



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(C)1

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime and
Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 15, 2016

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Appointment of Mr. Torin
Ragin and Ms. Hilda
Rodriguez to the Port of
Miami Crane Management,
Inc. Board of Directors

Christopher Agrippa, Director
Clerk of the Board Division

It is recommended that the Board consider the appointments of the following nominees to serve as members of the Port of Miami Crane Management, Inc. Board of Directors.

- Torin Ragin
- Hilda Rodriguez

Resolution R-671-99 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on June 8, 1999, established the Port of Miami Crane Management Inc., and its membership. In accordance with this Resolution and its By-Laws, the Board shall appoint, by majority vote, two (2) members to the Port of Miami Crane Management Inc. Board of Directors, each of whom shall have substantial managerial experience and an understanding of the maintenance and repair services for the cranes at the seaport.

Pursuant to Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz's Memorandum dated October 25, 2016, the names of Mr. Ragin and Ms. Rodriguez were submitted to the Clerk of the Board Division as qualified candidates to be appointed as members on the Port of Miami Crane Management Inc. Board of Directors.

Resumes have been attached for your review.

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Attachments

Memorandum

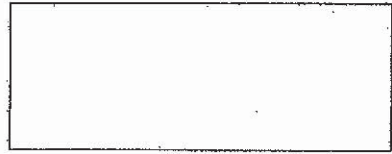


Date: October 25, 2016

To: Christopher Agrippa, Division Chief
Clerk of the Board

From: Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Chairman, Trade and Tourism Committee

Subject: Appointment of Voting Members to Port of Miami Crane Management, Inc.
Board of Directors



The Board of County Commissioners established by Resolution (R-671-99) the Port of Miami Crane Management, Inc. (Company), a not-for-profit private corporation to manage the maintenance of the Seaport's gantry cranes.

In accordance with the by-laws of the Company, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) shall appoint two (2) of the five (5) voting directors to the Company Board of Directors. Appointments approved by the Board shall serve a two (2) year term and may be re-appointed as approved by the Board.

To this effect, as Chair of the Trade and Tourism Committee, I hereby nominate Mr. Torin Ragin and Ms. Hilda Rodriguez for a term of (2) years. Attached are resumes for Mr. Ragin and Ms. Rodriguez.

Should you need additional information regarding Mr. Ragin and Ms. Rodriguez, you may contact Port Director/CEO, Juan Kuryla at 305-347-4844.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

TORIN RAGIN

892 S.W. 159TH DRIVE ▪ PEMBROKE PINES, FL 33027 ▪ (305) 333-1383 ▪ Torinragin@yahoo.com

SUMMARY: Goal oriented, energetic, personable and organized with experience in financial markets and the maritime industry.

EDUCATION: **Florida International University** – Enrolled in Executive MBA Program 2016

Towson University - Bachelor of Science, Specialization in Management 2000

WORK EXPERIENCE:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY, TREASURER

INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 1416

Miami, FL

January 2016-Present

- Serve on the Local 1416 Executive Board.
- Work closely with the local's CPA to ensure that all governmental regulations are followed for full compliance.
- Participate in all Local 1416 negotiations and attend all meeting, conventions or conferences that either directly or indirectly pertains to the affairs of Longshoremen.
- Maintain accurate listing of Local 1416 membership.
- Seek investment opportunities that will maximize returns to the local's treasury.
- Empowered to collect, assessments, dues, initiation fees, reinstatement fees, fines, etc.
- Maintain accurate account of all finances and financial records.

ACTING ASSISTANT FOREMAN, INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 1416

Miami, FL

June 2000 – Present

- Manages subordinate supervisors and is responsible for the overall direction, coordination, and evaluation in accordance with the organization's policies and applicable laws. Responsibilities include interviewing, hiring, and training labor; holding weekly shop meetings; planning, assigning, and directing work; appraising performance; addressing complaints and resolving problems.
- Assists Foreman in their absence, directs and coordinates activities
- Interprets production schedules and estimates labor hour requirements.
- Operates heavy equipment for loading and offloading container ships.
- Tracks cargo from container ship to container yard.
- Recommends measures to improve production methods, equipment performance, and quality of product.
- Responsible for securing freight loaded onto ships to insure a safe, damage free voyage.
- Maintain accurate account of all finances and financial records.
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EQUITIES DESK TRADER, JGM SECURITIES
Boca Raton, FL

July 2000-2003

- Supported all aspects of the trading desk: pre-trade analysis, research on index constituent changes, inbound and outbound trade processing and the design of optimal strategies for large trades.
- Constantly evaluated market developments in order to give clients accurate product information
- Assisted traders with project coordination, documentation and implementation.
- Identified potential trading strategies and offer ideas to improve new ones.
- Participated in Six Sigma projects that ran large complex, integration, and commissioning projects, while assisting with the improvement and communication of our new product software and processes.
- Coordinate and facilitated special projects as requested by management.
- Established relationships across product lines with traders in other organizations to ensure best price execution.
- Initiated projects with the business support team to automate trail tracking, which reduced monthly staff hours from approximately forty four hours to two hours.

HILDA M. RODRIGUEZ
U.S. LICENSED CUSTOMS BROKER
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Achievement oriented individual with extensive experience in the maritime industry and a solid work ethic seeking a position that allows me to utilize my skills to their full potential. Excellent interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills. Committed to expanding professional skills and contributing towards achieving group goals and objectives. Tenacious, self motivated and creative. Bilingual.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

POMTOC (Port of Miami Terminal Operating Company) – Miami, Florida 2001 – Present
Customer Service Manager

Supervised the customer service department and administration of Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) / Automated Manifest System (AMS) interface with US Customs & Border Protection Agency (CBP). Engaged in day-to-day terminal operations. Extensive public relations experience. Established and maintained good business relationships with various principals in the trade community. Assisted in the development, implementation and training of new terminal operating systems. Developed, documented and implemented AMS/EDI procedures for our organization. Develop and implemented new procedures and trained the trade community. Participated and advised in policy-making conferences. Directed sales efforts with customers. Responsible for the development and selection of advertising in trade publications. Responsible for dissemination of information in press releases, public speaking functions and other mass media outlets. Organized and planned marketing events. Represented our organization as a member of Customs Electronic Systems Action Council (CESAC) in Washington, DC. Worked hand-in-hand with CBP to develop and implement new trade procedures. Represented our organization as a panelist or speaker at various meetings and seminars. Monitored public opinions towards our organization for enhancement of the company's image. Responsible for informing the public and trade community of relevant policy changes. Identified and developed methods to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our terminal operations. Improved all areas of compliance with government and security regulations. Negotiated with vendors and various trade organizations to evaluate and finalize work orders.

Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association 2012-Present
President

Managed the board of directors. Facilitate coordination between board members. Kept current with developments within the International Trade Community and guided the association in the formulation of constructive activities. Provided consistent and energetic leadership in all activities of the association. Served as the conduit for communicating goals and objectives of the board to the trade community. Represented the association when meeting with local and state government officials. Communicated directly with Federal and Customs officials and kept local industry abreast of current regulation and its impact on trade.

Miami Dade College – Miami, Florida 2013 - Present
Adjunct Professor, Continuing Education

Comprehensive program in: Import and Export, U.S. Customs' regulations, logistics, U.S. Customs' duties and taxes, compliance, and marketing. Provided seminars and specialized training sessions for students.

Hanjin Shipping Company, Ltd – Miami, Florida 1996 – 2001
Import Customer Service, Freight Cashier, and Administration

Supervised all areas of the Import Department. Proficient with the AMS, the Maher Terminal system, and US CBP bonded paperwork. Responsible for all administrative duties and for all areas of Freight Cashier. Generated weekly reports to control past due accounts. Experience obtained in all areas of equipment control, export documentation, bookings, and rates. Responsible for local office equipment and supplies inventories, maintenance and budget.

Kirk Line, Inc – Miami, Florida 1993 – 1996
Import Supervisor

Supervised all matters concerning USDA, Fumigation, and US CBP. Set up and dispatched deliveries for local and intermodal moves. Proficient with the AMS. Assisted in the development of the POMTOC terminal system. Generated monthly revenue reports. Monthly customer service visits. Supervised up to 3 staff and performed biannual employee evaluations.

Crowley American Transport – Miami, Florida 1990 – 1993
Import Coordinator/ Southbound Traffic Coordinator

Prepared documentation for LCL/FCL containers. Collected ocean freight charges. Obtained US CBP releases and original bills of lading. Processed arrival notices to notify party and arranged deliveries for full containers. Issued proper documents for sending cargo to General Order. Prepared dock receipts for LCL cargo. Coordinated segregations and short shipment loads. Issued CBP forms, weekly inventories, and monthly reports. Prepared bills of lading and hazardous material manifests.

EDUCATION

Barry University, Miami Shores, FL Master of Arts in Business Administration - GPA: 4.0 out of 4.0	12/2013
Barry University, Miami Shores, FL Bachelor of Science - Graduate: Summa Cum Laude Alpha Chi Delta Epsilon Iota	05/2012
Miami-Dade College Associate of Arts	1989 – 1991

SELECTED CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

2013-Present	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, President
2016	Recipient of the World Trade Center (Miami) “International Women’s Day Award”
2013-Present	One Community One Goal, Committee member
2011-2013	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, Board of Directors and Treasurer of the Executive Board
2011-Present	Licensed U.S. Customs Broker - U.S. Department of Homeland Security Customs and Border Protection, Washington, D.C.
2010	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association Board of Directors, Government Affairs Committee Co-Chairperson and Secretary of the Executive Board
2009-Present	FCBF Hall of Fame Scholarship Foundation Board Member
2009	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, Board of Directors and Secretary of the Executive Board
2008-Present	World Trade Center Miami, Ad-Hoc Committee Member
2008	Nominated by China Shipping as #1 Best All Around Customer Service Friendly Port Terminal
2007	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, Board of Directors
2006	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, Board of Directors
2005-2006	Recipient of the “Leading Women in Florida Transportation Award”
2005-Present	World Trade Center Miami, Steering Committee Member
2005	Florida Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, Board of Directors