## Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics

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In Re: Paul Martin, Jr.

C15-025

## Public Report and Administrative Order of Dismissal

COMPLAINANT, Todd Bonlarron filed a Complaint on November 6, 2015, alleging a possible violation of the Lobbyist Registration Ordinance involving Respondent, Paul Martin, Jr., a registered lobbyist, for failure to file a lobbyist expenditure disclosure report by the November 1, 2015 deadline.

Commission staff investigated this matter and prepared an initial Memorandum of Inquiry recommending that the suspension of Respondent's lobbying registration be affirmed. Prior to the matter being heard by the COE, it was discovered that Respondent was deceased and a Supplemental Memorandum of Investigation was completed recommending an administrative dismissal under these circumstances.

Pursuant to Rule of Procedure 4.2(d), the Executive Director determined that the complaint, while legally sufficient, should be administratively dismissed and had the information forwarded to the Commission on March 1, 2016. The Commission has not directed the Executive Director to submit the complaint for review in executive session at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Therefore, the Executive Director hereby enters this Public Report and Administrative Order of Dismissal and the Complaint is dismissed.

Therefore it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT** the Complaint filed against Respondent, Paul Martin, Jr., on November 6, 2015, is **DISMISSED**.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics on March 18, 2016.

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By:

Mark E. Bannon, Executive Director

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