State of Arizona

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Disposition of Complaint 15-219

Judge:

Complainant:

ORDER

A justice of the peace self-reported on-going issues of stress and depression.

The responsibility of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is to impartially determine if the judge engaged in conduct that violated the provisions of Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution or the Code of Judicial Conduct and, if so, to take appropriate disciplinary action. The purpose and authority of the commission is limited to this mission.

After review, the commission found no evidence that the self-reported issues resulted in a violation of the Code or otherwise required further action under Article 6.1 of the Arizona Constitution or the commission's rules. The commission voted to close the file in this matter with no further action required.

Commission member Margaret H. Downie did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

Dated: August 16, 2016

FOR THE COMMISSION

<u>/s/ Louis Frank Dominguez</u> Hon. Louis Frank Dominguez Commission Chair

A copy of this order was mailed to the judge on August 16, 2016.

This order may not be used as a basis for disqualification of a judge.

Self-Report Ltr

2015-219

Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct 1501 West Washington Street, Suite 229 Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Self-Report; Issues Associated with Stress, Burnout and Depression

There are a variety of things currently going on in my life that have resulted in constant frustration. Several months ago, I realized that I was exhibiting signs and symptoms commonly associated with an unhealthy level of stress and/or depression. I had hoped that a recent vacation would help resolve some of these issues; but the main event that we had been looking forward to was profoundly disappointing.

I have decided to seek some type of professional confidential counseling. I looked at the State Bar of Arizona's member assistance programs, and while they may be helpful, concluded that there may be better options. A court administrator is currently looking for some employee health type options for me and I can also access resources through the

In terms of additional information to the Commission on Judicial Conduct, I will provide an update of which healthcare system I decide to access and with any additional information that the Commission feels may be appropriate. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me. My cell phone is Thank you.

Sincerely,