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**BEFORE THE PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE  
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA**

In the Matter of Members of the State  
Bar of Arizona,

**ANDREW P. THOMAS,  
Bar No. 0014069**

**LISA M. AUBUCHON,  
Bar No. 013141**

**RACHEL R. ALEXANDER,  
Bar No. 020092**

Respondents.

) PDJ-2011-9002

) [Nos. 09-2293, 09-2294, 09-2296,  
) 10-0423, 10-0663, 10-0664]

) **ORDER EXPANDING THE TIME**  
) **FOR THE FILING OF THE**  
) **HEARING PANEL REPORT AND**  
) **ORDER**

This matter was formally taken under advisement by the hearing panel after the completion of the case. That completion occurred with the filing and delivery to the individual panel members of the final reply brief. Rule 58(k) of the Arizona Supreme Court Rules directs the that written report and order of the hearing panel be filed within thirty (30) days after the completion of the case.

However, Rule 51(c)(4) authorizes the presiding disciplinary judge to shorten or expand that time limit when in the exercise of his discretion it is determined to be necessary. That discretion is exercised as additional time is necessary for the hearing panel.

1 To assure a balanced consideration, the hearing panel choose not to  
2 collectively consider the closing briefs until the final reply brief was filed. The  
3 briefs and findings of fact proposed were lengthy and extensive. There is  
4 nothing surprising in their length. During the hearing there were 6,132 pages of  
5 admitted exhibits. There were 26 days of hearing, spanning nearly two months  
6 with 46 witnesses who testified. Good cause appearing therefor:  
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8 **IT IS ORDERED**

9 Expanding the time limit to file the report and order to April 2, 2012.  
10 Nothing within this order precludes the early filing of that report and order by  
11 the hearing panel.

12 DATED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012.

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17 Honorable William J. O'Neil  
Presiding Disciplinary Judge

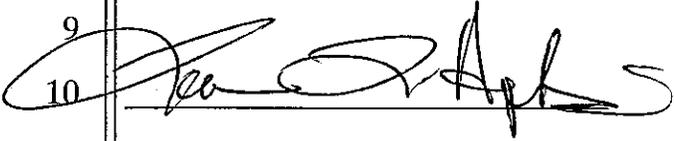
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