theta Pi House Representative (Appointed 9/01-10/01)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Nova Southeastern Law School Pro Bono Gold Award (05/05)

Florida Blue Key Leadership Honorary (Tapped 04/02)

Savant UF Leadership Honorary (Tapped 12/01)

Gamma Sigma Alpha National Greek Academic Honorary (Tapped 1/02)

City of North Bay Village Outstanding Community Service Award

Miami Country Day Outstanding Art Achievement Award

National Scholastic Golden Key Award---Drawing displayed: Miami Art Museum (MAM) and National Gallery of Fine Arts, New York

Rhode Island School of Design Award RISD

LANGUAGES & FOREIGN TRAVEL

Languages: Fluent in Spanish

Travel Experience: Vast travel throughout Western and Eastern Europe, the Caribbean, British and U.S. Virgin Islands, South and Central America, China, Japan, Indonesia, Taiwan, Singapore, Greece, Turkey, Mexico, Canada and the entire Continental United States including Alaska.