



STATE OF NEVADA

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re **Jesus Jara**, Superintendent,
Clark County School District,
State of Nevada,

Ethics Complaint
Case No. 20-043C

Subject. /

REVIEW PANEL DETERMINATION
NRS 281A.730; NAC 281A.440

The Nevada Commission on Ethics (“Commission”) received this Ethics Complaint on May 4, 2020, regarding the alleged conduct of Subject Jesus Jara (“Jara”). On June 18, 2020, the Commission instructed the Executive Director to investigate alleged violations of NRS 281A.400(1), (2), (5), (6), (7), (9) and (10); NRS 281A.420(1) and (3); and NRS 281A.520.

Jara is a public officer as defined in NRS 281A.160, and the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to NRS 281A.280 because the allegations contained in the Complaint relate to Jara’s alleged conduct as a public officer/employee and have associated implications under the Ethics Law.

On July 21, 2021, a Review Panel consisting of Vice Chair Brian Duffrin (Presiding Officer), Commissioners Barbara Gruenewald, Esq. and James Oscarson reviewed the following: (1) Ethics Complaint No 20-043C (2) Order on Jurisdiction and Investigation in Ethics Complaint No. 20-043C; (3) Jara’s Response to the Complaint; (4) Executive Director’s Recommendation to the Review Panel with Summary of Investigatory Findings and (5) Relevant Evidentiary Exhibits.¹

Under NAC 281A.430, the Review Panel unanimously finds and concludes that the facts do not establish credible evidence to support a determination that just and sufficient cause exists for the Commission to render an opinion in the matter regarding the alleged violations of NRS 281A.400(1), (2), (5), (6), (7), (9) and (10); NRS 281A.420(1) and (3); and NRS 281A.520.

Specifically, the investigation did not produce any credible evidence that Jara misused his official position to obtain an apprenticeship for his son. The investigation produced no credible evidence that Jara attempted to influence a subordinate to obtain information about CCSD Board of Trustee candidates who would support the renewal of his contract. No credible evidence was found that Jara cancelled the contract with GP Partnership in retaliation for his son leaving the Union 88 apprenticeship program, or that Jara altered or destroyed, or otherwise directed his subordinates to alter or destroy documents related to these matters.

¹All materials provided to the Review Panel, except the Ethics Complaint and the Order on Jurisdiction and Investigation, represent portions of the investigatory file and remain confidential pursuant to NRS 281A.750.

No further proceedings will be held with regard to this complaint and the complaint is dismissed.

Dated this 22nd day of July, 2021.

REVIEW PANEL OF THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

By: /s/ Brian Duffrin
Brian Duffrin
Vice Chair/Presiding Officer

By: /s/Barbara Gruenewald, Esq.
Barbara Gruenewald, Esq.
Commissioner

By: /s/ James Oscarson
James Oscarson
Commissioner

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Ethics and that on this day in Carson City, Nevada, I transmitted a true and correct copy of the foregoing **REVIEW PANEL DETERMINATION** via U.S. Certified Mail and electronic mail addressed as follows:

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Dated: 7/22/21



Employee, Nevada Commission on Ethics