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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

February 27, 2023

NO. S-1-SC-39802

**IN THE MATTER OF
HON. DEV ATMA SINGH KHALSA
Santa Fe County Magistrate Court**

ORDER

WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration upon notice that Santa Fe County Magistrate Division 2 Judge Dev Atma Singh Khalsa was arrested on criminal charges on February 26, 2023, and the Court having considered the foregoing and being sufficiently advised, Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice Michael E. Vigil, Justice David K. Thomson, Justice Julie J. Vargas, and Justice Briana H. Zamora concurring;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to this Court's power of superintending control under Article VI, Section 3 of the New Mexico Constitution, a writ of superintending control shall be issued to Magistrate Judge Dev Atma Singh Khalsa, the presiding judge for the Santa Fe Magistrate Court, and the Chief Judge of the First Judicial District Court, requiring that Magistrate Judge Dev Atma Singh Khalsa be placed on indefinite administrative leave with pay, pending an internal investigation (including the New Mexico Judicial Standards Commission);

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon the filing of this order, Magistrate
2 Judge Dev Atma Singh Khalsa may not be present within the Santa Fe County
3 Magistrate Courthouse until further order of the Court; and

4 IT IS FURTHER ORDER that this matter shall be sealed until further order
5 of the Court.

6 IT IS SO ORDERED.



WITNESS, the Honorable C. Shannon Bacon, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 27th day of February, 2023.

Elizabeth A. Garcia, Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of New Mexico

I CERTIFY AND ATTEST:
A true copy was served on all parties
or their counsel of record on date filed.
Magistrate Emerson Córdoba
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Supreme Court
of the State of New Mexico

By *Elizabeth A. Garcia*
Chief Deputy Clerk of Court