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The release of the Grand Jury report raises a serious question about Governor Collins refusal to remove Mr. Brautigan from office. It now appears that Circuit Judge John W. Prunty, a close friend and recent appointee of Governor Collins has had his fitness and qualifications for this highest of judicial offices seriously assailed by the Dade County Grand Jury. This throws great doubt upon the integrity of the Governor's appointment. The public is entitled to find out from Collins whether or not investigation was made by him of the qualifications of this appointee before appointment was made. Will the Governor hold an immediate hearing to determine if he should demand that his appointee resign from the bench? The people are entitled to an immediate explanation and to immediate action from the governor.

I am investigating and shall explore on my TV program on the 4th of May televised from stations WFTV and WTUV Miami the possible connection between the Governor's appointment and the powerful dog track interests in Dade County.