



BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of the

HONORABLE TERRANCE P. MARREN,
District Judge, City of Las Vegas,
County of Clark, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

Case No. 9702-215

**FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, DECISION
AND IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE**

The above-entitled matter came on for hearing on July 10, 1997 before the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline. Frank J. Cremen, Esq. appeared as Special Prosecutor for the State of Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline, and Respondent TERRANCE P. MARREN appeared with counsel, Steven Wolfson, Esq.

After hearing the allegations and proofs of the parties, the arguments of counsel, and having considered the evidence introduced by both parties along with the stipulation entered into by Respondent, and being fully advised, the Commission states that this proceeding was a formal hearing pursuant to the Administrative and Procedural Rules for the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline for the purpose of determining whether the acts and conduct of Respondent warrant the imposition of discipline. The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law which constitute the Decision of the Commission in this matter.

Findings of Fact

The Commission finds that the legal evidence presented by the Special Prosecutor at the Formal Hearing clearly and convincingly establishes each of the facts hereinafter set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 3 of these Findings of Fact.

1. That Respondent, while serving in the capacity of a District Court Judge in Family Court in and for the County of Clark, State of Nevada was assigned the case of Lombardo v. Lombardo, Clark County Family Court No. 93-D-160095-D. The matter was submitted to Respondent for decision on or about March 29, 1995, but not decided by the Respondent until January 8, 1996.

2. That Respondent, while serving in the capacity of a District Court Judge in Family Court, in and for the County of Clark, State of Nevada, was assigned the case Breitenfeldt v. Breitenfeldt, Clark County Family Court No. 93-D-163486-D. The matter was submitted to Respondent for decision on or about July 1, 1994, but was not decided by Respondent until February 20, 1996.

3. That Respondent, while serving in the capacity of a District Court Judge in Family Court, in and for the County of Clark, State of Nevada, was assigned the case of Heyborne v. Heyborne, Clark County Family Court No. 91-D-139594-D. The matter was submitted to Respondent for decision on or about August 19, 1994, after having been subject to an earlier delay of approximately one year, and was not decided by Respondent until February 28, 1995.

4. At all times respondent was fully cognizant that the matters before him were not resolved.

From the above facts, the Commission unanimously concludes:

Conclusions of Law

That Respondent's conduct as set forth in Paragraphs 1-3 of the Findings of Fact, violated ARJD 11(3) and:

1) That portion of Canon 3(A) which provides as follows:

"The judicial duties of a judge take precedence over all the judge's other activities."

2) That portion of Canon 3(B)(8) which provides as follows:

"A judge shall dispose of all judicial matters promptly, efficiently and fairly."

Decision and Imposition of Discipline

The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline having made and adopted the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, pursuant to Rule 30 of the Administrative and Procedural Rules for the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline, hereby orders that Respondent TERRANCE P. MARREN, a District Court Judge in Family Court, in and for the County of Clark, State of Nevada, receive a public reprimand and be fined in the amount of \$500.00 for each infraction of the Canons making a total fine of \$1,000.00 payable to the local Law Library Fund.

DATED this _____ day of September, 1997.

NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

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FRANK BRUSA, Chairman
HARLAN ELGES, Vice-Chairman
VALERIE COOKE, Commissioner
JANET J. BERRY, Commissioner
DIANA GLOMB, Commissioner
ALAN J. LEFEBVRE, Commissioner

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**CONCURRENCE AND DISSENT
TO IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE**

In regard to the above-stated case number, Commissioner Michael R. Griffin concurs in the Commission's Decision as follows: Commission's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law; and imposition of a public reprimand.

Commissioner Michael R. Griffin dissents from that portion of the imposition of discipline which imposes a fine upon Respondent TERRANCE P. MARREN.

DATED this ____ day of September, 1997.

NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

MICHAEL R. GRIFFIN, Commissioner

