

Palm Beach County **Commission on Ethics**

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C12-010

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In Re: Edward Mitchell **City of West Palm Beach**

PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL

COMPLAINANT, William McCray, filed a COMPLAINT on September 5, 2012 alleging a possible ethics violation involving RESPONDENT, Edward Mitchell, West Palm Beach City Administrator.

The **COMPLAINT** alleges **RESPONDENT** corruptly misused his official position by sending an unsworn complaint to COMPLAINANT'S employer, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO), using official City letterhead and his official title.

On September 25, 2012, after reviewing the COMPLAINT, supporting affidavit and memorandum of inquiry, the COMPLAINT was determined by staff to be LEGALLY INSUFFICIENT, and presented to the Commission on Ethics on October 4, 2012 with a recommendation of dismissal as **LEGALLY INSUFFICIENT.**

The Commission on Ethics reviewed the COMPLAINT and memorandum of inquiry and determined that there is no allegation by COMPLAINANT, or information known or uncovered by staff inquiry to indicate that **RESPONDENT** acted in his official position in violation of the Code of Ethics.

Therefore, the Commission has determined that the actions taken by the **RESPONDENT**, Edward Mitchell, do not constitute a violation of the Code of Ethics and DISMISSED the COMPLAINT on October 4, 2012, due to NO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY.

Therefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT the COMPLAINT against RESPONDENT, Edward Mitchell, is hereby **DISMISSED**.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics in public session on October 4, 2012.

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