



**LITIGATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

**May 20, 2021 at 10:00 AM**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 991 0051 9754; Passcode: 448515**

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- I. Welcome & Introductions Aaron Slavens
- II. Approval of September 24, 2020 Minutes Aaron Slavens
- III. Meeting to Commence "In the Shade" Bob de la Fuente
- IV. Litigation Committee Attorney-Client Session, in accordance with section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes: Miriam Chavez, as Personal Representative of the Estate of A.M.C. for the use and benefit of Miriam Chavez, individually, and Brian Matute, individually, Plaintiff, v. The Sundari Foundation Inc. d/b/a Lotus House a/k/a Lotus House Women's Shelter, Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc., The Tree of Life Deliverance Ministry, Inc., Vision for Life, Inc., and Karen J. Aviles, Case No. 18-11138 CA, Circuit Court of the 11th Judicial Circuit, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Participants:

Aaron Slavens, Litigation Committee Chair  
Matthew Bruno, Litigation Committee Member  
Loreen Chant, Litigation Committee Member  
Iris Strachan, Litigation Committee Member  
Evelio Torres, President/CEO  
Bob de la Fuente, Board Counsel  
Kayla A. Riera-Gomez, Litigation Counsel  
Oneida Del Toro, Court Reporter

- V. Reopen Public Meeting & Announce Termination of Attorney/Client Session

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- VI. The Children’s Trust Contracts Fiorella A. Christie
  - A. Scholarship
  - B. School Readiness Match
  - C. Early Head Start Match
  
- VII. Public Comment Aaron Slavens
  
- VIII. Adjourn Aaron Slavens

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# Minutes

**Litigation Committee Meeting  
September 24, 2020; 4:00 p.m.  
Zoom Meeting ID: 916 4825 7655  
Passcode: litigation**

**Committee Attendees:** Gerald Schwartz; Aaron Slavens;

**Absentee Members:**

**Non-Committee Board:** Bob Eadie; Onieda Del Toro; Nicole Wall; Kayla A. Riera-Gomez

**ELC Staff:** Evelio Torres; Jackye Russell;

**General Attendees:**

**I. Welcome & Introductions** **Gerald Schwartz**

**II. Shade Meeting** **Bob de la Fuente**

B. de la Fuente stated that the shade meeting would commence and the following cases would be reviewed:

1. Miriam Chavez and Brian Matute, Plaintiff, v. The Sundari Foundation Inc. d/b/a Lotus House a/k/a Lotus House Women's Shelter, Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc., The Tree of Life Deliverance Ministry, Inc., Vision for Life, Inc., and Karen J. Aviles
2. Dania Espinosa vs. Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc.

**III. Public Comments** **Gerald Schwartz**

**IV. Adjourn** **Gerald Schwartz**

Notice is hereby given that the Early Learning Coalition of Miami/Dade Monroe (ELCMDM) Board will hold a Litigation Committee meeting, which will include private attorney-client meeting pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes (“Shade Meeting”), regarding the following case: Mirian Chavez, as Personal Representative of the Estate of A.M.C. for the use and benefit of Miriam Chavez, individually, and Brian Matute, individually, Plaintiff, v. The Sundari Foundation Inc. d/b/a Lotus House a/k/a Lotus House Women’s Shelter, Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc., The Tree of Life Deliverance Ministry, Inc., Vision for Life, Inc., and Karen J. Aviles, Case No. 18-11138 CA, Circuit Court of the 11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Miami-Dade County, Florida.

The Shade Meeting will take place via Zoom Meeting on May 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting ID: 991 0051 9754; Passcode: 448515, <https://zoom.us/j/99100519754?pwd=RWdFMVN1SlAvVnZid0NBNmk3U1ljdz09>

The following listed persons may attend the closed attorney-client session:

Aaron Slavens, Litigation Committee Chair

Matthew Bruno, Litigation Committee Member

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