



## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(C)1

To: Honorable Chairwoman Sosa, and  
Members, Board of County Commissioners

Date: October 21, 2014

From: Harvey Ruvin, Clerk  
Circuit and County Courts

Subject: Appointments to the  
Jackson Health System  
G.O.B. Citizens'  
Advisory Committee

Christopher Agrippa  
Director, Clerk of Board Division

The Board of County Commissioners' adoption of Ordinance 14-44 on May 6, 2014, provides for the creation of a nine (9) member General Obligation Bond Citizens' Advisory Committee for the Jackson Health System.

The Ordinance further provides that the Board of County Commissioner may ratify the appointment of four (4) advisory committee members designated by the President of the League of Cities; Chairperson of the Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation; Mayor of Miami-Dade County; Jackson Health Systems Labor Union; and an ex-officio member appointed by the Chairperson of the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees.

The Clerk has received the names of the following persons as designated by their respective agencies, to serve as members of the Jackson Health System General Obligation Bond Citizens' Advisory Committee:

- **Chad Friedman** – League of Cities
- **Martha Baker**- Jackson Health System Labor Union
- **Micheal Mena** – Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation

Attached for your information are copies of the letter of notification of appointment from Richard Kuper, League of Cities, Jennifer Lamont, Chief of Staff-SEIU Local 1991, and Eduardo "Eddy" Gonzalez, Chairman; Miami Dade Legislative Delegation.

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Attachments



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Mayor, West Miami

September 12, 2014

Darryl Sharpton  
Chairman, Public Health Trust  
UM/Jackson Memorial Medical Center  
Institute Annex, First Floor, Room 125B  
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Commissioner, City of Miami

Dear Chairman Sharpton:

On behalf of Miami-Dade County League of Cities President Cindy Lerner, I am pleased to inform you that Mr. Chad Friedman has been appointed to represent the League on the Jackson Bond Citizens' Advisory Board. Mr. Friedman's contact information is:

Weiss Serota Helfman  
2525 Ponce De Leon Blvd., Suite 700  
Coral Gables, FL 33134  
Phone: (305) 854-0800  
[cfriedman@wsh-law.com](mailto:cfriedman@wsh-law.com)

If you have any questions, need additional information or have any problems contacting Mr. Friedman please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Richard Kuper, Esq.  
Executive Director

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c.c. The Honorable Cindy Lerner  
President, MDCLC  
Chad Friedman, Esq.  
Attorney, Weiss Serota Helfman

## Moore, Shania (COC)

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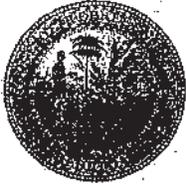
**From:** Fernando Miro <fernando@seiu1991.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 23, 2014 1:55 PM  
**To:** Moore, Shania (COC)  
**Subject:** From Jennifer LaMont, Chief of Staff, SEIU - Local 1991

Hello Ms. Moore:

Below please find contact information for Martha Baker. She is the Union's designee for the to the Advisory Committee.

Martha Baker, RN  
President, SEIU – Local 1991  
305-620-6555  
[Martha@seiu1991.org](mailto:Martha@seiu1991.org)  
18441 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
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Miami, FL 33169

Let me know if I can help you with any other information. Thank you.



**Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation**  
"Working Together for Miami-Dade"

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August 22, 2014

Darryl Sharpton  
Chairman  
Public Health Trust  
UM/Jackson Memorial Medical Center  
Institute Annex, First Floor, Room 125B  
Miami, FL.

RE: Dade Delegation Appointment to Jackson Health System General Obligation Bond Citizens' Advisory Committee

Dear Chairman Sharpton,

I, Eddy Gonzalez, as Chairman of the Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation, and in accordance with Ordinance 14-44 of the Board of County Commissioners, appoint Michael Mena to the Jackson Health System General Obligation Bond Citizens' Advisory Committee. Mr. Mena is a member of the Florida Bar in good standing and has over 10 years legal experience – his biography is attached.

Please feel free to contact Mr. Mena at [michael.mena@akerman.com](mailto:michael.mena@akerman.com) or 305-374-5600.

Sincerely,

Eduardo "Eddy" Gonzalez  
Chairman  
Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation

CC: Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman, Miami-Dade County Commission  
Jose F. Diaz, Vice Chairman, Dade Delegation  
R.A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney  
Carlos Migoya, President and CEO, Jackson Health System  
Eugene Shy, Assistant County Attorney  
Christopher Agrippa, Clerk of the Board  
Alina Hudak,  
Christina Crespi, Office of the Mayor



## Michael O. Mena



### Partner

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25th Floor  
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#### Practice Litigation

Michael Mena is a litigator whose practice focuses on all aspects of commercial and real estate litigation in federal and state court, with an emphasis on contract disputes, business torts, real estate litigation and commercial foreclosures, securities litigation, and internal investigations.

#### Education

J.D., Columbia University  
School of Law, 2004; *American  
Review of International  
Arbitration*, Senior Editor

B.A., University of Miami,  
2001; *cum laude, with honors*

#### Bar Admissions Florida

#### Areas of Experience

Broker-Dealer

Business Disputes

Commercial Mortgage Foreclosures & Receiverships

Real Estate Litigation

Securities Litigation

#### Representative Experience

- Represented alternative investment management firm in suit to foreclose on marina property arising from a default on a \$24 million loan facility, including defense against various lender-liability counterclaims.
- Represented national banking institution in \$1.7 million deficiency judgment against developer in a commercial foreclosure action.
- Represented one of the largest banking institutions in the Northeastern United States in a \$23 million foreclosure action

involving a multi-family complex in Broward County.

- Assisted in representing audit committee of NYSE-traded public company in the telecommunications industry in connection with internal investigation arising from whistleblower allegations of accounting and other fraud.
- Assisted in representing Fortune 1000 company in anti-takeover litigation seeking to prevent preliminary injunction and allow a \$6.59 billion merger to proceed to closing for a public company in the waste industry.
- Assisted in representing commercial lender in connection with the foreclosure of commercial shopping center in Plantation, Florida arising from a payment default on a \$42 million obligation.
- Designed and implemented compliance programs and codes of conduct and performed related internal investigations and reviews regarding corporate compliance, exposure to criminal liability, money laundering, and risk assessment.
- Defended a U.S. manufacturer of fertilizer in action filed by a South American farmer alleging crop damage due to application of fertilizer.
- Assisted in representing commercial real estate lender in the foreclosure of a partially completed condo/townhouse project arising from a default on a \$38 million loan facility.
- Assisted in representing multinational premium drinks and spirits companies in civil RICO actions and tort actions.
- Assisted in defending national banking institution in securities fraud class action, including managing large-scale discovery production and briefing successful motion to dismiss.
- Assisted in defending national banking institution in internal investigation by the United States Department of the Treasury's Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

#### *Awards & Recognition*

- *Super Lawyers Magazine* 2009-2014, Listed in Florida as a "Rising Star" for Business Litigation, Civil Litigation Defense, and Securities Litigation
- *Cystic Fibrosis Foundation* 2010, Recognized as a "40 Under 40, Outstanding Lawyer of Miami-Dade County"

- *Florida Trend's* Legal Elite 2009, Listed as an "Up and Coming" Lawyer

#### Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

#### Professional Memberships & Activities

- The Florida Bar, Business Law and International Law Sections, Member
- Cuban American Bar Association, Member
- Dade County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Member
- American Bar Association, Member
- Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Miami-Dade County, 40 Under 40, Outstanding Lawyer Committee
- Citizens' Transportation Advisory Committee of the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization, Former Member
- Belen Jesuit Alumni Lawyers Association, Community Service Chairman, 2009

#### Other Languages

- Spanish