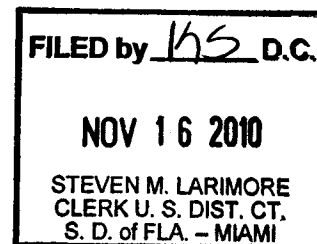


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2010-136

IN RE: REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ATTORNEY
ADMISSIONS, PEER REVIEW AND ATTORNEY
GRIEVANCE REGARDING MARIA
ELENA PEREZ



THIS CAUSE is before the Court on the Report and Recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee for Attorney Admissions, Peer Review and Attorney Grievance regarding Attorney Maria Elena Perez. On May 10, 2010, the Court entered an Order of Reference to the Committee to review Maria Elena Perez's actions in the case styled *United States of America v. Saul Acuna-Acosta, a/k/a Samuel Medina-Flores*, Case No. 08-80004-CR-MIDDLEBROOKS, and to make a recommendation on whether any discipline should be imposed on Ms. Perez. After careful review, the Committee issued a Report and Recommendation requesting that it retain jurisdiction over the matter for an additional six months to review steps Ms. Perez has taken to ameliorate the concerns expressed by District Judge Donald Middlebrooks and Magistrate Judge Linnea Johnson. After reviewing the Committee's Report, it is

ADJUDGED that the Court adopts the Committee's Report and allows the Committee to retain jurisdiction over this matter for an additional six month period from the date of this order. During that period, Ms. Perez is required to report the following to the Committee during the six-months following the date of this Order:

- (1) any change in her support staff;

- (2) any change to her arrangement with the paralegal firm;
- (3) any increase in the number of active cases she handles should the amount increase by more than five (5%);
- (4) any change in the procedure of calling the Eleventh Circuit whenever a document is filed there; and
- (5) any change in the procedure of conducting a full status review every week to ten (10) days for each case file. It is also

ADJUDGED that as recommended by the Committee, attorney Jeffrey S. Weiner, Esq. (9130 S. Dadeland Blvd., Suite 1910, Miami, Florida) is appointed to mentor Ms. Perez for the following six months. During this time, Mr. Weiner will meet with Ms. Perez, observe her in Court when practicable for Mr. Weiner's schedule, but no fewer than three times, and Ms. Perez will report to Mr. Weiner in writing at a frequency that is agreed to by Mr. Weiner and Ms. Perez. Mr. Weiner will furnish a report to the Committee at the conclusion of the six months.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Miami-Dade, Florida, this 13th day of November, 2010.



FEDERICO A. MORENO
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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