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Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court  
of the State of New Mexico

1                   **IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

2   **March 28, 2016**

3                   **NO. S-1-SC-35734**

4                   **IN THE MATTER OF**  
5                   **INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE**  
6                   **NO. 2015-048**

7                   **IN THE MATTER OF HON. DELILAH MONTAÑO-BACA,**  
8                   **Magistrate Judge,**  
9                   **Sandoval County Magistrate Court**

10   **ORDER**

11                   WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration by the Court upon the  
12                   Judicial Standards Commission's petition to accept stipulation agreement and  
13                   consent to discipline, the Court having considered said petition and the oral  
14                   argument and exhibits of the parties presented on March 28, 2016, and having  
15                   determined that acceptance of the stipulation is in the best interests of the  
16                   judiciary and the public, and the Court being otherwise sufficiently advised,  
17                   Chief Justice Barbara J. Vigil , Justice Edward L. Chávez, Justice Charles W.  
18                   Daniels, and Justice Judith K. Nakamura concurring; Justice Petra Jimenez Maes  
19                   dissenting;

20                   NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the petition is GRANTED

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AS MODIFIED BY THIS ORDERED;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent, Hon. Delilah Montaño-Baca, is placed on PROBATION effective immediately for a period of one (1) year;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the *Stipulation Agreement and Consent to Discipline* is ACCEPTED subject to the Commission's submission of a proposed formal mentorship plan for approval by this Court, which shall include the following:

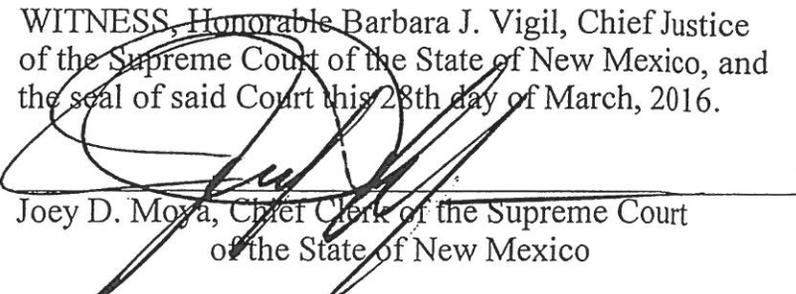
- A. The formal mentorship plan shall be for a period of no less than six (6) months, which shall begin upon the appointment of a mentor by this Court;
- B. The Commission shall recommend a judge who is an attorney to serve as respondent's mentor under the formal mentorship plan; and
- C. The formal mentorship plan shall include specific goals for respondent to address her violations of Rules 21-102, 21-103, and 21-204 NMRA of the Code of Judicial Conduct; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the file is UNSEALED in accordance with Rule 27-104(B) NMRA.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

WITNESS, Honorable Barbara J. Vigil, Chief Justice  
of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico, and  
the seal of said Court this 28th day of March, 2016.

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