

STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-329
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Roesmel Rua, is presently serving as a Notary Public of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, this Office received a complaint of notary misconduct filed against Roesmel Rua and thereafter initiated investigations of alleged violations of the laws governing Florida notaries public contained in Chapter 117, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated September 4, 2013, September 20, 2013, and October 15, 2013, this Office notified Roesmel Rua of the investigation of notary misconduct and required that he submit a sworn written response to each violation, which included notarizing an instrument in which he had a financial interest as the director of the business engaged in the underlying transaction, in violation of Section 117.107(12), Florida Statutes; and, falsely or fraudulently taking an acknowledgment or making a certificate as a notary public by forging the signature of another person that was thereafter notarized, in violation of Section 117.105, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, during the investigation by this Office, it was discovered that Roesmel Rua had moved from the address on file and had failed to notify the Department of State of the change in address within 60 days, as required by Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, to date, Roesmel Rua has refused to cooperate with, or respond to, the investigation by this Office regarding the complaint of notary misconduct, which constitutes a neglect of duty warranting the suspension of his commission, pursuant to Section 117.01(4)(c), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of Florida that Roesmel Rua, be immediately suspended from the public office, which he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution and Section 117.01(4), Florida Statutes, find and state as follows:

- A. Roesmel Rua is a duly appointed Notary Public of the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 117.01, Florida Statutes.
- B. Roesmel Rua is commissioned as a Florida notary public from November 1, 2012, through October 31, 2016.
- C. Roesmel Rua failed to notify the Department of State within 60 days of his change of address, in violation of Section 117.01(2), Florida Statutes.
- D. Roesmel Rua refused to cooperate or respond to an investigation of notary misconduct by the Executive Office of the Governor, as required by Section 117.01(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premise, and in accordance with the Florida Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued:

Section 1. Roesmel Rua is suspended from the public office which he now holds: Notary Public of the State of Florida.

Section 2. Roesmel Rua is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of this public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of this public office during the period of suspension, which shall begin today until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 25th day of November, 2013.

Handwritten signature of Rick Scott in black ink.

RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Ken Detzner in black ink.

SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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