IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of)
THE HONORABLE GARY FAIRMAN, District Court Judge, Seventh Judicial District Court, Eureka County, State of Nevada,	
Respondent.)

CASE NO. **90465**

CERTIFIED COPY OF STIPULATION AND ORDER OF CONSENT TO PUBLIC REPRIMAND

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 29.3, I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the STIPULATION AND ORDER OF CONSENT TO PUBLIC REPRIMAND filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on April 14, 2025.

DATED this 14th day of April, 2025.

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I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 14th day of April, 2025, I served a copy of the CERTIFIED COPY OF STIPULATION AND ORDER OF CONSENT TO PUBLIC REPRIMAND by email or U.S. Mail, addressed to the following:

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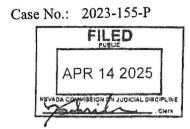
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONORABLE, GARY FAIRMAN, District Court Judge, Seventh Judicial District Court, Eureka County, State of Nevada,

Respondent.



STIPULATION AND ORDER OF CONSENT TO PUBLIC REPRIMAND

In order to resolve the judicial conduct complaint pending before the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline (the "Commission"), the Respondent, Honorable Gary Fairman, District Court Judge, Seventh Judicial District Court ("SJDC"), Eureka County, State of Nevada ("Respondent" or "Judge Fairman"), and the Commission stipulate to the following pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 29:

- 1. Respondent admits that he violated Canon 1 of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct ("Code"), Rule 1.1, requiring Respondent to comply with the law, including the Code itself; Rule 1.2, requiring Respondent to act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the integrity of the judiciary and to avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety; and Canon 2 of the Code, Rule 2.5(A), requiring Respondent to perform judicial and administrative duties competently and diligently, in his capacity as a District Court Judge in and for the SJDC, in Eureka County, State of Nevada, by knowingly or unknowingly engaging in an act, a combination of acts, or all of the following acts, which occurred during the circumstances stated below:
- A. In the matter of *Allen v. Frederickson*, SJDC Case No. CV-1312199 (a child custody proceeding), Respondent presided over a contempt hearing on February 21, 2023, issued a bench ruling and directed defendant's (mother's) counsel to prepare a proposed order, which counsel neglected to do.
- B. As of July 28, 2023 (over 5 months following the hearing on February 21, 2023), Respondent was aware that (1) the order still had not been prepared, (2) the mother's

counsel was not responding to emails/correspondence from the court or the mother, (3) the mother was allegedly having unsubstantiated custody problems with the father due to the written order not being issued, (4) the mother had terminated her counsel for failing to timely submit the order requested by Respondent, and (5) Respondent's court staff received numerous phone calls and correspondence from the mother over several months inquiring about the status of the order.

- C. Despite Respondent's knowledge of the foregoing as of July 28, 2023, Respondent did not issue the order for another 8+ months and only did so after the Commission investigator sat down with Respondent during his investigative interview on April 1, 2024. Respondent's written order was not filed until April 8, 2024, over thirteen (13) months following the hearing on February 21, 2023.
- 2. Respondent admits to all the allegations brought against him in paragraph (1)(A) through (1)(C) as set forth above.
- 3. Respondent agrees to waive his right to present his case and to contest the allegations in the information set forth above in a formal hearing pursuant to PRJDC 18. Respondent also agrees that this Stipulation and Order of Consent to Public Reprimand ("Order") takes effect immediately pursuant to PRJDC 29. The Commission accepts Respondent's waiver of said right and acknowledges and agrees to the immediate effect of this Order. Respondent further agrees to appear before the Commission in a public proceeding, if required by the Commission, to discuss this Order in more detail and to answer any questions from the Commissioners related to this case.
- 4. Respondent agrees and acknowledges that this Order will be published on the Commission's website and filed with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.
- 5. Respondent and the Commission hereby stipulate to Respondent's consent to a public reprimand pursuant to PRJDC 29. Respondent stipulates to the following substantive provisions:
- A. He agrees the evidence available to the Commission would establish by clear and convincing proof that he violated the Code, including Canon 1, Rule 1.1 and Rule 1.2 and Canon 2, Rule 2.5(A), and merits the specific discipline stipulated to herein.

- B. He agrees the discipline of a public reprimand is justified and authorized by Article 6, Section 21(1) of the Nevada Constitution; NRS 1.428; NRS 1.4653; NRS 1.4677(1)(a); NRS 1.4694; and PRJDC 29.
- C. He stipulates to a public reprimand for violations of the Judicial Canons and Rules as set forth above in paragraph (1).
- 6. Respondent understands and agrees that, by accepting the terms of this Order, he waives his right to appeal to the Nevada Supreme Court, pursuant to Rule 3D of the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure. Respondent also waives all other forms of extraordinary relief for purposes of challenging this Order.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent is hereby publicly reprimanded for violating the Code, Canon 1, Rule 1.1 and Rule 1.2, and Canon 2, Rule 2.5(A).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Executive Director of the Commission take the necessary steps to file this document in the appropriate records and on the website of the Commission and with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

DATED: March 3, 2025.

DATED: March 10, 2025,

GARY FAIRMAN, Judge

Respondent

THOMAS J. DONALDSON, Esq. Special Counsel for the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline

NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

The Commissioners listed below accept the terms of this Stipulation and Order of Consent to Public Reprimand. They further authorize the Chairwoman, if requested, to sign on behalf of the Commission, as a whole, this document containing the Stipulation and Order of Consent to Public Reprimand.

Dated: April 14, 2025

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6	of Consent to Public Reprimand.
7	Signed by:
8	Stellerie Xtemphrey
9	STEFANIE HUMPHREY, CHAIRWOMAN
10	KARL ARMSTRONG
11	HON. MARK DENTON
12	PATRICIA HALSTEAD
13	HON. DAVID HARDY
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