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The Judicial Standards Commission of the State of New Mexico (“Petitioner” or “Commission”), through the undersigned counsel, hereby adds an addendum to its petition to the Supreme Court for an order approving the parties’ *Stipulation to Permanent Resignation from Judicial Office in Lieu of Further Disciplinary Proceedings (Stipulation)* in this matter. Respondent, Hon. Jeff Aragon, has agreed to permanently resign effective July 20, 2012. Respondent continues to hold his office and conduct court pending this Court’s acceptance of the parties’ stipulation in this matter. Commission has learned that Respondent intends to continue his judicial duties unless and until this Court accepts the *Stipulation* in this matter. Commission requests

this Court to rule on its Petition as soon as possible. In support of its request, Commission states:

1) On July 6, 2012, the Los Lunas Municipal Court Chief Clerk, Denise LeDoux, filed a Temporary Restraining Order against Respondent in the Thirteenth Judicial District Court. *See attached, Exhibit A, Court File, LeDoux v. Aragon, D1314-CV2012-794.* On July 6, 2012, Judge William A. Sanchez granted Ms. LeDoux's request for a Temporary Restraining Order against Respondent. *Id.*

2) Ms. LeDoux is a witness in the Commission Inquiries against the Respondent. In her *Complaint for a Civil Restraining Order (Complaint) in Le Doux v. Aragon, D1314-CV2012-794*, Ms. LeDoux stated that Respondent harassed and intimidated her in retaliation for her testimony at a deposition before the Commission.

3) Ms. LeDoux wrote in her *Complaint* that on June 27, 2012, the day after she gave a deposition in the Commission Inquiries, Respondent came into the Los Lunas Municipal Court and accused her of "being the person who 'turned him in'" to Commission for judicial misconduct. *Id.* at p. 3. Ms. LeDoux explained that she had not done so. She spoke with Respondent for about 10 minutes. Ms. LeDoux stated that she "felt very uncomfortable and could see he [Respondent] was angry and upset, which scared me." *Id.* at p. 3.

4) After June 27, 2012, Respondent has contacted and attempted on several other occasions to contact Ms. LeDoux. Respondent's actions have caused Ms.

LeDoux a tremendous amount of mental anguish. She has left her home and moved away from Valencia County. She also has changed her phone number to prevent Respondent from contacting her.

5) The Petitioner requests this Court to rule as soon as possible on its *Petition to Accept Stipulation* to prevent further harassment to court staff and witnesses in the Judicial Standards Commission Inquiries.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests this Court issue an order granting the Commission's petition, enter an order approving the *Stipulation to Permanent Resignation from Judicial Office in Lieu of Further Disciplinary Proceedings* effective July 20, 2012, and accept Respondent Hon. Jeff Aragon's permanent resignation from judicial office. The Petitioner further requests that this Court enter an order unsealing the Supreme Court's file.

Respectfully submitted,

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