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Re: DJB – POPA: RedFlad Report / Whistleblower Action

Dear Ms. Hairell,

As you know, in the morning of January 20, 2017, and in the afternoon of January 23, 2017, I came to you to report concerns I had with being harassed and subjected to a hostile workplace caused by Ms. Goschen, as well as, with potentially improper governmental action regarding the Port's funding of the CRTC.

When we met on those days, I specifically spoke of my concerns and consideration of lodging formal complaints and/or a whistleblower action against Ms. Goschen and the Port.

On January 23, 2017, you told me you would think about how to go about handling these issues and my complaints, and that you would let me know how to proceed the following morning. However, as you know, on the evening of January 23, 2017, Ms. Goschen sent me an email and text informing me, as of then, I was on paid administrative leave.

Also, as you know, I was subsequently fired which clearly reeks of retaliatory action, and of which I am convinced it was.

I imagine you can understand how my trust level for the Port is very low and, as such, how it seems this matter is one that should be heard by the Office of Administrative Hearings - not an employee of the Port or Commissioners that may be a party to a whistleblower action.

Further, as my allegations may reveal much deeper impropriety than I am currently aware, I have legitimate reason to be concerned for the safety of my family and myself, including our family dog. I am convinced my statement and supporting documents will prove I was wrongly terminated, which leads me to wonder how far the Port will go to quash my whistleblower action; including inflicting harm to my family, myself and/or our family pet.

As of now, the actions taken by the Port and Ms. Goschen have caused me great distress and driven me to physical illness and exhaustion.

However, in order to receive the protections purportedly afforded me as listed in the Port's Employee Handbook (page 15, section 1., External Report), I will agree to forward my statement and supporting documents to you and, to meet with you at a neutral location and convenient time to discuss.

Attached hereto, please find a scanned copy of my statement, as well as, scanned copies of supporting exhibits.

Please get back with me at your earliest convenience to set a neutral location and time to meet.

Thank you,

Daniel Binswanger