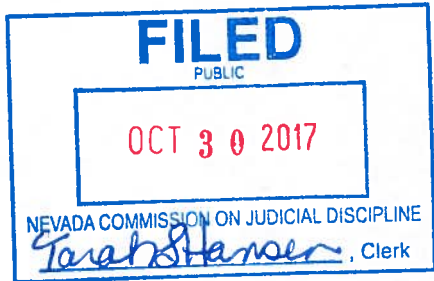


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IN THE MATTER OF THE HONORABLE )  
RENA G. HUGHES, Eighth Judicial District )  
Court, Department J - Family Court, )  
County of Clark, State of Nevada )  
  
Respondent. )

Case No. 2016-113-P

VERIFIED RESPONSE AND ANSWER

COMES NOW, the Respondent, RENA G. HUGHES, Judge the Eighth Judicial District Court,  
by and through her counsel, WILLIAM B. TERRY, ESQ., of the law offices of WILLIAM B. TERRY,  
CHARTERED and files the instant answer, defenses and mitigating circumstances in reference to the  
Formal Statement of Charges filed against her.

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1 **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

2 In answering the factual allegations set forth in the Formal Statement of Charges, the  
3 Respondent denies she violated Canons 1 and 2 of the Revised Code of Judicial Conduct (“the Code”).  
4 Further, the Respondent denies she violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 and Rule 1.2; Canon 2, Rule 2.2, Rule  
5 2.5(A), Rule 2.6(A) and 2.8(B).

6 **COUNT ONE**

7 In answering those allegations set forth in Count One, the Respondent does deny that she  
8 violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1, failing to comply with the law, including the Code; and Rule 1.2, failing  
9 to promote confidence in the judiciary. She further denies that she violated Canon 2, Rule 2.2, failing  
10 to uphold and apply the law and failing to perform all duties of her judicial office fairly and impartially;  
11 Rule 2.5(A), failing to perform judicial and administrative duties, competently and diligently; and Rule  
12 2.6(A), failing to accord a party’s right to be heard. She further denies that she abused her judicial  
13 authority by engaging in any or all, or any combination of, these rules.

14 **COUNT TWO**

15 In answering those allegations set forth in Count Two, the Respondent does deny that she  
16 violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1, failing to comply with the law, including the Code; Rule 1.2, failing to  
17 promote confidence in the judiciary. Respondent further denies that she violated Canon 2, Rule 2.2,  
18 failing to uphold and apply the law and failing to perform all duties of her judicial office fairly and  
19 impartially; Rule 2.5(A) failing to perform judicial and administrative duties competently and diligently;  
20 Rule 2.6(A), failing to accord a lawyer’s right to be heard; and Rule 2.8(B), failing to be patient,  
21 dignified, and courteous to litigants, jurors, witnesses, lawyers, court staff, court officials, and others  
22 with whom the judge deals in an official capacity. She further denies that she abused her judicial  
23 authority by engaging in any or all, or any combination of these rules.

24 **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

25 In Count One, the Formal Statement of Charges fails to specifically allege how Respondent’s  
26 course of conduct violated each Canon alleged.

27 In Count Two, the Formal Statement of Charges fails to specifically allege how Respondent’s  
28 course of conduct violated each Canon alleged.

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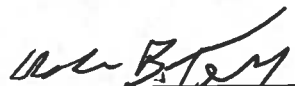
**MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES**

In answering the Formal Statement of Charges, the Respondent does assert that there are mitigating circumstances that are applicable to her including, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) The absence of a prior disciplinary record;
- (2) The absence of a dishonest and selfish motive;
- (3) Cooperation with the Judicial Ethics Panel;
- (4) The Respondent's good character and good reputation;
- (5) Interim rehabilitation;
- (6) Remorse; and
- (7) Any and all other mitigating circumstances which the Respondent shall raise.

DATED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

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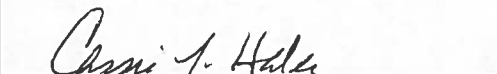
STATE OF NEVADA        )  
                                  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF CLARK        )

RENA G. HUGHES, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That she is the Respondent in the above-entitled action; that she has read the foregoing Verified Response and Answer and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of her own knowledge except for those matters therein contained stated upon information and belief; and as to those matters, she believes them to be true.

  
RENA G. HUGHES

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 25 day of October, 2017.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said County and State



1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

2 I hereby certify that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017, I, as an employee of WILLIAM B.  
3 TERRY, CHARTERED, caused to be served via email and by first class mail, a copy of the foregoing  
4 **VERIFIED RESPONSE AND ANSWER** with postage fully prepaid thereon, by depositing the same  
5 with the U.S. Postal Service, addressed as follows:

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10 Prosecuting Officer

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13 As an employee of William B. Terry, Chartered  
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