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COMMISSION ON ETHICS

BEFORE THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION ON ETHICS

In re JOHN C. RANDOLPH,

Respondent.

Complaint No. 15-182

PUBLIC REPORT

Based on the preliminary investigation of this complaint and on the recommendation of the Commission's Advocate, the Commission on Ethics finds that there is no probable cause to believe the Respondent, as a local government attorney for the Town of Palm Beach, violated Section 112.313(16), Florida Statutes, by referring the Town of Palm Beach's legal work to his law firm; finds that there is no probable cause to believe the Respondent violated Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, by referring the Town of Palm Beach's legal work to his law firm without proper authorization; finds that there is no probable cause to believe the Respondent violated Section 112.313(16), Florida Statutes, by authorizing his law firm to go beyond the scope of legal work approved by the Town of Palm Beach; and finds that there is no probable cause to believe the Respondent violated Section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, by authorizing his law firm to charge the Town of Palm Beach to investigate the Complainant without the Town's approval, as alleged in this complaint.

Accordingly, this complaint is dismissed with the issuance of this public report.

ORDERED by the State of Florida Commission on Ethics meeting in executive session
on March 9, 2018.

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Michelle Anchors
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Chair, Florida Commission on Ethics

cc: Mr. Scott G. Hawkins, Attorney for Respondent
Ms. Melody A. Hadley, Commission Advocate
Mr. Jason E. Weeks, Complainant

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