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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of the, HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township, County of Nye, State of Nevada Respondent.	COMMISSION CASE NO. 2025-108

THE HONORABLE JUDGE MICHELE FIORE'S AMENDED MOTION TO DISMISS FOR VIOLATION OF DUE PROCESS

Respondent, the Honorable Michele Fiore, by and through her attorneys of record Paola M. Armeni, Esq. and Gia N. Marina, Esq., of the law firm of Clark Hill PLLC, hereby files her Motion to Dismiss pursuant to the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, and Article 1, Section 8 of the Nevada Constitution.

This proceeding asks the Commission to decide charges it has already effectively resolved. The same members who repeatedly suspended Judge Fiore — and who found that she "poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice" — now seek to adjudicate charges initiated by their Executive Director at their direction. That alignment leaves the Commission occupying incompatible roles in a single case and deprives Judge Fiore of the neutral decisionmaker due process requires.

The record confirms prejudgment is not hypothetical. The day of the suspension hearing the Commission filed a Complaint, unbeknownst to Judge Fiore, based on the same conduct they relied on to suspend Judge Fiore. The Commission built its "substantial threat" finding on the transcripts of Judge Fiore's federal criminal trial, while disregarding the approximately 182 letters

the community submitted in her support. It then rested its May 19, 2025 suspension order on grounds — "continuing deceit" of donors and "unjust enrichment" — that appeared nowhere in the notice Judge Fiore was given a chance to answer.

The Commission's theory of the case has shifted at every turn. For months it insisted it was not disciplining Judge Fiore for conduct predating her judicial service. Then, in its Order denying Judge Fiore's motion to dismiss, it reached for an out-of-state decision its own counsel had never briefed, to claim — for the first time — that it could reach her pre-bench conduct after all. It then amended its charges to add a new violation-of-law count grounded in embezzlement and unjust enrichment. A respondent cannot mount a defense against a moving target. Nor is it a small omission that the Commission's assigned investigator — despite speaking with Judge Fiore on separate matters — never interviewed her about these allegations.

For each of these independent reasons, the Amended Formal Statement of Charges should be dismissed.

I. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

A. Judge Fiore's Appointment and Election

On December 20, 2022, the Nye County Board of Commissioners appointed Michele Fiore as a justice of the peace. In June 2023, the citizens of Nye County elected Judge Fiore to that position.

B. The Federal Indictment and Pre-Bench Conduct

On July 16, 2024, a grand jury in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada indicted Judge Fiore on several counts of wire fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343, and conspiracy to commit wire fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349. *See* **Exhibit 1,** Verdict. The conduct charged in the indictment occurred between July 2019 and on or about January 31, 2020 — before Judge Fiore served as a justice of the peace. *See* **Exhibit 2,** Indictment.

C. The First Suspension (mandatory, with salary)

On July 18, 2024, the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline issued a Notice of Intent to Suspend Respondent with Salary. *See* **Exhibit 3.** An Order suspending Judge Fiore With Salary was entered on July 24, 2024 suspending Judge Fiore "based on a pending indictment charging

Respondent with a crime punishable as a felony....". *See* **Exhibit 4.** That suspension was mandatory per NRS 1.4675(1). Because the Commission had not yet filed a formal statement of charges, another Notice was issued and on September 23, 2024 another Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent With Salary was entered. *See* **Exhibit 5.**

D. The Second Suspension (discretionary, without salary)

After a jury verdict, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent to Suspend Judge Fiore Without Salary on October 4, 2024. *See* **Exhibit 6.** The presiding officer of the Commission presented the Jury Verdict against Mr. Fiore. *See* **Exhibit 7,** 10/18/2024 Transcript of Proceedings. The Order suspending Judge Fiore without pay was entered on October 21, 2024. *See* **Exhibit 8.** That step rested on the discretionary authority in NRS 1.4675(2), which permits suspension without salary upon a felony guilty verdict, subject to back pay if the conviction is later reversed.

On December 2, 2024, the Commission served its Notice of Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension of Respondent Without Salary. *See* **Exhibit 9**. Another public hearing was held and Judge Fiore argued that the decision to suspend her without salary was unduly prejudicial and that it appeared the Commission specifically revised the procedural rules by which it is bound for Judge Fiore, specifically, Rule 9.6. *See* **Exhibit 10,** 12/13/2024 Transcript of Proceedings, at 7-8.

On December 18, 2024, the Commission again filed its Certified Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent Without Salary. *See* **Exhibit 11**. On February 11, 2025, a public hearing was held before the Commission panel members and Judge Fiore argued that the suspension was premature as she still had a right to exercise post-conviction remedies. *See* **Exhibit 12,** 2/11/2025 Transcript of Proceedings, at 6-8. On February 14, 2025, the Commission filed its Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent Without Salary. *See* **Exhibit 13.**

On March 21, 2025, the Commission served its Notice of Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension of Respondent Without Salary. *See* **Exhibit 14**. On April 7, 2025 a hearing was held. The Commission filed its Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent Without Salary on April 14, 2025. *See* **Exhibit 15.**

E. The Presidential Pardon and Closure of the Criminal Case

On April 23, 2025, before sentencing, the President of the United States granted Judge

Fiore a full and unconditional pardon. *See* **Exhibit 16.** In light of the pardon, the Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey vacated the May 14, 2025 sentencing hearing, and the criminal case was closed. *See* **Exhibit 17.** Because sentencing never occurred, no judgment of conviction was ever entered, and Judge Fiore was never ordered to comply with any conditions or to pay restitution.

F. The May 2, 2025 Notice and Hearing

Despite the pardon, on May 2, 2025, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent to Suspend Judge Fiore With salary. *See* **Exhibit 18.** The notice set a May 9, 2025 hearing to determine whether the existing suspension order remained warranted following the pardon and, if not, whether Judge Fiore "poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice, **based upon** [the Criminal Action]." *Id.* at 5. The notice referred to the criminal case; it did not identify any pending complaint. *Id. generally.* On May 8, 2025, the Commission provided Judge Fiore a list of exhibits that the Commission members would review, including materials from the criminal case such as trial transcripts, and approximately seven (7) "Emails Regarding Judge Fiore Received from the Public." *Id.* at 5; *see also* **Exhibit 19,**[1] Emails to Commission. In its Notice, the Commission acknowledged that it had received approximately 182 references in support for Judge Fiore. *Id.; see also* **Exhibit 20,** Letters in Support of Fiore.

At the May 9, 2025 hearing, counsel presented Judge Fiore's position, including that (1) the full and unconditional pardon effectively removes all penalties and disqualifications from the criminal case; (2) as previously publicly admitted by the Commission, it only has jurisdiction over misconduct while serving as a judge and it cannot pursue alleged infractions committed in a previous capacity; and (3) there is no basis or evidence that Judge Fiore poses a substantial threat of serious harm. *See* **Exhibit 21,** 5/9/2025 Transcript of Proceedings. Further, counsel cautioned the Commission that it should be skeptical of negative comments received from the public, which mostly focused on their dismay with the pardon and stated nothing relating to Judge Fiore's behavior on the bench. *See* Exhibit 21. Indeed, one author had taken steps to recall Judge Fiore

[1] Twelve negative emails were received by the time hearing. In total, the Commission received seventeen (17) negative correspondence. (10% of the total of positive reference letters that were submitted).

and her own actions led to her being charged criminally. *Id.* Finally, counsel pointed to the 170 letters sent to the Commission from members of the public who actually know Judge Fiore and are in favor of her retaining her elected position, as well as community events led by Fiore illustrating her true character. *Id.*[2] The Commission asked no questions. *Id.*

On May 19, 2025, the Commission rescinded the suspension without salary and, under NRS 1.4675(4), suspended Judge Fiore with salary, **finding** she posed a substantial threat of serious harm. *See* **Exhibit 22.** Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4), the Commission *may* suspend a judge from the exercise of office with salary pending final disposition of a complaint[3] if the Commission determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the judge "poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice." For the first time, the Commission rested that conclusion on "the evidence of Respondent's dishonesty and retention of funds maintained under false pretenses," which it said "reveal[s] a current, emergent threat to the judiciary...." *Id.* Specifically, the Commission stated that the basis for the suspension was Judge Fiore's "continuing deceit of the charitable donors and her unjust enrichment at the expense of the slain police officer statue." Despite none of this language being included in the notice to Judge Fiore in which she had an opportunity to respond, the Commission furthered that "Respondent has provided no evidence or testimony that she notified the donors after becoming a judicial officer or that she repaid them or intends to repay them." *Id.*

G. The Verified Statement of Complaint And Shifting Jurisdictional Theory

On May 2, 2025, the Commission — through its Executive Director — brought a Verified Statement of Complaint alleging violations of Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct Rules 1.1 and 1.2. *See* **Exhibit 23.** Throughout, the Commission represented that it was <u>not</u> disciplining Judge Fiore for pre-bench conduct, but for a purported "continuing" obligation arising after she took office. *Id.* It nonetheless acknowledged that "these counts are based on conduct that occurred

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[2] At the time of the hearing, the Commission had received 170 letters of support; however, at the time the Order Suspending Judge Fiore with Pay was submitted, they had received additional letters for a total of 182.

[3] One of which Judge Fiore never received prior to the hearing, nor was mentioned at all in the Commission's Notice.

before Judge Fiore assumed the office of justice of the peace." **Exhibit 23.**

Then, on April 24, 2026, the Commission brought its Formal Statement of Charges. *See* **Exhibit 24.** The charges represented that "Judge Fiore committed all actions described in Counts I through III, herein, while serving as a justice of the peace." *Id.* at pg. 2. Yet, the allegations recite facts that occurred "[i]n or about 2019 to 2020, prior to becoming a judicial officer...." *Id.* A Prehearing Order setting forth deadlines was filed prior to Judge Fiore even filing her Answer. *See* **Exhibit 25.**

After Judge Fiore moved to dismiss the Formal Statement of Charges, the Commission's Order denying that motion invoked an out-of-state (Nebraska) decision — never raised in the Commission's opposition brief — to assert authority over pre-bench conduct. *See* **Exhibit 26,** at 10; *see also* **Exhibit 27,** Commission's Opposition to Motion to Dismiss.

H. Amended Statement of Charges

On August 7, 2026, ***after*** the Commission invoked the Nebraska decision to assert authority over pre-bench conduct, and ***after*** repeatedly asserting that it was within its jurisdiction as it was not considering pre-bench conduct,[4] the Commission then filed an Amended Formal Statement of Charges adding a violation-of-law count grounded in laws related to criminal embezzlement, civil conversion and/or unjust enrichment while Judge Fiore was a sitting judge. *See* **Exhibit 29.**

II. LEGAL ARGUMENT

A. THE COMMISSION CANNOT FAIRLY ADJUDICATE CHARGES IT HAS ALREADY PREJUDGED. HAVING FOUND JUDGE FIORE A "SUBSTANTIAL THREAT," IT CANNOT NOW SIT AS A NEUTRAL TRIBUNAL.

The Commission cannot remain fair and impartial in the instant proceedings where it has continually shifted the target, it has prejudged Judge Fiore's conduct, and it has only worked to justify a conclusion it has already reached, as follows:

1. Due Process Requires A Fair Tribunal.

[4] To fully appreciate the Commission's ever-shifting theories, a chart of its positions throughout the course of this proceeding is attached hereto as **Exhibit 28.** Judge Fiore also incorporates her original Motion to Dismiss filed on May 15, 2026 by reference as though fully set forth herein.

The United States Supreme Court has long recognized and repeatedly held that "[a] fair trial in a fair tribunal is a basic requirement of due process." *In re Murchison*, 349 U.S. 133, 136 (1955).

> Fairness of course requires an absence of actual bias in the trial of cases. But our system of law has always endeavored to prevent ***even the probability of unfairness***. To this end no man can be a judge in his own case and no man is permitted to try cases where he has an interest in the outcome. That interest cannot be defined with precision. ***Circumstances and relationships must be considered.***

Id. at 136 (emphasis added). This constitutional requirement of neutrality applies with equal force to administrative tribunals exercising adjudicatory authority. *Withrow v. Larkin,* 421 U.S. 35, 46 (1975). The Due Process Clause ***requires*** recusal not only where actual bias is demonstrated, but also where, viewed objectively, "the probability of actual bias on the part of the judge or decisionmaker is too high to be constitutionally tolerable." *Caperton v. A.T. Massey Coal Co.*, 556 U.S. 868, 877 (2009) (quoting *Withrow*, 421 U.S. at 47). Although administrative adjudicators are ordinarily afforded a presumption of honesty and integrity, that presumption may be overcome where the particular facts create a constitutionally intolerable risk of bias or prejudgment. *Withrow,* 421 U.S. at 47.

The inquiry is objective: the question is not whether the adjudicator harbors an actual, subjective bias, but whether the average decisionmaker in that position is likely to be neutral, or whether there is an unconstitutional potential for bias. *Williams v. Pennsylvania,* 579 U.S. 1 (2016); *Withrow*, 421 U.S. at 58 (courts must look to the "special facts and circumstances" of the case). Where the constitutionality of a proceeding is compromised by the identity or composition of the tribunal itself, the resulting error is structural because it infects the entire adjudicative process. *See In re Murchison*, 349 U.S. at 136; *Caperton*, 556 U.S. at 876-77.

As more fully demonstrated below, there is not just a potential for bias, but an actual bias based upon the record:

2. Having Declared Judge Fiore A "Substantial Threat" And Initiated The Charges Itself, The Commission Has Merged The Roles of Accuser And Adjudicator and Prejudged The Result.

Due process *forbids* an adjudicator who has already resolved the question it is asked to

decide. That is the precise vice *In re Murchison* condemned. There, a judge who had served as a "one-man grand jury" investigating suspected wrongdoing later tried the contempt charges arising from his own investigation. The Court held the arrangement unconstitutional because a decisionmaker who has been part of the accusatory process cannot be, in the very nature of things, wholly disinterested in the conviction or acquittal of those accused. *In re Murchison*, 349 U.S. 133 at 137. The Commission occupies exactly that role.

The Supreme Court has drawn the same line for combined accuser-adjudicators: an "unconstitutional potential for bias exists when the same person serves as both accuser and adjudicator in a case," and there is a real "risk that the judge would be so psychologically wedded to his or her previous position that the judge would consciously or unconsciously avoid the appearance of having erred to changed position." *Williams v. Pennsylvania,* 579 U.S. 1, 9, 136 S. Ct. 1899, 1906, 195 L. Ed. 2d 132 (2016). Thus, the United States Supreme Court reflected the maxim that no man can be a judge in his own case. *Id.*

The risk is at its zenith here, because the Commission is not merely adjudicating a complaint brought to it – it generated the complaint itself. That is a marked departure from the ordinary course: only approximately one percent (1%) of the complaints in judicial discipline proceedings are initiated by the Commission itself, while the overwhelming majority originate with members of the public. *See* Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline, *FY 2024 Annual Report,* https://judicial.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/judicialnvgov/content/Discipline/Reports/Annual%20Report%20FY%202024%20%28FINAL%29.pdf (last visited September 9, 2026). The Commission suspended Judge Fiore and found her a "substantial threat of serious harm" simultaneous to initiating a complaint. Then, it investigated and prosecuted the complaint itself. It has already committed to the very conclusion the October hearing is convened to decide. Under the objective standard, that is enough that the probability of prejudgment here "is too high to be constitutionally tolerable." *Caperton v. A.T. Massey Coal Co.*, 556 U.S. 868, 877, 129 S. Ct. 2252, 2259, 173 L. Ed. 2d 1208 (2009).

Withrow marks the limit. A tribunal may make a preliminary determination and later adjudicate, but a "substantial due process question" arises where "the initial view of the facts…as

a practical or legal matter foreclosed fair and effective consideration at a subsequent adversary hearing." *Withrow*, 421 U.S. at 58. Here, the Commissions' repeated, formal threat findings are not a preliminary view held open for reconsideration; they are fixed conclusions on the merits of Judge Fiore's fitness.

Mosley v. Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline, 117 Nev. 371, 22 P.3d 655 (2001), underscores the constitutional defect present here. In *Mosley*, the Nevada Supreme Court rejected a challenge based on the Commission's combined investigative and adjudicative functions because the judge offered only "generalized allegations" and "no evidence suggesting that the Commission members are dishonest, biased, or prejudiced," leaving the Court with "no reason to believe the Commission's structure poses any risk of bias." 117 Nev. at 381. *Mosley* thus turned on the absence of any concrete showing.

The record here supplies exactly what *Mosley* found missing. Judge Fiore does not rely on speculation or generalized concerns regarding institutional design. Rather, she points to the Commission's own orders expressly finding that she posed a substantial threat, to a self-initiated complaint, to a mid-case reversal of the Commission's jurisdictional position while still inconsistent with the Amended Statement of Formal Charges, and to reliance on authority no party briefed. Those findings demonstrate actual prejudgment, not merely a theoretical risk of bias. And, those are specific, record-based facts demonstrating actual prejudgment, not the "generalized allegations" that *Mosley* rejected. Where *Mosley* found no evidence, this record is replete with it.

The Commission has consistently sought to support their already determined conclusion. For instance, although Judge Fiore submitted approximately 182 letters of support from members of the community, colleagues, and individuals familiar with her character and service, the Commission's Order gives no indication that this substantial mitigating evidence was meaningfully considered. Indeed, in its May 19, 2025 Order, it specifically omitted reference to Fiore's letters, instead resting its hat on "e-mails from members of the general public calling into question Respondent's honesty and her ability to perform the duties of a justice of the peace." *See* Exhibit 22, at 5:10-11. This is not the "totality of the circumstances" approach *required* when determining whether a judge's alleged misconduct warrants temporary or interim suspension.

Matter of Halverson, 123 Nev. 493, 169 P.3d 1161 (2007). Further, based on the facts presented by Judge Fiore, they are not "objectively verifiable evidence from which a reasonable inference can be drawn that a judge committed judicial misconduct" that is required by the Commission when it initiates its own complaint. *See* PRJDC 10.2(A).

Likewise, while Commission investigators questioned Judge Fiore concerning unrelated matters, she was never interviewed, examined, or afforded an opportunity to address the allegations that ultimately formed the basis of the charges against her. *See* **Exhibit 30,** 5/28/2026 Investigation Report; *see also* **Exhibit 31,** 6/3/2026 Investigation Report. The complaint, according to its own investigator, "stemmed from the October 3, 2024, guilty verdicts against the Respondent after her trial...." *See* Exhibit 30, at pg. 1. On the very same day the Commission filed its complaint, its investigator was requested to conduct "an **expedited** investigation concerning the Respondent's involvement in a criminal matter." *Id.* (emphasis added). By the Commission's own definition, the investigation's scope was narrow: it "was to include interviewing one of the victims in the criminal case and reviewing the court transcripts." *Id.* The **only** supporting documents identified in the investigator's reports are the U.S. Federal District Court trial transcripts from the criminal case. *Id.* at pg. 7. The report was issued May 28, 2025, mere weeks of the May 2 complaint and investigation request. *Id.*

From beginning to end, the process created and reinforced the appearance that the outcome had already been predetermined. The theories supporting discipline ***repeatedly*** shifted as earlier justifications proved untenable, suggesting an effort to sustain a predetermined result rather than fairly evaluate the evidence. Most troubling, the Commission relied upon legal authority in its Order that had never been cited or argued by any party, depriving Judge Fiore of any meaningful opportunity to address or distinguish that authority before it was used against her. *See* Exhibit 26, at 10 (citing to *Nebraska State Bar v. Krepela*[5] for the premise that the Nebraska Commission on Judicial Qualifications could suspend a sitting judge for conduct which occurred five years before

[5] Nevada's specific statutory grounds are in NRS 1.4653, and none of them uses Nebraska's "brings the judicial office into disrepute" formulation. The Nevada scheme is narrower and more conduct-specific.

the judge took office); *compare to* Exhibit 27, Commission's Opposition to Motion to Dismiss (no citation to *Nebraska State Bar v. Krepela*). Viewed collectively, these circumstances reveal not an impartial adjudicative process, but a proceeding in which the Commission first reached a conclusion and then sought evidence and legal theories to justify it. Such conduct raises serious due process concerns because it reflects the very risk of prejudgment and lack of neutrality that the Constitution forbids.

The posture the Commission chose sharpens the appearance of impartiality. At one time, the Commission could not initiate a judicial misconduct complaint on its own; it could proceed only on a sworn, written complaint by an actual complainant, and it was "not authorized to hire a special prosecutor to investigate, expand upon, and supersede a sworn complaint" brought before it. *Whitehead v. Nevada Comm'n on Jud. Discipline*, 111 Nev. 70, 156, 893 P.2d 866, 919 (1995). That requirement was a due process safeguard, ensuring that a judge is not exposed to discipline resting on the shifting notions of proprietary held by whoever happens to sit on the Commission at a given time. *Id.* The original rules, adopted in 1988, were "in an effort to correct serious problems which had manifested themselves throughout the history of the Commission, by providing more specific safeguards for due process and greater assurances of professional responsibility on the part of the Commission members…" *Id.* at 146.

The rules have since changed to permit the Commission to initiate a complaint on its own – its Executive Director may sign and file the complaint in the absence of an outside complainant. *See e.g. Andress-Tobiasson v. Nevada Comm'n on Jud. Discipline,* 136 Nev. 777, 475 P.3d 776 (2020); *see also* PRJDC 10.2 ("The executive director may initiate a complaint when directed by the Commission if….). That change, however, is not without qualifications. The executive director may initiate a complaint **if:** (1) "The Commission receives information…that alleges objectively verifiable evidence from which a reasonable inference can be drawn that ***a judge*** committed judicial misconduct…" (*see* PRJDC 10.2(A); **or** (2) "The Commission has reason to believe a complainant may suffer untoward risk of embarrassment, harassment, or other detrimental consequences." *See* PRJDC 10.2(B). "The Commission, of course, has no jurisdiction to proceed on the basis of an invalid complaint." *Whitehead*, 111 Nev. at 148.

The Commission has proven neither requirement. Certainly, no affidavit was attached to the complaint attesting to any exceptional reasoning why a complainant need remain private. Further, the Commission's use of the criminal trial transcripts does not yield the result it reaches for here, which is focused on repayment to the donors. Indeed, *none* of the donors testified that they asked to be reimbursed and were not. This is not surprising because charges of wire fraud are not negated by repayment. Judge Fiore could not reasonably be expected to reimburse campaign donors before the criminal case was resolved. Such a payment would have carried significant legal and practical consequences. Voluntarily repaying donors before any finding of guilt would have been portrayed as an acknowledgment that the donations were improperly obtained and could have been used as evidence of consciousness of guilt. The Commission's theory therefore places Judge Fiore in an untenable position: either maintain her innocence and preserve her constitutional rights or make payments that would likely be characterized as an admission that the allegations were true. Nothing in the Code, the PRJDC, or the Commission's cited authorities imposed such an obligation, particularly where no donor testified that reimbursement was requested and denied, and where the underlying allegations remain vigorously disputed.

Further, the procedural change to the rule did not repeal the due process principle that produced the earlier safeguard: the Commission still "may not justify an *ad hoc* approach to judicial discipline no matter how well-intentioned and benevolent the Commission's actions may be" and "[n]either the Commission nor this court is free to disregard what is mandated by the constitution and the Commission's rules." *Whitehead,* 111 Nev. at 93. Indeed, "[a]ny rule adopted by this court under constitutional mandate must, as a matter of law and the hierarchy of law, prevail over any conflicting statutory provision." *Id.* That self-initiation is meant to be the exception, confirmed by the surrounding statutory scheme, which presuppose a complainant other than the tribunal itself. *See* NRS 1.4655 (Commission may begin inquiry upon the receipt of a complaint); *see also* NRS 1.465 (Legislature extended immunity to a person who files a complaint with the Commission).

Here, the exception swallowed the constitutional safeguard. The Commission exercised that self-initiation power against a judge it had already, declared a "substantial threat." The result

is the precise concentration the earlier rule was designed to prevent. The body that generated the accusation is the body that will weigh it. The appearance of impartiality does not depend on the Commissioner's subjective good faith; it inheres in the structure the Commission has assembled around Judge Fiore's case. When accuser and adjudicator merge in that way, the Commission cannot sit as a judge in its own case.

The unfairness is easy to see if it is transposed to any other setting. Imagine the undersigned counsel's own firm, Clark Hill, brought a complaint against a party, then staffed and conducted the investigation of that very complaint, and then – having accused and investigated – sat as the mediator or arbitrator charged with neutrally resolving it. No party would accept that the firm could serve as a disinterested decisionmaker, and no court would countenance it. Yet that is precisely the structure the Commission has assembled here: it generated the accusation, investigated it, prosecutes it, and will now sit in judgment of it.

3. The Commission Has Acted As A Partisan Working To Justify A Conclusion It Had Already Reached.

Every single step taken here confirms a tribunal committed to a predetermined result rather than one weighing the matter with an open mind. First, the Commission credited only the evidence that fits its conclusion: it grounded its threat finding on the transcripts of Judge Fiore's criminal trial, while disregarding the approximately 182 letters submitted in her support. Crediting one side's record while setting aside the contrary evidence en masse is the mark of a decisionmaker that "would consciously or unconsciously avoid the appearance of having erred." *Williams v. Pennsylvania*, 579 U.S. 1, 9, 136 S. Ct. 1899, 1906, 195 L. Ed. 2d 132 (2016).

The Commission's reliance on those transcripts is improper for a further, independent reason. In her federal criminal trial, Judge Fiore was the *defendant*, and "[i]t is a fundamental principle of criminal law that the State has the burden of proving the defendant guilty beyond a reasonable doubt and that the defendant is not obligated to take the stand or produce any evidence whatsoever." *Barron v. State*, 105 Nev. 767, 778, 783 P.2d 444, 451 (1989). Defense counsel bore no burden and was entitled to put on no evidence at all. This principle is outlined in the United States Constitution which states that a defendant shall not "be compelled in any criminal case to

be a witness against himself." U.S. Const. amend. V. The Commission has nonetheless combed the criminal record for what Judge Fiore did *not* say or prove. Drawing an adverse inference from a criminal defendant's silence, or from her exercise of the right to put on no defense, stands that fundamental principle on its head. *See id.* Nor is the concern confined to what the Commission may introduce at the merits hearing. Even if the Commission does not formally offer the criminal transcripts at that hearing — a question reserved for a separate motion *in limine* — it has already relied on those transcripts, repeatedly, in its own suspension orders *and* in its investigation. The prejudgment is thus embedded in the Commission's own orders regardless of what evidence it elects to introduce later.

The incompleteness of that reliance is now confirmed by the Commission's own filing. On September 14, 2026, Special Counsel moved for leave to serve a request for production of documents on Judge Fiore, conceding that neither the Commission nor Special Counsel has ever obtained the underlying federal trial exhibits – the donors' checks, a "solicitation" letter, and so forth. *See* Motion for Leave to Serve Request for Production of Documents. The Commission thus declared Judge Fiore a "substantial threat," initiated and prosecutes charges, and rested its finding of "dishonesty" and "unjust enrichment" on a criminal record it now admits it has never possessed in full – relying on the trial transcripts while lacking the very exhibits on which those proceedings turned. That a tribunal would reach fixed conclusions on an admittedly incomplete record only deepens the appearance of prejudgment.

Moreover, Judge Fiore has remained suspended since May 2025, and PRJDC 18.1 directs that a public hearing be held within 60 days "if practicable." When the parties conferred on hearing dates, both counsels initially proposed a 5-day hearing during the first weeks of August 2026. *See* **Exhibit 32**, Email Correspondence re: Proposed Hearing Dates. Judge Fiore expressly opposed any further extension of the 60-day period beyond the accommodation already provided to special counsel, noting that the 60-day period expired on July 17, 2026, and that a hearing in September or October would push the proceeding roughly 120 to 150 days past the filing of her Answer while she remained suspended. *Id.* In response to the Commission's request for additional dates, counsel for Judge Fiore provided available weeks in August and September and advised that she had no

full weeks available in October. *Id.* Special counsel likewise provided dates in August and September. *Id.* The Commission nonetheless returned only September and October dates and set the merits hearing for the middle of October 2026 — the latest window proposed. *Id.*

Finally, these record-based indicia of prejudgment do not stand alone. As set forth more fully in Judge Fiore's Motion to Disqualify, which is incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth, additional and independent evidence of bias exists. Judge Fiore does not belabor those facts here but references them to underscore the appearance of impartiality is confirmed from more than one direction.

Taken together, these steps show a panel that cannot appear neutral because it has already chosen a side.

III. CONCLUSION

The Commission announced its decision before it filed a charge, accused Judge Fiore on its own motion, credited only the evidence that fit that conclusion, disregarded the community's support, investigated without ever hearing from Judge Fiore, and supplied a position its counsel never advanced, all while changing the moving target that Judge Fiore is supposed to receive notice of in order to receive a truly fair opportunity to be heard. These are not the marks of a panel that can appear impartial. Rather, it is an inherent denial of due process.

Judge Fiore respectfully requests that the Commission dismiss the First Amended Formal Statement of Charges.

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of the, HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township, County of Nye, State of Nevada Respondent.	COMMISSION CASE NO. 2025-108

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

United States of America,

Plaintiff

v.

Michele Fiore,

Defendant

Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1

Jury Verdict

We, the jury in the above-entitled case, upon our oaths, do say:

1. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud as charged in Count One of the Indictment.

2. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Two of the Indictment.

3. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Three of the Indictment.

4. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Four of the Indictment.

5. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Five of the Indictment.

6. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Six of the Indictment.

7. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Seven of the Indictment.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MICHELE FIORE,

Defendant.

CRIMINAL INDICTMENT

Case No. 2:24-cr-0155-RFB-DJA

VIOLATIONS:

Count One:

18 U.S.C. § 1349 (Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud)

Counts Two – Five

18 U.S.C. § 1343 (Wire Fraud)

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

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BACKGROUND ALLEGATIONS

1. At all times material to this Indictment, unless otherwise set forth, with all dates and times alleged to be "on or about" or "approximately":

2. The defendant, MICHELE FIORE, an individual who resided in the State of Nevada and served as a Councilwoman for the city of Las Vegas, Nevada from 2017 until 2022, engaged in a scheme to defraud charitable donors of more than $70,000 for her own personal benefit.

3. Person A, an individual who resided in the State of Nevada, is a relative and co-conspirator of FIORE who received a portion of the fraudulent proceeds and served as a conduit to conceal the means and methods of FIORE's fraud by receiving payment from entities controlled by FIORE and spending those proceeds to benefit the conspirators.

4. In February 2017, FIORE established a Political Action Committee A. The stated purpose of FIORE's PAC was "community outreach."

5. In July 2019, FIORE founded a Section 501(c)(3) charity, Charity A, with herself and Person A as officers. According to its articles of incorporation, the specific purpose of Charity A was "to raise funds for the Las Vegas Community to provide goods and/or services as needed."

6. Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code exempted from taxation non-profit organizations organized and operated exclusively for certain charitable, religious, scientific, and educational purposes. The Internal Revenue Code also granted charitable tax deductions for individual donations to such Section 501(c)(3) charities. Section 501(c)(3) charities were

specifically prohibited from using their net earnings for the purpose of benefitting any private individual or participating in political campaigns on behalf of any candidate for public office.

7. Company A was a private real estate development company operating in the State of Nevada.

8. Company B was a private company owned and operated by Person A.

9. Company C was a political strategy and fundraising company operating in the state of Nevada, which provided services to FIORE's PAC and City Council campaign.

10. Donor A was a contributor to Political Action Committee A, a political action committee controlled by FIORE. Donor A was a public official residing in the state of Nevada at the time of their donation.

11. Donor B was a contributor to Charity A, a 501(c)(3) charity controlled by FIORE, residing outside the State of Nevada at the time of their donation.

12. Donor C was a contributor to Charity A. Donor C was an attorney residing in the state of Nevada at the time of their donation.

13. Donor D was a contributor to Charity A. Donor D was an attorney and real estate developer residing in the state of Nevada at the time of their donation.

The Fallen Officer's Memorial

14. On or about June 8, 2014, Officers Alyn Beck and Igor Soldo of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department were killed in the line of duty.

15. On or about June 17, 2015, the Las Vegas City Council unanimously approved a measure, sponsored by then City Councilman Steven Ross, to name a new park in honor of Alyn Beck, located in Ross's Ward 6 council district. On or about June 21, 2017, FIORE was elected to

replace the retiring Councilman Ross as Ward 6 City Councilperson.

16. On or about December 18, 2018, the City of Las Vegas broke ground on Alyn Beck Memorial Park, the construction of which was to be paid for by Company A by agreement with the City of Las Vegas. At the groundbreaking ceremony, FIORE proposed the creation of a statue of Officer Beck ("the Alyn Beck Statue") to be installed at the entrance of Alyn Beck Memorial Park. FIORE told attendees at the groundbreaking ceremony that she had come up with the idea for the Alyn Beck Statue that morning.

17. On August 9, 2019, Company A entered into a purchase contract with the sculptor who created the Alyn Beck Statue to pay the cost of the creation, installation, and shipping of the statue. FIORE was aware from her role as a City Councilwoman involved in the planning of Alyn Beck Memorial Park that Company A had agreed to pay for the statue.

18. Alyn Beck Memorial Park was completed in January 2020. On January 9, 2020, the City of Las Vegas issued a news release inviting members of the public to join FIORE for the grand opening of the park and unveiling of the Alyn Beck Statue later that month.

19. In January 2020, at a meeting in FIORE's office prior to the unveiling ceremony, FIORE falsely told the sculptor who created the Alyn Beck Statue that she had appropriated discretionary funds through the City of Las Vegas to pay for the Alyn Beck Statue.

20. On January 31, 2020, the Alyn Beck Statue was unveiled at the grand opening of Alyn Beck Memorial Park. FIORE spoke at the unveiling ceremony, stating that finishing the park had been her "first goal as the new Councilwoman out here in the Northwest."

COUNT ONE
(18 U.S.C. § 1349) – Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud

21. Paragraphs 1 – 20 are incorporated and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

22. From at least as early as July 2019, to on or about January 31, 2020, in the District of Nevada and elsewhere, the defendant, MICHELE FIORE, did knowingly conspire and agree with others, known and unknown to the grand jury, to devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, and to knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of interstate wire communications for the purpose of executing such scheme or artifice, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

OBJECT OF THE CONSPIRACY

23. Beginning no later than in or around July 2019 and continuing until at least in around January 2020, within the District of Nevada and elsewhere, FIORE and Person A conspired with one another and with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury to commit wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

MANNER AND MEANS

The manner and means by which the conspiracy was sought to be accomplished included, among others, the following:

24. From at least July 2019 through at least January 2020, FIORE intentionally made material misrepresentations in soliciting tens of thousands of dollars in contributions on behalf of a charitable organization and political action committee. Specifically, FIORE represented to donors that their contributions would be used to fund the creation of the Alyn Beck Statue or another memorialization of the fallen officers. Instead of using the funds for the purposes described, FIORE spent the funds on a variety of personal expenses, including rent, travel, transfers to Person A, and payment for FIORE's daughter's wedding.

25. FIORE instructed prospective donors to write a check to a bank account that FIORE controlled at Bank of Nevada. FIORE typically collected these donor checks in person or directed Person A to collect the checks on her behalf. In the processing of these checks through the Bank of Nevada, FIORE caused the transmission of interstate wire communications. Once FIORE was in receipt of the charitable donations, FIORE directed that money to be spent not for the charitable purpose solicited, but for her own personal expenses, including rent for FIORE's personal residence, payments to Company C for political fundraising services, and payments for her daughter's wedding.

26. In order to conceal this unlawful conduct, FIORE caused the fraudulently obtained contributions to be transferred from the bank accounts of Political Action Committee A and Charity A into different bank accounts, including accounts controlled by FIORE, Company B, and Person A personally.

ACTS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CONSPIRACY

In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to accomplish its objectives, the following acts, among others not enumerated below, were committed in the District of Nevada and elsewhere:

27. On or about July 16, 2019, FIORE caused Donor A to write a $5,000 check to Political Action Committee A, FIORE's political action committee, by representing that she would use the money for the Alyn Beck Statue. Donor A made the donation for the sole purpose of funding the Alyn Beck Statue.

28. Also on or about July 16, 2019, FIORE transferred $5,000 from Political Action Committee A, to an account controlled by Person A, which Person A used at FIORE's direction to purchase money orders to pay rent on FIORE's personal residence.

29. On or about July 25, 2019, FIORE and Person A established Charity A as a Section 501(c)(3) charity "to raise funds for the Las Vegas Community to provide goods and/or services as needed."

30. On or about October 1, 2019, FIORE prepared a letter to donors in which FIORE claimed to be raising $80,000 to build a statue of Alyn Beck, with a plan to later raise $80,000 more to build a statue of Igor Soldo. In this letter, FIORE requested that donors donate funds for the statues and memorial parks to her charitable organization, Charity A In this letter, FIORE promised that "100% of all contributions are used for this charitable event." At the time that FIORE made these solicitations, Company A had already agreed to pay for the Alyn Beck Statue, a fact which was known to FIORE.

31. On or about October 17, 2019, FIORE caused Donor B to write a check for $5,000 to Charity A. This donation was made for the sole purpose of funding the Alyn Beck Statue. None of the money from Donor B's donation was spent for its solicited purpose and was instead transferred to Person A or used for FIORE's personal expenses.

32. On or about October 28, 2019, FIORE caused Donor B, a recipient of FIORE's October 1 letter, to write a check for $5,000 to Charity A. This donation was made for the sole purpose of funding the Alyn Beck Statue. None of the money from Donor B's donation was spent for its solicited purpose.

33. On or about October 29, 2019, FIORE wrote a check from Charity A made out to cash. Subsequently, FIORE caused the cash to be used to make a payment related to FIORE's daughter's wedding.

34. On or about November 12, 2019, FIORE caused $1,000 to be transferred from Charity A to FIORE's campaign account. None of the money transferred in this transaction was

used to fund the Alyn Beck Statue.

35. On or about December 3, 2019, FIORE caused Donor C, a recipient of FIORE's October 1 letter, to write a check for $10,000 to Charity A. This donation was made for the sole purpose of funding the Alyn Beck Statue. None of the money from Donor C's donation was spent for that purpose.

36. Between on or about December 3, 2019, and December 16, 2019, FIORE caused $6,600 to be transferred from Charity A to other accounts controlled by herself and Person A, including $4,400 to Company B, $1,000 to Person A's personal bank account, $500 to a political consulting company owned by FIORE, $400 to FIORE's city council campaign, and $200 Political Action Committee A.

37. On or about December 9, 2019, FIORE caused a $3,350 payment to be made from Charity A to Company C for services rendered to her City Council campaign and political action committee.

38. On or about January 21, 2020, FIORE caused Donor D to write a check for $2,500 to Charity A, making the representation that the donation would be used for charitable causes related to law enforcement. None of the money from Donor D's donation was spent for such purposes.

39. Between on or about January 3, 2020, and January 27, 2020, FIORE caused $10,800 to be transferred from Charity A to Company B's account. None of the money transferred in these transactions was used to fund the Alyn Beck Statue.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

COUNTS TWO THROUGH FIVE

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1343, 2) – Wire Fraud

The Scheme to Defraud

40. Paragraphs 1 through 39 are incorporated and realleged herein.

41. From at least as early as July 2019, to on or about January 31, 2020, the defendant, MICHELE FIORE, and others known and unknown to the grand jury, knowingly devised and intended to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money by materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

Execution of the Scheme

42. On or about the dates listed below, in the District of Nevada and elsewhere, for the purpose of executing the above-described scheme and artifice, and attempting to do so, the defendant FIORE did transmit and cause to be transmitted, by means of wire communication in interstate and foreign commerce, the writings, signals, and sounds described below, each transmission constituting a separate count:

COUNT	DATE	WIRE COMMUNICATION
2	07/16/2019	Settlement of check 1503, in the amount of $5,000 from Donor A's Account ending in 3450, deposited to Political Action Committee A's account ending in 7507, held at Bank of Nevada
3	10/28/2019	Settlement of check 1441, in the amount of $5,000 from Donor B's Account ending in 3828, deposited to Charity A account ending in 0251, held at Bank of Nevada.

4	12/03/2019	Settlement of check 4737, in the amount of $10,000 from Donor C's Account ending in 6449, deposited to Charity A account ending in 0251, held at Bank of Nevada.
5	1/21/2020	Settlement of check 1782, in the amount of $2,500 from Donor D's Account ending in 0410, deposited to Charity A account ending in 0251, held at Bank of Nevada.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 2.

FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS

43. The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth in support of this forfeiture.

44. Upon conviction of one or more of the wire fraud offenses, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343, set forth in Counts Two through Five of this Indictment, FIORE shall forfeit to the United States any property, real or personal, which represents or derived from proceeds traceable to the wire fraud offenses, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981 (a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461. The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to, a money judgment representing the value of the gross proceeds traceable to any offense of conviction.

45. If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of FIORE:

a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;

b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;

c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;

The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to, a money judgment representing the value of the gross proceeds traceable to any offense of conviction.

44. If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of FIORE:

a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;

b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;

c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;

d. has been substantially diminished in value; or

e. has been commingled with other property that cannot be divided without difficulty,

the United States shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property, and it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p) to seek forfeiture of any other property up to the value of the property listed above as being subject to forfeiture.

DATED: this 16th of July 2024

A TRUE BILL:

/S/
FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY

COREY R. AMUNDSON
Chief, Public Integrity Section
U.S. Department of Justice

Dahoud Askar & Alexander Gottfried
Trial Attorneys

PER 18 U.S.C. 3170

DEFENDANT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A CRIMINAL ACTION - IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT

☐ INFORMATION ☑ INDICTMENT

CASE NO. 2:24-cr-00155-RFB-DJA

Matter Sealed: ☐ Juvenile ☐ Other than Juvenile

☐ Pre-Indictment Plea ☐ Superseding ☐ Defendant Added
☐ Indictment ☐ Charges/Counts Added
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USA vs.

Defendant: MICHELE FIORE

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☐ Interpreter Required Dialect: ____

Birth Date ____

☐ Male ☑ Female ☐ Alien (if applicable)

Social Security Number ____

PROCEEDING

Name of Complainant Agency, or Person (& Title, if any)
Christina Burt - Kyle Jaski ~ FBI

☐ person is awaiting trial in another Federal or State Court (give name of court)

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this person/proceeding transferred from another district per (circle one) FRCrP 20, 21 or 40. Show District

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☐ this is a reprosecution of charges previously dismissed which were dismissed on motion of:
☐ U.S. Atty ☐ Defense

SHOW DOCKET NO.

this prosecution relates to a pending case involving this same defendant. (Notice of Related Case must still be filed with the Clerk.)

☐ prior proceedings or appearance(s) before U.S. Magistrate Judge regarding this defendant were recorded under

MAG. JUDGE CASE NO.

Place of offense ____ County

DEFENDANT

Issue: ☐ Warrant ☑ Summons

Location Status:

Arrest Date ____ or Date Transferred to Federal Custody ____

☐ Currently in Federal Custody
☐ Currently in State Custody
☐ Writ Required
☐ Currently on bond
☐ Fugitive

Defense Counsel (if any): ____

☐ FPD ☐ CJA ☐ RET'D
☐ Appointed on Target Letter

☐ This report amends AO 257 previously submitted

OFFENSE CHARGED - U.S.C. CITATION - STATUTORY MAXIMUM PENALTIES - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS

Total # of Counts 5

Set	Title & Section/Offense Level (Petty = 1 / Misdemeanor = 3 / Felony = 4)	Description of Offense Charged	Count(s)
	18 U.S.C. § 1349	Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud	1
	18 U.S.C. §§ 1343, 2	Wire Fraud	2 thru 5

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITH SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 26th day of July, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, with salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(1)(a). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the ZOOM virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's Website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5), the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to suspend with salary and an opportunity to respond. You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5).

Please submit written responses to:

Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel & Executive Director
Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511
ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this notice to Respondent via email.

DATED this 18th day of July, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: _____
GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 18th day of July, 2024, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITH SALARY** by email addressed to the following:

Hon. Michele Fiore
mifiore@nyecountynv.gov
Respondent

Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
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CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,
Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township
Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 89037

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 9(4), I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on July 24, 2024.

DATED this 24th day of July, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
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By:
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

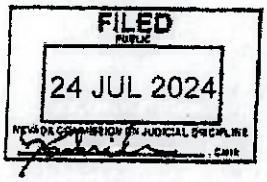
I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 24th day of July, 2024, I served a copy of the CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY by email and U.S. Mail, addressed to the following:

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Counsel for Respondent

By: _____
Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY

On July 18, 2024, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent to Suspend Respondent with Salary ("Notice"). The Notice was not filed publicly pursuant to NRS 1.4683(1) and NRS 1.4675(5) due to confidentiality prohibitions at the time, but a copy of it is attached hereto and will be made part of the public record in this case. In accordance with the Notice and NRS 1.4675(5), Michael Sanft, Esq., on behalf of Respondent, notified the Commission in writing on July 23, 2024, that Respondent waives her statutory right to a public hearing with respect to the Commission's intent to suspend Respondent with salary.

Therefore, based on a pending indictment charging Respondent with a crime punishable as a felony pursuant to the laws of the United States as set forth in the Criminal Indictment filed against Respondent in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on July 16, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-0155-RFB-DJA), a copy of which is attached to this Order, by unanimous vote of Commissioners Gary Vause (Chairman), Stefanie Humphrey (Vice-Chair), John Krmpotic, Karl Armstrong, Esq., Patricia Halstead, Esq., Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace - Reno) and Honorable Natalie Tyrrell (Justice of the Peace – North Las Vegas), and pursuant to NRS 1.4675(1(a) and (5):

EFFECTIVE AS OF 12:01 A.M. ON JULY 26, 2024, RESPONDENT IS SUSPENDED FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY.

The Commissioners above have authorized the Chairman of the Commission to sign this Order Suspending Respondent From The Exercise Of Judicial Office With Salary on its behalf. The Clerk of

the Commission shall promptly file a certified copy of this Order with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 24th day of July, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: _____
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COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 24rd day of July, 2024, I served a copy of the **ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY** by email and U.S. mail, addressed to the following:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITH SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 26th day of July, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, with salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(1)(a). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the ZOOM virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's Website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5), the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to suspend with salary and an opportunity to respond. You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5).

Please submit written responses to:

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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this notice to Respondent via email.

DATED this 18th day of July, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
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Hon. Michele Fiore
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Respondent

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MICHELE FIORE,

Defendant.

CRIMINAL INDICTMENT

Case No. 2:24-cr-0155-RFB-DJA

VIOLATIONS:

Count One:

18 U.S.C. § 1349 (Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud)

Counts Two – Five

18 U.S.C. § 1343 (Wire Fraud)

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,
Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township
Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 89037

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 9(4), I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on September 23, 2024.

DATED this 23rd day of September, 2024.

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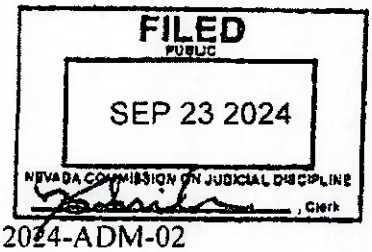
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY

On July 24, 2024, the Commission issued an Order Suspending Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office with Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(1)(a) and (5).

Under NRS 1.4675(7), within 60 days after a decision by the Commission to suspend a judge, the Commission shall (a) have a formal statement of charges filed against the judge; (b) rescind the suspension; or (c) enter into a deferred discipline agreement with the judge pursuant to NRS 1.468. Since the filing of a formal statement of charges is premature given the pending federal indictment of Respondent, and a deferred discipline agreement is not justified under NRS 1.468, the Commission must rescind the suspension of Respondent.

However, under Commission Procedural Rule 9(6)(C), "if the suspension was mandatory pursuant to NRS 1.4675(1)(a), and the circumstances mandating suspension still exist after sixty days, the Commission must reinstate the suspension immediately without a public hearing."

Therefore, since the circumstances mandating the suspension of Respondent still exist after sixty days, and based on the pending indictment charging Respondent with a crime punishable as a felony pursuant to the laws of the United States as set forth in the Criminal Indictment filed against Respondent in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on July 16, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-0155-RFB-DJA), as amended, by unanimous vote of Commissioners Gary Vause (Chairman), Stefanie Humphrey (Vice-Chair), John Krmpotic, Karl Armstrong, Esq., Patricia Halstead, Esq., Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace - Reno) and Honorable Natalie Tyrrell (Justice of the

Peace – North Las Vegas), and pursuant to NRS 1.4675(1)(a) and (5) and Commission Procedural Rule 9(6)(C):

RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY IS RESCINDED AND IMMEDIATELY REINSTATED.

The Commissioners above have authorized the Chairman of the Commission to sign this Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office with Salary on its behalf. The Clerk of the Commission shall promptly file a certified copy of this Order with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 23rd day of September, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

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GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 18th day of October, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5), the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to suspend without salary and an opportunity to respond. You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on October 9, 2024, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5).

Please submit written responses to:

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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 4th day of October, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

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GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of:	:	
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THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,	:	Case No. 2024-ADM-02
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Respondent.		

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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

HEARING

(BY ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

REPORTED BY: ERIN T. FERRETTO, CCR #281

JOB NO. 6970905

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 2024, 12:07 P.M.

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MR. VAUSE: Being as it's one minute before noon, I'm going to say good morning. I'm Gary Vause, Chairman of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline, and this being the time and the place that is scheduled in the matter of the Honorable Michelle Fiore, I hereby call this meeting of the Commission to order.

Nancy Schreihans, Clerk to the Commission, will be calling roll for the purposes of establishing a quorum, and then Commissioner Karl Armstrong will be conducting the hearing.

So I'll turn it over to Nancy and then to Karl.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Chair, Gary Vause?

MR. VAUSE: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Vice-Chair, Stephanie Humphrey?

MS. HUMPHREY: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Presiding Officer, Karl Armstrong?

CHAIRMAN ARMSTRONG: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Judicial Member, Judge Bertschy?

Sorry, Judge, you're muted.

JUDGE BERTSCHY: Here. Can you hear me now?

MS. SCHREIHANS: I can. Thank you.

Commission Judicial Member, Judge Tyrrell?

JUDGE TYRRELL: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Attorney Member, Patricia Halstead?

MS. HALSTEAD: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Layperson, Joe Sanford?

MR. SANFORD: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission General Counsel, Paul Deyhle?

MR. DEYHLE: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Associate Counsel, Dominika Batten.

MS. BATTEN: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Senior Associate Counsel, Tom Wilson.

MR. WILSON: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Clerk to the Commission, Valerie Carter?

MS. CARTER: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Clerk to the Commission, Kadie Seghieri.

MS. SEGHIERI: Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Counsel for Respondent, Paola Armeni?

MS. ARMENI: Good morning. Paola Armeni. Here.

MS. SCHREIHANS: I apologize. How do you say it again?

MS. ARMENI: It's okay. My first name is Paola.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Paola. Thank you.

MS. ARMENI: Thank you.

MS. SCHREIHANS: And then just for the record, the Zoom meeting is being recorded, as you probably all heard the prompt, and also the court reporter, Erin Ferretto, is also present.

And at this time I will turn it over to Presiding Officer Karl Armstrong.

CHAIRMAN ARMSTRONG: This hearing has been called based upon a conviction that has occurred in the Federal Court under Case No. 2.24-CR-00155-JAD-DJA-1 in which a jury verdict was filed on October 3rd, 2024, convicting Judge Michele Fiore of seven counts of an Indictment.

Pursuant to our rule, NRS 1.4675(2)(b), the

Commission may suspend a judicial member if they are found guilty of a crime. At this time, Judge Fiore has asked that we give her time to respond to that motion that has been filed before the Commission, and this is the time set to hear Judge Fiore's arguments relative to whether or not the Commission may suspend her without pay based upon the federal conviction.

Ms. Paola -- Armeni -- I'm sorry, I'm getting it all wrong -- counsel for Ms. Fiore, could you state your appearance, as well as any arguments you want to make on behalf of Judge Fiore?

MS. ARMENI: Yes. Thank you, Commissioner Armstrong.

Paola Armeni from Clark Hill on behalf of Judge Michele Fiore.

CHAIRMAN ARMSTRONG: Could you give us -- this is her time in order to respond to our motion to suspend without pay. Could you make a statement on her behalf or she can make statements on her own behalf relative to this is the time and place for that to take place.

MS. ARMENI: Thank you. I will be making the statement on her behalf this afternoon.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this honorable commission. As I stated, my name is Paola

Armeni from Clark Hill, and I have the honor to represent the Honorable Judge Michele Fiore.

Although I understand that NRS 1.4675 subsection (2)(b) allows this Commission to suspend Judge Fiore without salary due to the recent jury verdict, I ask that you do not do so. This particular section of the NRS utilizing the provision may suspend, not shall suspend. Thus, this Commission does have discretion to not suspend her salary.

As we know, the verdict does not stem from any allegations associated with her role as a justice of the peace, and in that role Judge Fiore has only received the highest praise from the Nye County community, winning the primary election outright with 58 percent of the vote. The community continues, despite the verdict, to be very supportive of her during this time. This includes all of the Nye County Commissioners. There are five Nye County Commissioners and each one of them, Bruce Jabbour, Frank Carbone, Donna Cox, Debra Strickland and Ron Boskovich, each reached out individually to express what an asset Judge Fiore is to Nye County and the bench, and support that her salary continue while her criminal case is still pending in the Federal District Court.

I was recently appointed to represent Judge Fiore

in her criminal case in federal court, and we are in the process of evaluating the case but do expect that there will be issues that will both support post-trial motions and an appeal. The post-trial motion deadline was originally set for October 17th, so this week; however, due to my recent appointment and things out of my control, such as trial transcripts being prepared, we have asked the court to extend that deadline and give us an additional 90 days.

Motions that we will likely file will be a motion for new trial and motion for judgment of acquittal, and if those are granted those will invalidate the current jury verdict. So to take action today and suspend her salary would be premature. Similarly, with an appeal in this matter, if successful on appeal, this is yet another way that the current verdict may not stand.

Reducing her salary before her criminal case is fully adjudicated, is as of right now there is no judgment of conviction in place, would be premature and cause Judge Fiore unnecessary financial hardship violating the principles of fairness to allow the criminal process to fully be complete.

For these reasons, I ask that Judge Fiore's salary not be suspended until her criminal case is completely

adjudicated through appeal or, at minimum, until the federal court has sentenced her in this matter.

I thank you for your time today.

CHAIRMAN ARMSTRONG: Thank you.

The Commission will now go into private session. This public hearing is now concluded. And we thank all the parties that have been present for this public hearing and we will issue our findings at a later date pursuant to statute.

Thank you, everyone.

MS. ARMENI: Thank you.

(At 12:07 p.m., hearing concluded.)

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STATE OF NEVADA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE)

I, ERIN T. FERRETTO, an Official Reporter of the Second Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Washoe, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I was present at the above-entitled hearing by Zoom videoconference on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH 2024, and took verbatim stenotype notes of the proceedings had upon the matter captioned within, and thereafter transcribed them into typewriting as herein appears;

That the foregoing transcript is a full, true and correct transcription of my stenotype notes of said proceedings.

That I am not related to or employed by any parties or attorneys herein, nor financially interested in the outcome of these proceedings.

DATED: This 5th day of November, 2024.



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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,
Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township
Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 89037

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 9(5), I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on October 21, 2024.

DATED this 21st day of October, 2024.

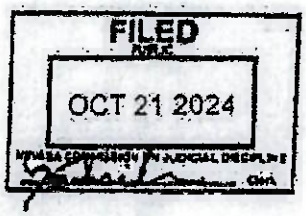
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

On October 4, 2024, the Commission issued Respondent a Notice of Commission's Intent to Suspend Without Salary ("Notice"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. In accordance with the Notice and NRS 1.4675(5), Respondent notified the Commission in writing on October 9, 2024, and requested the opportunity to appear at a public hearing to respond.

On October 18, 2024, a public hearing was held via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and was available to the public live via YouTube. The Presiding Officer of the Commission presented the Jury Verdict against Respondent which was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

Pursuant to the Jury Verdict, the jury found Respondent guilty of seven (7) felony counts under the laws of the United States as set forth in the Criminal Indictment filed against Respondent on July 16, 2024, as amended. Paola M. Armeni, Esq., counsel for Respondent, presented Respondent's response to the Notice.

Therefore, in consideration of the Jury Verdict and Respondent's response to the Notice, by unanimous vote of Commissioners Gary Vause (Chairman), Stefanie Humphrey (Vice-Chair), Karl Armstrong, Esq. (Presiding Officer), Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace - Reno), Patricia Halstead, Esq., Joseph Sanford, and Honorable Natalie Tyrrell (Justice of the Peace - North Las Vegas), and pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and (5):

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, RESPONDENT IS SUSPENDED FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY.

The Commissioners above have authorized the Chairman of the Commission to sign this Order Suspending Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary on its behalf. The Clerk of the Commission shall promptly file a certified copy of this Order with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 21st day of October, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: _____
GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT 1

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 18th day of October, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5), the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to suspend without salary and an opportunity to respond. You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on October 9, 2024, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5).

Please submit written responses to:

Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel & Executive Director
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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 4th day of October, 2024.

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P.O. Box 18123
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By: _____
GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 4th day of October, 2024, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITHOUT SALARY** by email and U.S. mail, addressed to the following:

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EXHIBIT 2

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

United States of America,

Plaintiff

v.

Michele Fiore,

Defendant

Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1

Jury Verdict

We, the jury in the above-entitled case, upon our oaths, do say:

1. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud as charged in Count One of the Indictment.

2. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Two of the Indictment.

3. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Three of the Indictment.

4. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Four of the Indictment.

5. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Five of the Indictment.

6. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Six of the Indictment.

7. That we unanimously find Defendant Michele Fiore (check one):

☐ Not Guilty ☒ Guilty

of Wire Fraud as charged in Count Seven of the Indictment.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 21st day of October, 2024, I served a copy of the ORDER SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY by email and U.S. Mail, addressed to the following:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 13th day of December, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding rescinding and reinstating the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

On October 21, 2024, the Commission issued an Order Suspending Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and (5). Under NRS 1.4675(7), within 60 days after a decision by the Commission to suspend a judge, the Commission shall (a) have a formal statement of charges filed against the judge; (b) rescind the suspension; or (c) enter into a deferred discipline agreement with the judge pursuant to NRS 1.468.

Since the filing of a formal statement of charges is premature given Respondent's pending sentencing date scheduled for March 10, 2025, based on the Jury Verdict against Respondent filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-00155-JAD_DJA-1), and a deferred discipline agreement is not justified under NRS 1.468, the Commission must rescind the suspension of Respondent.

Pursuant to PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii), since "the circumstances justifying the Commission's previous decision to suspend the judge still exist after sixty days, the Commission may rescind and immediately reinstate the suspension but must hold a public hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) unless the judge waives the right to the hearing."

Accordingly, the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to rescind and reinstate Respondent's suspension without salary and an opportunity to respond pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on December 6, 2024, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii).

Please submit written responses to:

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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this Notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 2nd day of December, 2024.

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By: _____
GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 2nd day of December, 2024, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY** by email and U.S. mail, addressed to the following:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of Case No. 2024-ADM-02

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,

Justice of the Peace, Nye County,

State of Nevada,

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ZOOM VIDEO-CONFERENCE HEARING

Friday, December 13, 2024

Reno, Nevada

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Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk
Valerie Carter, Commission Clerk
Paola Armeni, Esq. for Respondent Fiore

Friday, December 13, 2024 - 12:00 p.m.

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CHAIR VAUSE: This is the time and the place in the matter of the Honorable Michele Fiore, Justice of the Peace, Nye County, State of Nevada. As Commission Chairman, I hereby call this hearing of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline to order.

I ask Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk, to call roll and establish a quorum. And then we ask Karl Armstrong, Commissioner, to preside over the public portion of this hearing. After the public portion the commissioners will retire to deliberate, and that's our order of business today. Nancy.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Thank you, Chairman. As I call roll, if you don't mind acknowledging and consenting that this is being recorded via Zoom.

We'll start with Commission Chair Gary Vause.

CHAIR VAUSE: I'm here, and I consent to being recorded.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Vice-Chair, Stefanie Humphrey.

MS. HUMPHREY: I'm here, and I consent to

being recorded.

CHAIR VAUSE: Presiding Officer Karl Armstrong.

MR. ARMSTRONG: I'm here and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Justice of the Peace, Kendra Bertschy.

MS. BERTSCHY: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Justice of the Peace Natalie Tyrrell.

MS. TYRRELL: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commissioner Patricia Halstead.

MS. HALSTEAD: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commissioner Joe Sanford.

MR. SANFORD: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Executive Director and General Counsel Paul Deyhle.

MR. DEYHLE: I'm here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Senior Associate Counsel Dominika Batten.

MS. BATTEN: I'm here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Senior Associate Counsel Tom Wilson.

MR. WILSON: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Clerk to the Commission

Valerie Carter.

MS. CARTER: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Clerk to the Commission Kadie Seghieri.

MS. SEGHIERI: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Respondent, Michele Fiore.

MS. FIORE: Here and I -- can you hear me?

MS. SCHREIHANS: Yes, we can.

MS. FIORE: Here, and I consent.

CHAIR VAUSE: Thank you.

Attorney for Respondent, Paola Armeni.

MS. ARMENI: Here, and I consent.

CHAIR VAUSE: And our court reporter, Tina DalPino.

REPORTER DALPINO: Yes, I'm here and I consent. Thank you.

MS. SCHREIHANS: And I'm Nancy Schreihans, Clerk to the Commission and I consent as well.

At this time I will turn it over to our presiding officer, Karl Armstrong.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Pursuant to Procedural Rule JDC 9.6C(2)and NRS 1.4675, this is a hearing set for both to rescind the prior order relative to suspension without pay for Judge Fiore as well as the possibility of reinstating that order. This is

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something that the Commission may do after hearing from the respondent.

At this time the respondent has not waived this hearing and has a chance to address the Commission relative to the matters on the agenda.

I turn it over to Judge Fiore as well as her counsel, Ms. Paolo Armeni.

MS. ARMENI: Thank you for the opportunity to address this honorable Commission. My name is Paola Armeni and I represent the Honorable Judge Michele Fiore.

As this Commission is aware, I stood before you on October 18th, 2024, and requested that this Commission not suspend Judge Fiore's salary.

In doing so, I highlighted several factors, which included, one, the decision to suspend her salary was not a mandatory decision for this Commission; and, two, Judge Fiore still hadn't been sentenced, heard on her post-trial motions, and her appellate rights had not been exhausted and, thus, a suspension of her salary at that time would be premature.

The Commission found against Judge Fiore. We have appealed that decision to the Nevada Supreme Court and that appeal is currently pending.

Thereafter we received a notice to rescind and reinstate the Commission's previous decision and, therefore, the reason we're back here today.

I will note that it appears that the Procedural Rules to the Nevada Judicial Discipline Commission were specifically revised for Judge Fiore and to allow this specific hearing to take place.

In April of 2023 the Nevada Supreme Court commissioned a study of the statutes and rules governing this Commission. As part of that study, the Commission undertook a comprehensive review of the procedural rules and approved amendments in September of 2024 that were contained in the October 4th, 2024, order.

Rule 9.6, subsection C, subsection Roman Numeral 2 lower case was not included in the amendments. There were only provisions for when salary was suspended under the mandatory triggers of the statute.

The October 4th, 2024, order requested public comment by November 4th, 2024. No public comment was received by the Commission, as reported by the Commission's office. However, the revised rules in 2024 that are found on the Commission's website added a section, that section specifically

being used today, which is 9.6, subsection capital C, subsection Roman Numeral 2 lower case.

The only thing that between October 4th, 2024, and November of 2024 to trigger that change was Judge Fiore's first hearing on October 18th to suspend her salary without pay. The factors I argued on October 18th, 2024, still are applicable and relevant but, in addition, I asked the Commission to consider three additional points.

First, the notice to rescind and reinstate suggested that the only option in this scenario was to rescind the suspension and reinstate it. And the reason for that being the only option was because a formal statement of charges was premature because Judge Fiore had not been sentenced yet.

So the Commission recognizes that actual sentencing in a criminal case plays an important trigger in criminal cases and how it interplays with the judicial rules. Regardless of the situation whether Judge Fiore is suspended, she could be -- irregardless of the salary or without the salary, she is still suspended. Premature -- it would be premature to suspend her without pay when she has not been sentenced.

This court, the Commission has recognized

that and that's why a statement of charges has not been filed. I'd ask you to use that same logic to find that it would be premature to suspend her without pay.

Two, unfair prejudice. The judge has been suspended without salary. However, she is still subject to the judicial canons. As most of you know, most of Judge Fiore's employment experience prior to becoming a judge was in the political arena, so naturally when she's looking for employment opportunities, the political arena would be somewhere where she would go to generate income.

However, she cannot do that currently because she's still an elected judge subject to the judicial canon. Therefore, she's essentially being double-whammied, if you will, by her source of income being suspended from this Commission and she cannot obtain employment in the area that she's most knowledgeable.

And last, third, the efficiency of the process. This is a second time we are before you, which is going to cause us to supplement the current appeal. But if the Commission reinstates their decision, we will be here at least one more time based on the current sentencing of March 10th. I

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can tell you there's a possibility that that March 10th sentencing date may also be moved, but as of right now we will be before this Commission at least one more time, if not two more times, on the same issue with a 60-day trigger of having to come back and hear this again.

For all these reasons, as well as the reasons I argued on October 18th, I would ask you to rescind the current suspension without pay. Thank you.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Judge Fiore, do you have any comments to make for the Commission before we deliberate?

MS. FIORE: Can you hear me?

MR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

MS. FIORE: I think my -- I believe my attorney said it all. Her words are very strong and very accurate.

If there was a way I could literally show you what's in the 90,000 pages of sealed discovery, all of you would be shocked and I would never wish it upon you.

I've been stalked, which legally they call "surveilled," for seven years. The D.O.J. and the F.B.I. has spent over millions of dollars doing

this. This is a personal vendetta and a malicious prosecution. And I beg you to please let me have my salary back because this is -- has created such a hardship, as my attorney has told you. That's what I'm going to say.

And I believe as judges here on this call, I believe it is upon us to practice being innocent before guilty, and I think suspending me without pay is -- is unjust. That's it.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Thank you.

The Commission will now go into private session to deliberate. We will provide you with our decision in writing within the statutory time frame. With that, the public hearing will be closed.

MS. CARTER: If everyone could give me just a minute to make sure everyone's off the call and YouTube, then I will let you know when we can reconvene.

(End of reported proceedings 12:12 p.m.)

STATE OF NEVADA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE)

I, TINA M. DALPINO, a Certified Court Reporter in and for the states of Nevada and California, do hereby certify:

That I was present for the purpose of acting as Certified Court Reporter in the matter entitled herein;

That said transcript which appears hereinbefore was taken in verbatim stenotype notes by me and thereafter transcribed into typewriting as herein appears to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability and is a true record thereof.

DATED: At Reno, Nevada, this 13th day of December 2025.

Tina M. DalPino

/S/ Tina M. DalPino
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Rule 30

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In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,
Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township
Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 89037

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 9(5), I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on December 18, 2024.

DATED this 18th day of December, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
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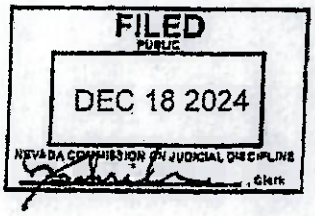
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

On December 2, 2024, the Commission issued Respondent a Notice of Commission's Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension of Respondent Without Salary ("Notice"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. In accordance with the Notice, NRS 1.4675(5) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii), Respondent notified the Commission in writing on December 3, 2024, and requested the opportunity to appear at a public hearing to respond.

On December 13, 2024, a public hearing was held via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and was available to the public live via YouTube. Pursuant to the Jury Verdict, which was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1), the jury found Respondent guilty of seven (7) felony counts under the laws of the United States as set forth in the Criminal Indictment filed against Respondent on July 16, 2024, as amended. Respondent and Paola M. Armeni, Esq., counsel for Respondent, presented Respondent's response to the Notice.

Therefore, in consideration of the Jury Verdict and Respondent's response to the Notice, by unanimous vote of Commissioners Gary Vause (Chairman), Stefanie Humphrey (Vice-Chair), Karl Armstrong, Esq. (Presiding Officer), Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace – Reno), Patricia

Halstead, Esq., Joseph Sanford, and Honorable Natalie Tyrrell (Justice of the Peace – North Las Vegas), and pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and (5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii):

RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY IS RESCINDED AND IMMEDIATELY REINSTATED AS OF DECEMBER 20, 2024.

The Commissioners above have authorized the Chairman of the Commission to sign this Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary on its behalf. The Clerk of the Commission shall promptly file a certified copy of this Order with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 18th day of December, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: _____
GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT 1

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 13th day of December, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding rescinding and reinstating the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

On October 21, 2024, the Commission issued an Order Suspending Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and (5). Under NRS 1.4675(7), within 60 days after a decision by the Commission to suspend a judge, the Commission shall (a) have a formal statement of charges filed against the judge; (b) rescind the suspension; or (c) enter into a deferred discipline agreement with the judge pursuant to NRS 1.468.

Since the filing of a formal statement of charges is premature given Respondent's pending sentencing date scheduled for March 10, 2025, based on the Jury Verdict against Respondent filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-00155-JAD_DJA-1), and a deferred discipline agreement is not justified under NRS 1.468, the Commission must rescind the suspension of Respondent.

Pursuant to PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii), since "the circumstances justifying the Commission's previous decision to suspend the judge still exist after sixty days, the Commission may rescind and immediately reinstate the suspension but must hold a public hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) unless the judge waives the right to the hearing."

Accordingly, the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to rescind and reinstate Respondent's suspension without salary and an opportunity to respond pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on December 6, 2024, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii).

Please submit written responses to:

Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel & Executive Director
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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this Notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 2nd day of December, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: _____
GARY VAUSE
COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 2nd day of December, 2024, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY** by email and U.S. mail, addressed to the following:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of Case No. 2024-ADM-02

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,

Justice of the Peace, Nye County,

State of Nevada,

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ZOOM VIDEO-CONFERENCE HEARING

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Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Reno, Nevada

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Gia Marina, Esq. for Respondent Fiore

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 - 12:00 p.m.

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MS. HUMPHREY: This meeting is called to order. Good morning, everyone. It is February 11th, 2025, and this is the time and date set for the public hearing before the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline for the Honorable Judge Michele Fiore in Case 2024-Admin-02. This is regarding the notice intent to rescind and reinstate her suspension without salary.

With that, I'll turn it over to Nancy for roll:

MS. SCHREIHANS: As I take roll, if you would not mind indicating that you consent to this being recorded, I'd appreciate it.

Commission Chair, Stefanie Humphrey.

MS. HUMPHREY: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Vice Chair, John Krmpotic.

MR. KRMPOTIC: Here, and I consent.

THE COURT: Presiding Officer, Karl Armstrong.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Justice of the Peace Kendra Bertschy.

MS. BERTSCHY: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commissioner Patricia Halstead.

MS. HALSTEAD: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commissioner Joe Sanford.

MR. SANFORD: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Justice of the Peace Barbara Schifalacqua.

MS. SCHIFALACQUA: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Paul Deyhle.

MR. DEYHLE: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Sr. Counsel Dominika Batten.

MS. BATTEN: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHRI: Commission Sr. Associate Counsel Tom Wilson.

MR. WILSON: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Clerk Valerie Carter.

MS. CARTER: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Commission Clerk Kadie Seghieri.

MS. SEGHIERI: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Attorney for Respondent, Gia Marina.

MS. MARINA: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: Court Reporter, Tina DalPino.

THE COURT REPORTER: Here and I consent.

MS. SCHREIHANS: And I'm also a commission Clerk, Nancy Schriehans.

And with that, I will turn it over to our presiding officer, Karl Armstrong.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Okay. This is the time set for hearing from the respondent relative to a decision the commission needs to make relative to a notice to rescind a suspension and a decision to continue the suspension without salary for Justice of the Peace Michele Fiore.

At this time I'm going to allow Gia Marina, who is representing the respondent, to address the commission.

MS. MARINA: Thank you to the commission for being here today. I know you have been here a few times prior on this matter and I appreciate your time.

My name is Gia Marina and I represent the Honorable Judge Michele Fiore.

As this commission's aware, we've stood before you two prior times. My colleague, Ms. Armeni, was here in my stead, and we requested that this commission not suspend Judge Fiore's salary.

In doing so, we mentioned several factors that we highlighted, including that the decision to suspend her salary wasn't mandatory and, second, that Judge Fiore still has not been sentenced for her criminal case. She has not been heard on post-trial motions and nor have her appellate rights been exhausted and, thus, we have argued before you that the suspension of her salary would be premature.

This commission found against Judge Fiore, and we did appeal that decision and that appeal is pending. The factors that Judge Fiore through her counsel here before you has argued are still relevant. However, I wanted to ask the commission to consider two things.

Importantly, Ms. Fiore on January 31st of 2025 exercised her right to petition the court for a judgment of acquittal, notwithstanding the jury

verdict, as well as a motion for a new trial.

A significant basis of these motions is that Judge Fiore was denied her right to a fair trial guaranteed by the Sixth Amendment to the constitution. I ask this commission to consider this procedural posture of Judge Fiore's case and the fact that her rights have not been exhausted. Either motion that Judge Fiore filed with the district court could invalidate the jury verdict.

I also ask this commission to consider the undue prejudice that Judge Fiore has endured. A significant part of Judge Fiore's employment and experience has been in the political world. She is still an elected judge and cannot seek employment to generate an income.

She is parallel battling for her rights and these rights are important. They are guaranteed by the constitution. And there were several bases that she was denied those rights at her trial.

She is still subject to the judicial canons. She is performing as a sitting judge. She's expected to uphold her ethical duties as it relates to that, but she cannot generate income and live her daily life while she is exhausting these

various remedies.

The conduct, importantly, that Judge Fiore was accused of committing did not occur while she was sitting as a justice of the peace, as we've argued before this commission. And while the statutory construct of NRS 1.46752(b) does allow this commission to suspend Judge Fiore without salary due to the recent jury verdict, this commission does have the discretion pursuant to that statute to not suspend her salary.

I would ask you, this commission, based on the procedural posture of Judge Fiore's case, that any suspension without pay is premature.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Thank you. Anything else?

MS. MARINA: For these reasons we would ask that you rescind the suspension without pay and I will submit that to the commission. I thank you for your time.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Thank you.

At this time the commission will go into private session to deliberate on the decisions that they must reach. Thank you, Ms. Marina.

MS. MARINA: Thank you.

MS. HUMPHREY: Everybody stay on the line,

please, except those not on the commission.

MS. CARTER: We will ask that a transcript go ahead and be prepared for this. If you have any questions, just feel free to reach out to me anytime.

(End of proceedings at 12:12 p.m.)

STATE OF NEVADA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE)

I, TINA M. DALPINO, a Certified Court Reporter in and for the states of Nevada and California, do hereby certify:

That I was personally present for the purpose of acting as Certified Court Reporter in the matter entitled herein;

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DATED: At Reno, Nevada, this 11th day of February 2025.



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Rule 30

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,
Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township
Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 89037

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 9(5), I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on February 14, 2025.

DATED this 14th day of February, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
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PAUL C. DEYHLE
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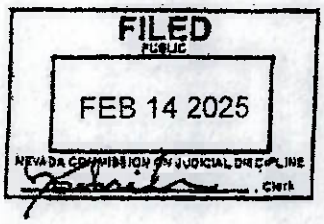
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

On February 3, 2025, the Commission issued Respondent a Notice of Commission's Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension of Respondent Without Salary ("Notice"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. In accordance with the Notice, NRS 1.4675(5) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii), Respondent notified the Commission in writing on February 6, 2025, and requested the opportunity to appear at a public hearing to respond.

On February 11, 2025, a public hearing was held via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and was available to the public live via YouTube. Pursuant to the Jury Verdict, which was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1), the jury found Respondent guilty of seven (7) felony counts under the laws of the United States as set forth in the Criminal Indictment filed against Respondent on July 16, 2024, as amended. Gia Marina, Esq., counsel for Respondent, presented Respondent's response to the Notice.

Therefore, in consideration of the Jury Verdict and Respondent's response to the Notice, by unanimous vote of Commissioners Stefanie Humphrey (Chairwoman), John Krmpotic (Vice-Chair), Karl Armstrong, Esq. (Presiding Officer), Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace – Reno),

Patricia Halstead, Esq., Joseph Sanford, and Honorable Barbara Schifalacqua (Justice of the Peace – Henderson), and pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and (5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii):

RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY IS RESCINDED AND IMMEDIATELY REINSTATED AS OF FEBRUARY 14, 2025

The Commissioners above have authorized the Chairwoman of the Commission to sign this Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary on its behalf. The Clerk of the Commission shall promptly file a certified copy of this Order with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 14th day of February 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: Stefanie A. Humphrey
STEFANIE HUMPHREY
COMMISSION CHAIRWOMAN

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 11th day of February, 2025, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding rescinding and reinstating the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

On December 18, 2024, the Commission issued an Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). Under NRS 1.4675(7), within 60 days after a decision by the Commission to suspend a judge, the Commission shall (a) have a formal statement of charges filed against the judge; (b) rescind the suspension; or (c) enter into a deferred discipline agreement with the judge pursuant to NRS 1.468.

Since the filing of a formal statement of charges is premature given Respondent's pending sentencing date scheduled for March 10, 2025, based on the Jury Verdict against Respondent filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-00155-

JAD_DJA-1), and a deferred discipline agreement is not justified under NRS 1.468, the Commission must rescind the suspension of Respondent.

Pursuant to PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii), since "the circumstances justifying the Commission's previous decision to suspend the judge still exist after sixty days, the Commission may rescind and immediately reinstate the suspension but must hold a public hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) unless the judge waives the right to the hearing."

Accordingly, the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to rescind and reinstate Respondent's suspension without salary and an opportunity to respond pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on February 7, 2025, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii).

Please submit written responses to:

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Reno, NV 89511
ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this Notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 3rd day of February, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: Stefanie Humphrey
STEFANIE HUMPHREY
COMMISSION CHAIR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 3rd day of February, 2025, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY** by email and U.S. mail, addressed to the following:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 7th day of April, 2025, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding rescinding and reinstating the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

On February 14, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). Under NRS 1.4675(7), within 60 days after a decision by the Commission to suspend a judge, the Commission shall (a) have a formal statement of charges filed against the judge; (b) rescind the suspension; or (c) enter into a deferred discipline agreement with the judge pursuant to NRS 1.468.

Since the filing of a formal statement of charges is premature given Respondent's pending sentencing date scheduled for April 14, 2025, based on the Jury Verdict against Respondent filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-00155-JAD_DJA-1), and a deferred discipline agreement is not justified under NRS 1.468, the Commission must rescind the suspension of Respondent.

Pursuant to PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii), since "the circumstances justifying the Commission's previous decision to suspend the judge still exist after sixty days, the Commission may rescind and immediately reinstate the suspension but must hold a public hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) unless the judge waives the right to the hearing."

Accordingly, the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to rescind and reinstate Respondent's suspension without salary and an opportunity to respond pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on March 28, 2025, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii).

Please submit written responses to:

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The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this Notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 21st day of March, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
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By: Stephanie Humphrey
STEFANIE HUMPHREY
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CASE NO. 89037

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

Pursuant to Commission Procedural Rule 9(5), I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on April 14, 2025.

DATED this 14th day of April, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511
(775) 687-4017

By: _____
PAUL C. DEYHLE
General Counsel and Executive Director
Nevada Bar No. 6954

25-16706

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

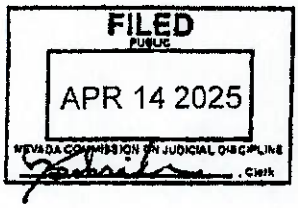
I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 14th day of April, 2025, I served a copy of the ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY by email addressed to the following:

PAOLA M. ARMENI, ESQ.
CLARK HILL PLLC
parmeni@clarkhill.com
Counsel for Respondent

By: _____
Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

ORDER RESCINDING AND REINSTATING SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY

On March 21, 2025, the Commission issued Respondent a Notice of Commission's Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension of Respondent Without Salary ("Notice"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. In accordance with the Notice, NRS 1.4675(5) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii), Respondent notified the Commission in writing on March 25, 2025, and requested the opportunity to appear at a public hearing to respond.

On April 7, 2025, a public hearing was held via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and was available to the public live via YouTube. Pursuant to the Jury Verdict, which was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1), the jury found Respondent guilty of seven (7) felony counts under the laws of the United States as set forth in the Criminal Indictment filed against Respondent on July 16, 2024, as amended. Gia Marina, Esq., counsel for Respondent, presented Respondent's response to the Notice.

Therefore, in consideration of the unanimous Jury Verdict and Respondent's response to the Notice as presented by her counsel, and noting that Respondent has requested three continuances of the sentencing hearing in this matter, by unanimous vote of Commissioners Stefanie Humphrey

(Chairwoman), John Krmpotic (Vice-Chair), Karl Armstrong, Esq. (Presiding Officer), Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace – Reno), Patricia Halstead, Esq., Joseph Sanford, and Honorable Barbara Schifalacqua (Justice of the Peace – Henderson), and pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and (5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii):

RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY IS RESCINDED AND IMMEDIATELY REINSTATED AS OF APRIL 15, 2025

The Commissioners above have authorized the Chairwoman of the Commission to sign this Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary on its behalf. The Clerk of the Commission shall promptly file a certified copy of this Order with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 14th day of April 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: Stefanie Humphrey
STEFANIE HUMPHREY
COMMISSION CHAIRWOMAN

EXHIBIT 1

BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 7th day of April, 2025, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing regarding rescinding and reinstating the suspension of Judge Michele Fiore from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and Commission Procedural Rule ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii). The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

On February 14, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Rescinding and Reinstating Suspension of Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). Under NRS 1.4675(7), within 60 days after a decision by the Commission to suspend a judge, the Commission shall (a) have a formal statement of charges filed against the judge; (b) rescind the suspension; or (c) enter into a deferred discipline agreement with the judge pursuant to NRS 1.468.

Since the filing of a formal statement of charges is premature given Respondent's pending sentencing date scheduled for April 14, 2025, based on the Jury Verdict against Respondent filed in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on October 3, 2024 (Case No. 2:24-cr-00155-JAD_DJA-1), and a deferred discipline agreement is not justified under NRS 1.468, the Commission must rescind the suspension of Respondent.

Pursuant to PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii), since "the circumstances justifying the Commission's previous decision to suspend the judge still exist after sixty days, the Commission may rescind and immediately reinstate the suspension but must hold a public hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) unless the judge waives the right to the hearing."

Accordingly, the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to rescind and reinstate Respondent's suspension without salary and an opportunity to respond pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii). You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on March 28, 2025, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii).

Please submit written responses to:

Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel & Executive Director
Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511
ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this Notice to Respondent's counsel via email.

DATED this 21st day of March, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: Stefanie Humphrey
STEFANIE HUMPHREY
COMMISSION CHAIR

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 21st day of March, 2025, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY** by email and U.S. mail, addressed to the following:

PAOLA M. ARMENI, ESQ.
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1700 SOUTH PAVILION CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 500
LAS VEGAS, NV 89135
parmeni@clarkhill.com
Counsel for Respondent

Valerie Carter
Valerie Carter, Commission Clerk

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Executive Grant of Clemency

Donald J. Trump

President of the United States of America

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

BE IT KNOWN, THAT THIS DAY, I, DONALD J. TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, PURSUANT TO MY POWERS UNDER ARTICLE II, SECTION 2, CLAUSE 1, OF THE CONSTITUTION, HAVE GRANTED UNTO THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW

A FULL AND UNCONDITIONAL PARDON

For those offenses against the United States individually enumerated and set before me for my consideration:

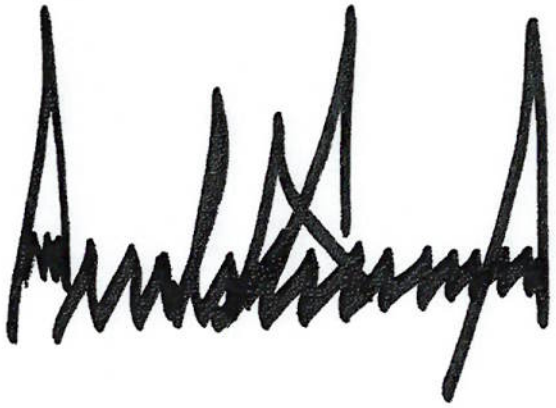
United States v. Fiore, 2:24-cr-155

MICHELE FIORE

I HEREBY DESIGNATE, direct, and empower the Attorney General, as my representative, to immediately sign the grant of clemency to the person named herein. The Attorney General shall declare that her action is the act of the President, being performed at my direction.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the seal of the Department of Justice to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington in the District of Columbia this 23rd *day of April in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-five and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundred and Forty-ninth.*



DONALD J. TRUMP
PRESIDENT

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Reyes, Clarissa

From: cmecf@nvd.uscourts.gov
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2025 12:14 PM
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District of Nevada

Notice of Electronic Filing

The following transaction was entered on 4/28/2025 at 12:14 PM PDT and filed on 4/28/2025
Case Name: USA v. Fiore
Case Number: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA
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Docket Text:
MINUTE ORDER IN CHAMBERS of the Honorable Judge Jennifer A. Dorsey, as to Michele Fiore on 4/28/2025. By Deputy Clerk: Summer Rivera.

In light of Defendant Michele Fiore's filing of an Executive Grant of Clemency with the Department of Justice seal attached, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant's motion to vacate the sentencing hearing [123] is GRANTED, and the sentencing hearing scheduled for May 14, 2025, is VACATED. Non-party Alan Riquelmy's request for remote access to the sentencing hearing [119] is consequently DENIED as moot.

(Copies have been distributed pursuant to the NEF - SLR)

2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA-1 Notice has been electronically mailed to:

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Alexander Byrne Gottfried alexander.gottfried@usdoj.gov

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Washington, DC 20005

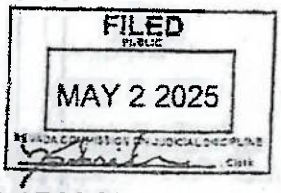
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02 CASE NO. 2025-108

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION HEARING

NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITH SALARY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE on the 9th of May, 2025, at 12:00 p.m., the Commission will hold a public hearing (1) regarding the Commission's Order entered April 14, 2025, rescinding and reinstating the suspension of Respondent from the exercise of judicial office, without salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b), and (2) to consider the possible suspension of Respondent from the exercise of judicial office, with salary, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4).

At this hearing, the Commission will determine whether its Suspension Order, entered April 14, 2025, is still warranted following the presidential pardon and, if not, to determine whether Respondent poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice, based upon *United States v. Michele Fiore* (2:24-cr-155). *See* NRS 1.4675(4).

The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission ("S.A.T.") utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission's website (https://judicial.nv.gov/) under "Public Hearing Schedules" not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5), the Commission provides seven (7) days' notice of its intent to suspend with salary and an opportunity to respond. You may respond in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., PST, on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, or by attending the hearing in person with or without counsel. You may also waive the hearing pursuant to NRS 1.4675(5).

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Please submit written responses to:

Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel & Executive Director
Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511
ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

The clerk of the Commission shall immediately serve a copy of this notice to Respondent.

DATED this 2nd day of May, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

By: _____
STEFANIE HUMPHREY
COMMISSION CHAIRWOMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and that on the 2nd day of May, 2025, I served a copy of the **NOTICE OF COMMISSION'S INTENT TO SUSPEND WITH SALARY** by personal service and email addressed to the following:

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CLARK HILL PLLC
1700 South Pavilion Center Drive, Suite 500
Las Vegas, NV 89135
parmeni@clarkhill.com
Counsel for Respondent

Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk

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From: Patricia Cobb
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Fiore Reinstatement
Date: Friday, April 25, 2025 12:32:18 PM

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Please do NOT consider reinstating Michelle Fiore to her position as Justice of the Peace. To do so would be disrespectful to all police officers and trusting individuals who make donations in good faith. Her behavior is despicable and unworthy of any position of authority. Thank you.

From:	Annmarie B
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Michele Fiore Suspension
Date:	Saturday, April 26, 2025 12:08:01 PM

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To whom it may concern,

Michele Fiore stalled the court for sentencing for 5 months without properly appealing the decision, but that doesn't mean she is not guilty. She is an embarrassment to the judiciary, is still a convicted felon and should be permanently suspended as Justice if the Peace with the Pahrump Justice Court.

Thank you for your consideration.

From: Molly
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Monday, April 28, 2025 8:46:24 AM

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Hello.

I would like to urge you to not let Michele Fiore return to the bench in Nye County.

Presidential pardon aside she is not fit to judge others. I sat through her trial and was present when the jury found her guilty. The President handed out a political favor without knowing the facts.

Please side with justice and deny her return.

Respectfully,

Molly Taylor

[redacted]

From: Nancy Cratty
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Complaint Regarding Suspension of Nye County JOP Michele Fiore
Date: Monday, April 28, 2025 10:14:59 AM

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Administrative Office of the Courts Judiciary Committee Members,

I am a fifty-five-year-old woman, and I live in Pahrump, NV. I was born in Tonopah, NV, and I have lived most of my life in Pahrump, NV, where my husband and I have raised our family. I take pride in my community, and I have worked in the Pahrump Courts for ten years. I currently work in the Nye County District Court, and I have no current affiliation in the Nye County Justice Court.

It is my request that your suspension for Nye County Justice of the Peace Michele Fiore not be rescinded although she has received a complete and unconditional pardon from President Trump. It is my understanding that a pardon for a federal crime(s) is usually given after a defendant is found guilty, sentenced, and has proven positive changes in their behavior. In the case of Michele Fiore, she was found guilty on several counts of federal crimes by a jury of her peers, and she was not sentenced nor given time to prove that her behavior would change.

Nye County is often viewed by outsiders to have 'colorful characters' and a 'wild west' attitude. My family, friends and neighbors are good people who do not want to tolerate or accept people in county leadership who do not represent high moral character. I can't reconcile that this woman would be sitting on the Justice Court bench and passing judgment on the citizens of Nye County when she herself has been found guilty of federal crimes. A pardon is not a dismissal, and therefore, her guilt can not be erased. I appreciate your consideration. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Cratty



From: S Mix
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Monday, April 28, 2025 9:59:44 PM

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Judges are supposed to embody fairness, honesty, and respect for the law. Fiore's repeated actions show the opposite: a willingness to exploit public trust for personal enrichment. Her return to the bench would damage the credibility of the Nevada court system and send a dangerous message that corruption carries no consequences.

I ask the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline and Nye County officials take immediate steps to permanently disqualify Michele Fiore from serving as a judge.

Thank you for carefully considering the importance of maintaining credibility and integrity in our courts.

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 5:24:55 AM

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Dear sir/madam:

I have lived in Nye County 31 years. Please do not allow Fiore to serve as justice of the peace.

Fiore was indicted by a grand jury, convicted by a jury. She is guilty as charged. A stroke of a pen does not change that.

Fiore has demonstrated very questionable behavior from the bench. She has zero legal education and experience.

She allows armed people into her courtroom. She stated she was armed on the bench and dared anyone to challenge her to essentially to a gunfight in court.

She is a hot head that has no business dispensing justice.

Thank you

Randy Stidham

[redacted]

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

From: April Balslew
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Please do not reinstate convicted felon Michele Ann Fiore.
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:54:02 PM

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Sent from Outlook Dear NV Commision on Judicial Discipline,
Michele Fiore was convicted and found guilty of conspiracy and wire fraud charges. She made a statement that that she believes that God ordained her pardon from President Trump. What an arrogant statement. She has no concern for the victims whom she defrauded. She may have received her Hail Mary Pardon but she only escaped punishment. WE in Pahrump do not trust her nor do we want her back on the bench! If she wanted a different outcome she should not have commited the crimes.

Thank you
April Balslew
Pahrump NV

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From:	DeeMo Mounts
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:02:56 PM

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I'm a NYE County resident that does NOT want Fiore back on the bench. Please stop her from holding ANY public office.

Dee Mounts

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:01:27 PM

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I for one don't want a Michelle Fiore, a convicted thief, as a Justice of the Peace our town.

Cheryl Johnson

[redacted]

From: Michael Fender
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:53:59 PM

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My opinion of Ms Fiore is pretty gray. After reading on her policy history once arriving to Nevada looks impressive, but I believe she walks a very thin line in honest responsible personal values. Please DO NOT allow her to assume the position of Justice of the Peace for Nye County. Regards Michael Fender Resident of Pahrump

From: Kevin Mounts
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:07:28 PM

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As a Nye County resident, I do not want someone like Michelle Fiore as a justice of the peace. To me she is a Carpet Bagger who is clearly not the type of person who had sound judgement or even respects the laws of the land.

Regards,
Kevin L. Mounts

From:	Diana Waters
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Michele Fiore hearing
Date:	Friday, May 9, 2025 2:12:33 PM

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This hearing was totally disgusting.

I don't care if Trump pardoned her. Ms. Fiore should never be allowed to.hold a public position where WE THE TAXPAYER'S pay her salary. Additionally, has she returned the STOLEN money?

Time for people to take responsibility for their actions.

Sincerely,
Diana Waters
NV TAXPAYER

From: Brenda Martinez
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 12:43:53 PM

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According to the website describing a presidential pardon, it states that the pardon doesn't eliminate the conviction, and must still be reported, however it will say that the person was granted a pardon. An expungement must be requested to seal the record and conviction from coming up when a check is done. Please dont force the residents of pahrump to continue paying this person for a job she can not perform with honor and integrity

B. L. Martinez
Pahrump nevada
[redacted]

From:	Robert Fuller
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Judge Fiore
Date:	Tuesday, May 20, 2025 7:53:00 AM

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I'm not sure if this is the right forum to send my complaint, but I'm writing to inform you of my concern about Judge Fiore being placed on administrative leave with pay. As a citizen of NYE County I feel it would be a travesty to allow her to return to the bench. I can not see how anyone that would appear before her now would feel they were getting justice from a person who probably has committed a crime worse than theirs. The Presidential Pardon doesn't absolve her of the dastardly crime she was convicted of, just the penalty. If we have to keep paying her please don't drag it out
Remove her from the bench. Thank you for listening.

Robert Fuller
[redacted]

From:	[redacted]
To:	Judicial Information
Cc:	James Oaks
Subject:	Michele Fiore Judicial Suitability Investigation
Date:	Tuesday, May 20, 2025 11:38:53 AM

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To whom it may concern,

You don't know me and we haven't corresponded before. My name is James Oaks and I'm a retired Police Sergeant with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

I'm aware that your office is currently conducting an investigation info Michele Fiore's suitability to continue as a Justice of the Peace in Nye county and as of yesterday changed her to suspension with pay status.

First and foremost what Fiore was accused and found GUILTY of by a Federal Jury was misusing funds that were meant for memorials for two fallen LVMPD Officers. If this wasn't bad enough and an affront to every person wearing a badge that she claimed to support, these two officers that were killed were MY officers. I was their Sergeant and there to deal with the aftermath of their deaths at the scene when they paid the ultimate sacrifice. Not only was Alyn Beck my officer but he was also a friemd, that I've known his entire career.

I was thankful when Fiore was found guilty and due to be sentenced. not only because of what she did, but that she also cozied up to then Sheriff Joe Lombardo who was also a victim ,but even worse to one of the widows, Nicole Beck, smiling to her face while all the while stealing behind her back and acting like she was not only an ally but a friend.

While I don't know the facts of the latest complaints against her, I do know that Fiore feels that she is above the law! Just look at her history, including what she did during the standoff with Bundy out in Bunkerville. My squad and I were out there during that mess, including Alyn Beck who would later die in the line of duty a few months later for over 40 plus hours.

To say I was disheartened when I heard that President Trump had pardoned her for what she did., How can you do that which is a slap to the face of every officer. To make matters worse she celebrated it!

I'm not alone, when I say that Fiore is not suitable to be sitting on the bench and in judgement over anyone with the deeds and character she so proudly touts as if she's the victim. To this day she has denied any wrongdoing or shown any remorse!

I ask on behalf of every law enforcement officer, myself, and the widows of the two

fallen officers to DENY her immediately to retain her position as judge and make sure she never gets a position or anything remotely similar again!
Thank you for your time. If you have any questions or would like to speak to me further you can reach me here or on my cell phone [redacted]

Respectfully Submitted,
Sgt. James Oaks [redacted]
LVMPD(Ret.)
"Sometimes the best treatment includes 4 paws by your side!"
[redacted]

From: Jerry Clark
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Get rid of Flore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 11:23:41 AM

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We don't want her she is a crook and was guilty of her charges
She has embarrassed Nye Co and all of LV legal system
Should not be in court or political office anywhere
Please don't let her get away with these crimes
Thx
Linda
Sent from my iPhone

From: Jerry Clark
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Flore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 7:43:46 PM

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Please honor fallen officer
Dump this non honorable JP
She is a disgrace to Nevada
We don't want her in the bench or government
Thx
Sent from my iPhone

Linda

From:	Jerry Clark
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Fiore
Date:	Saturday, May 24, 2025 11:56:56 AM

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Want to express no concerns of allowing Michelle Fiore to continue on the Bench
With her wild behavior, poor judgment, along with theft, lies and exhibits the lack of common sense , she presents herself as untouchable because of who she knows.
She should of been fully held responsible for her guilt when in LasVegas she comes to Nye
Begging for job because she needs bringing all of her criminal baggage with her. Now we are stuck with her while she laugh at this legal
System that allows her to get away with her crimes and paid at the same time . How can this be right
Nye county should have not of hired her with all this guilt . What a poor example to you young people and others that break laws , Fiore had no consequences for her crimes
We don't want her or need her in this community . She is a bad influence.
Please suspend her with out pay immediately if you want her for your court system in Reno, please keep her
Our President made a terrible judgement in giving her a Pardon, please don't make another one
Suspend her now. Thank you
Linda Clark

[redacted]

Sent from my iPhone

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Savanah Willis
[redacted]

February 25th, 2025

Honorable Judge Jennifer Dorsey Lloyd D. George U.S. Courthouse 333 Las Vegas Blvd S, Las Vegas, NV 89101

Re: Sentencing Consideration for Michele Fiore

Dear Judge Dorsey,

I am writing to you as a daughter, a mother of five, and a woman who relies on the unwavering support of my own mother, Michele Fiore. I am divorced and work full-time to provide for my children. My ex-husband has custody only on weekends, which means that during the week, the full weight of raising my children falls on me. I work long hours, often not returning home until after six in the evening. Without my mother's daily help, I simply do not know how I could manage.

My mom is more than a grandmother to my children—**she is my co-parent.** She picks up my five kids from school 2-3 days a week, takes them to dance, wrestling and gymnastics, ensures their homework is completed, washes their school clothes, makes them dinner, and even prepares their lunches for the next day. By the time I get home, she has done what I could never do alone: she has given them stability, structure, and love while I work to keep a roof over their heads. She does this selflessly, without hesitation, because that is the kind of person she is—**a woman who steps in to help not just her family, but anyone in need.**

I am not in a financial position to hire a babysitter or a live-in nanny. My mother is **my only support system.** If she were taken away from me and my children, it would put me in an impossible situation. The reality is that without her, I would struggle to balance my life. My children would suffer the most, losing not just their grandmother, but the daily stability and care she provides.

As you consider my mother's sentencing, I ask you to look at the whole picture. She is not just my mother—**she is the foundation of my family.** She is kind, generous, and a pillar of strength for so many people. Removing her from our lives would be devastating. I respectfully urge you to take into account the immense role she plays in my children's lives and in mine.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

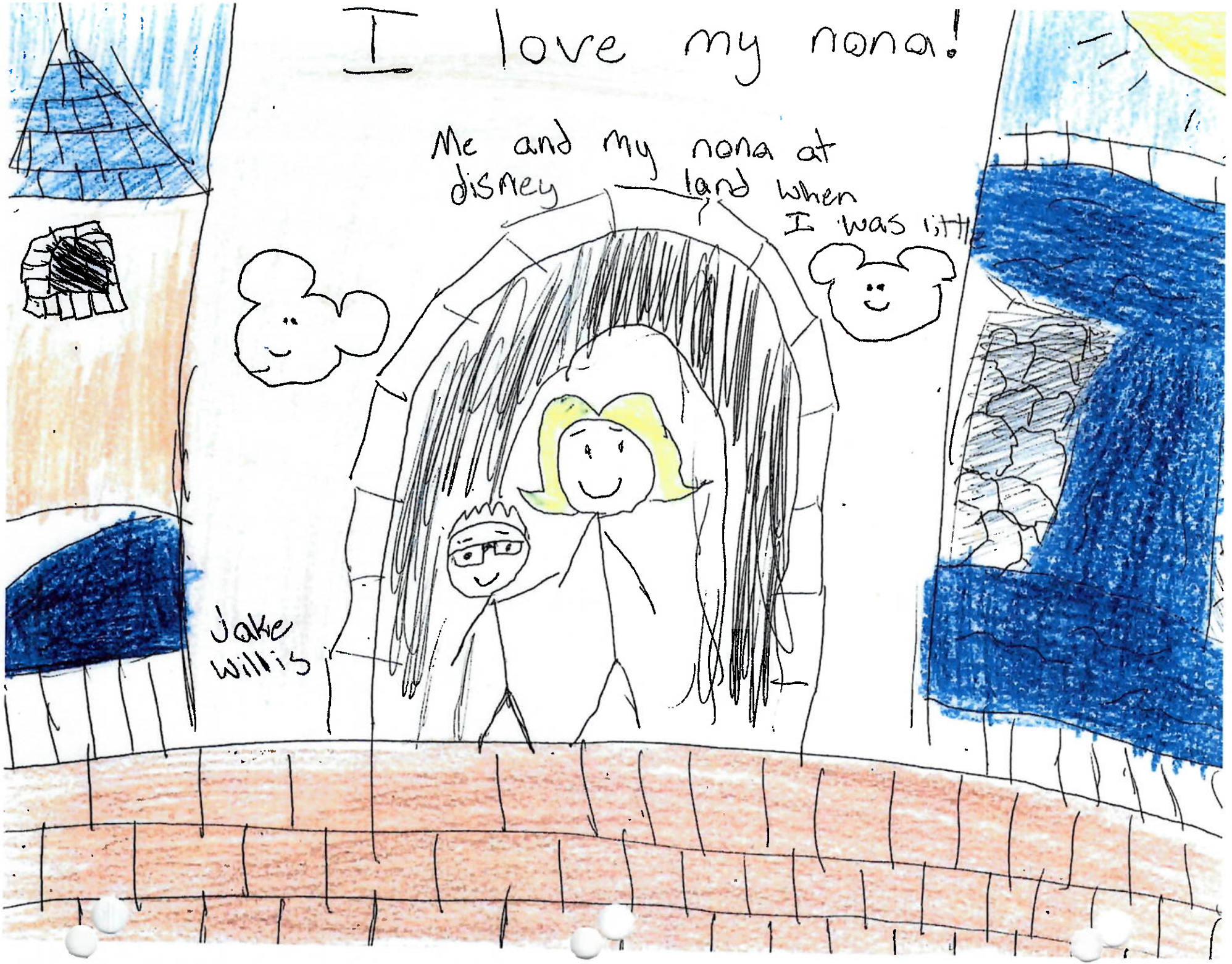
Savanah Willis





I love my nana very much, I think that she is very kind, sweet, and helpful. She is extremely intelligent and I will always think of her as one of the most important person in my life


I love you mom
me
mom


I love my nona!
Me and my nona at disney land when I was little
Jake Willis


I LOVYOU WITH RUM JACKSON I LUVYOU WITH NONU
Jackson
Nonu

From: Dave Fedel
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:43:14 PM

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We support putting judge Fiore back on the bench
Dave Fedel
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From: Sophia Song
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:43:54 PM

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We support Michele Fiore. She has always been so kind to us and always try to help us when we needed it.
Happily sent from Sophia's IPhone

From: Paula Melideo
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:44:21 PM

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Judge Michele Fiore needs to be back on the bench now! Stop the negativity towards her and return her to the bench. She helped many people.

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Richard G Rock
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Please return Judge Fiore to the Bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:48:09 PM

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I have had to opportunity to sit in and observe Michele FIORE as a sitting Judge.
It was a pleasant experience for me to observe an extremely well prepared, compassionate and fair judicial practitioner work hard at offering defendants the opportunity of a second chance. She belongs back on the bench. PLEASE.
Respectfully,
R. G. ROCK

iPhone Message from RGR

From: John Ridgeway
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:51:53 PM

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To all,
Judge Fiore should be fully reinstated and made whole. She faced the court and was pardoned by the President. There is no reason not to. Her political opposition was duly out voted. Judge Fiore will perform as required. The Judge is that kind of person.

Sent from my iPad

From: Nora Gruber
To: Judicial Information
Subject: I support Michele Fiore back on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:56:26 PM

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I have been working in Nevada in public defense since 2012 and I assisted Miss Fiore's defense counsel in her most recent case. Miss Fiore's defense never got a fair chance to make their case in her trial and she was denied a second trial by the judge. I believe Miss Fiore's experience as a defendant will make her an exceptionally compassionate and empathetic judge for the residents of Nye County as she will safeguard due process for every person that comes before her with every fiber of her being. Please allow Miss Fiore back on the bench.

Sincerely, Nora Gruber

Sent from my iPhone

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 1:58:15 PM

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Dear sirs,
I want to see Judge Fiore put back on the bench. We need honest, forthright judges that uphold rights of good citizens. A judge that will not stand for criminality and who believes in and upholds the Constitution. Judge Fiore is that kind of Judge.
Thank you, Lu Epstein
Resident of
Las Vegas, NV

From: Francoise Myers
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We support Judge Michele Fiori
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:01:49 PM

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Put Michele Fiori back on the bench!

From: Assemblyman John Moore
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:03:02 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I have known Judge Michele Fiore for many years. She is a person of integrity and dedication to her work. Michele Fiore is an asset to the court system and should be reinstated to her position as Justice of the peace.

Respectfully,
John Moore
Former Nevada Assemblyman

The Honorable Jennifer Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas Nevada 89101

Your Honor,

My name is John Moore, I am an ordained minister and former Nevada Assemblyman. I have known Michele Fiore for over a decade, we first met when I was running for office. I have known Michele to be honest and extremely kind towards others and one of the most gentle hearted people I have ever known. Michele has always helped others in times of need, I am one of those folks. When my spouse had a brain aneurysm rupture Michele dropped everything she was doing at the time to help me cope with the fact that I was in danger of losing the one person that meant everything to me. I needed to get my wife to a hospital in Arizona for brain surgery to save her life, I was completely lost and beside myself during that moment in time. Michele stepped up and helped me arrange on my own to get an air ambulance and the proper medical crew to fly my wife to Phoenix Arizona for brain surgery. My wife is alive today because of the kind actions and guidance of Michele. This is just one of the many examples of pure kindness Michele has shown to others without ever once asking for anything in return.

This legal issue that Michele is standing in front of the court for is way out-of-character for her with everything I have known Michele to do in life. I truly believe that Michele has learned a deep life lesson from this and I also believe that imprisonment would be a tragic loss to her family and to the Las Vegas community. Michele has grandchildren that would be devastated and lost forever without their grandmother by their side. Your Honor, I am pleading with you for mercy and compassion to be shown to Michele for her untold number of kind acts and the compassion that she has shown for others throughout her life. I am extremely confident that Michele will never again find herself in front of any court for anything ever again.

Sincerely,

John Moore

John Moore, former Nevada Assemblyman

From: Kathy
To: Judicial Information
Subject: RETURN JUDGE FIORE TO HER BENCH
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:03:54 PM

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Nye County needs Judge Fiore back on the bench that she was overwhelmingly elected to, this is demanded by this constituency.
Do the right thing and return her to the bench and restore that court room to justice for all.

Kathy Trout
Nye County Residents Association

From: Brett Beanan
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:04:48 PM

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Dear Members of the Judicial Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for Judge Michele Fiore's reinstatement to the bench. Judge Fiore has consistently demonstrated integrity, fairness, and dedication to her community, and I believe she is an asset to our judicial system.

I respectfully urge you to consider her reinstatement.

Sincerely,

Brett Beanan
Production Designer / Technical Director

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Sent from my iPhone so there may be autocorrect fun stuff!

From: Priscilla Campbell
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:05:28 PM

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Please do not deny Michele from continuing her Judgeship.
Priscilla and Jeff Campbell

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From: Lisa Bond
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Re-instate Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:06:57 PM

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I support Judge Micjele Fiore and I voted for her. Please Re-instate Judge Michele Fiore to the bench and allow her to finish her term. She stands for justice. Let the public vote her out and don't be swayed by few people who do not support the wishes of the public that voted her in.

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From: Carol Maldonado
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Judge Fiore back on the Bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:08:44 PM

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It's time, she belongs back on the bench!

From:	betty jean LaPena
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Michele Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:09:21 PM

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Sent from my iPhone Michele is a great judge. She belongs back in the court room. We've been friends for many many years. She's a very honest trustworthy judge we recommend she be back in the
Court room thank u

From: Steve Sanson
To: Judicial Information
Cc: Michele Fiore; [redacted] Stephanie Phillips; Robert Medoff
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore's Reinstatement to Nye County Justice of the Peace
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:12:16 PM

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Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 48
Carson City, NV 89702

Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore's Reinstatement to Nye County Justice of the Peace

Dear Members of the Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for Judge Michele Fiore's return to her position as Justice of the Peace in Nye County. I believe her removal is not only unjustified but stands in stark contrast to the commission's handling of other serious judicial failings in the state.

Judge Fiore has demonstrated a firm commitment to public service and has been a strong advocate for justice and fairness in Nye County. Notably, she received a presidential pardon, an extraordinary measure that speaks to a recognized effort at redemption and public confidence. Her pardon should weigh heavily in any decision regarding her current fitness to serve in her elected capacity.

It is troubling that while Judge Fiore faces harsh scrutiny, the commission has shown no accountability in the case of Justice Herndon, who was involved in a matter that resulted in a man losing 21 years of his life in prison due to wrongful conviction or miscarriage of justice. The lack of disciplinary action in that case sends a concerning message about selective enforcement and raises questions about fairness in the commission's decisions.

Justice must be impartial and consistent. If the commission is to maintain the trust of the public, it must demonstrate that it holds all judicial officers to the same standard, regardless of politics or public profile. Judge Fiore deserves the opportunity to serve the community that elected her, especially in light of her presidential pardon and her proven commitment to public service.

I urge the commission to reconsider its position and allow Judge Michele Fiore to resume her duties as Justice of the Peace. Justice and fairness demand no less.

Sincerely,

Steve Sanson
President of Veterans In Politics International, Inc.
[redacted]

From: Tracy Calderon
To: Judicial Information; [redacted]
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:12:35 PM

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To whom it concerns:

I am writing to express my firm support for Judge Michele Fiore, who was overwhelming elected by Nye County and who has served our community with integrity, professionalism, and an unwavering commitment to justice. Throughout her tenure, Judge Fiore has demonstrated fairness on the bench, respect for the rule of law, and a deep understanding of the responsibilities entrusted to the judiciary.

In times of scrutiny, it is important to assess not only the issue at hand but also the broader context of an individual's record, character, and consistent dedication to public service. Judge Fiore has earned the respect of peers, attorneys, and community members alike for her impartiality and ethical conduct.

While no public servant is above accountability, I believe Judge Fiore deserves a fair and measured evaluation, free from political pressure and misrepresentation. It is my hope that due process will be observed, and that the community will continue to support those who uphold the principles of justice with honor and distinction.

Sincerely,
Tracy M. Calderon
Nye County Citizen, voter, and friend of Judge Fiore
[redacted]

From: Ammie Nelson
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:16:34 PM

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To Whom it May Concern;
Michelle Fiore was reviewed by locals in Pahrump and tge majority believe she was a very fair and Constitutional judge. Only a handful speak against her and it can only be out of news media reports against her.
Please put her back on the bench. We need good judges! As a court observer, I support Judge Fiore.
Sincerely
Ammie Nelson
Nye county and Pahrump resident.

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From: Randolph Goldberg
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:16:28 PM

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Dear Judicial Commission,
Michele Fiore has been an amazing attorney and Judge for many years and I hold no other legal practitioner or Judge in higher regard as she fights for the wronged and rules on the merits of the case Before her. It would be a travesty not to allow her to do what she was placed on this earth to do.

With highest respect and regards,
Randolph Goldberg,Esq.
Sent from my iPhone

From: Annette Fuentes
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:17:08 PM

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To whom it may concern, I am sending you this email to respectfully request you put Michele Fiore back on the bench!!! She was unconditionally pardon by President Trump and she should be put back on the bench. She has done a very fair and good job as Nye County Justice Of The Peace.

Sincerely
Annette Fuentes

From: Patrick Kerby

Regarding Michele Fiore

My name is Patrick Kerby. I am a filmmaker and cameraman who has owned a business and worked in the Las Vegas area since 1984.

I met Michele Fiore in 2005 when I had the pleasure of being director and editor on a film that she co-wrote, produced and starred in called Siren.

When you work on a low budget movie you really get to know the heart of a person. It is challenging in multiple ways, physically, emotionally, and financially. I often describe it as sharing a foxhole in a battle. Michele's work ethic, integrity, vision, and collaborative spirit helped make a really challenging job one of the most rewarding experiences of my life and established us as lifelong friends. Her daughters were involved, and you could easily see how dedicated she is to her family. Unfortunately, there were no financial rewards from this film for Michele, but she had the integrity to make sure I got paid my agreed upon salary despite some financial hardships.

Since the completion of that film, I was also involved in politics and ran into Michelle again from time to time. She has always been dedicated to the ideology of individual liberty and limited government that founded this great nation, and we shared this passion to try to put our country back on track.

I am not intimately familiar with the charges brought against her, but in my experience, anything dishonest or harmful is completely out of character for her, and the idea of her serving prison time and taking her away from her family and grandchildren who are heavily reliant on her seems like a miscarriage of justice. The community would be far better served to have her out working and leave the prison time to real criminals who are a danger to society. I'm sure if there were mistakes made that she has learned her lesson, and the consequences of this trial on her reputation and finances are more than punishment enough. Thank you for this opportunity to support her.

2/5/2025

Patrick Kerby

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February 25, 2025

Dear Judge Dorsey:

I am writing this letter in support of my friend and colleague Michele Fiore. I have worked with Michele both personally and professionally on a number of different community initiatives including during her tenure at City Hall and as Board Members on the LVCVA. During all of that time I have admired her strength, wisdom and tenacity towards doing the right thing for her constituents and her community. She is extremely thoughtful in her approach to both listening and working together to craft a mutually beneficial result which considers all parties equally.

Although it is apparent that some accounting discrepancies occurred, I do not believe Michele ever would have let that happen with mal intent. I see no justice being served by sentencing her to more than probation or community service. Michele is a woman of honor who has served her constituents well. I hope you will take into consideration all that she has done for good when rendering your decision.

Appreciate your willingness to serve.

With appreciation,

Jan Jones Blackhurst

Jan Jones Blackhurst

LAW OFFICE OF ERVEN T. NELSON

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Erven T. Nelson – [redacted]

March 7, 2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court, District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Re: ***Michele Fiore adv. United States of America***
Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA

Dear Judge Dorsey:

This letter is written as my view of the character of Defendant Michele Fiore. The primary basis of my experience with Ms. Fiore is our shared experience as members of the Assembly of the Nevada Legislature in 2014-2016 and a few dealings after that.

When I arrived as a freshman in the Assembly, I was assigned to various committees and as the Vice-Chair of the Judiciary Committee, probably because I was a lawyer. Ms. Fiore sat next to me on the dais of the committee five days per week for approximately four months in 2015. I got to know her quite well. Michele was very kind to me and acted as a mentor and friend even though we did not agree on everything politically. She explained the inner workings of the Legislature including how to prepare for hearings and votes, how to deal with legislators who did not agree with my positions, utilizing the knowledge of lobbyists while remaining open minded but thoughtful and cautious, how to arrange for witnesses to support the bills I was sponsoring, where to eat and everything else that went along with becoming as successful and comfortable as possible as a rookie.

Michele has a lot of energy and a strong personality, and was well known among the legislators and lobbyists. She passionately and articulately argued and persuaded for the things she believed in, especially the importance of honoring and following the Constitutions of the United States and Nevada. Michele was a strong advocate but, as far as I know, never was dishonest with or misled anyone at the Legislature. She was always forthright and candid in every situation and setting I observed.

Michele and I went separate ways after our time in the Legislature together, but I occasionally saw her at political and social functions and she was always very kind and friendly to me. I am not aware of her ever misleading or taking unfair advantage of any person. If Michele did anything she was she was accused of in this case, it was out of character for her.

I recall that at one point I needed some background understanding on a Constitutional issue we would be considering in the 2015 Legislature. After the 2014 election, Michele was

kind enough to invite me and other legislators to her house in Las Vegas so we could discuss the issue at leisure and I learned a lot from her even though I was the lawyer in the room. Michele was always very gracious and generous with her knowledge and experience. Michele has served Las Vegas on the City Council and Nye County as a Justice of the Peace. Community service is very important to her and her imprisonment would deny Southern Nevadans of one of their most effective and wise public servants. I ask you to consider Michele's unselfish service to our community and less fortunate persons when passing judgment on her.

I do not know a lot about Michele's personal life or history, but I know that she had some challenges growing up in New York before coming to Nevada and has worked hard to run her home healthcare business successfully. She is a resilient trailblazer and an excellent example of grit and grace to all people in general, and to aspiring women in particular. I never saw her treat any person other than as an equal. Given the opportunity and means to attend law school, Michele could have become a wonderful and successful advocate for her clients and her deeply held principles.

I trust that Michele has learned a lot from this case and will change her conduct to the extent expedient and necessary. It is highly unlikely that she will find herself in this kind of trouble in the future, and I urge you to sentence her to probation or, in the alternative, a short sentence if you feel that incarceration is appropriate.

Very truly yours,

Erven T. Nelson

Erven T. Nelson

ETN: ms

WARREN R. MARKOWITZ, ESQ

February 17, 2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court, District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Blvd South
Las Vegas NV 89101

RE: Character Letter, Michele Fiore
CASE # 2:24-CR-00155-JAD-DJA

Your Honor:

I am an attorney in private practice who's background and professional experience include AML (Anti-Money Laundering), Wall Street, and small company/Start Ups. I have practiced in front of numerous State, Federal, administrative bodies, and Appellate courts throughout my career.

In April 2005 I relocated my family from Long Island, New York to Las Vegas, NV so that my wife and I could have more influence on the education and social environment that our young children grew up in, and we choose the Centennial Las Vegas Area for our new home.

It was about 2008 when I choose to investigate the political environment of my new home, looking at the players in the arena, the parties, groups, and standouts, and where I thought I would fit in. It was about then I met Michele. I was introduced to her by various people that knew of her political leanings, goals, and desires to participate in state wide government as her professional career improved, and they spoke about her as someone that could be trusted, relied upon, and dealt with fairly.

Over the years we became friends. Many times when we met we would discuss families, our kids, and in her case her grand kids. I have learned that it was her family that was a core issue in her world, and that it remains today.

When we would meet, whether at her home in Centennial, or at her various offices over the years, we were not alone, someone was generally there. That person would be a family member

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or a staffer. It was there that I learned what was of value to Michele, it was her reputation. It was this that she built her base of supporters on.

I point this out because the damage to her reputation is truly the punishment that will be with her forever.

While it is the courts right, to sentence Michele to a period of incarceration the punishment that it would inflict by removing her from society has effectively been accomplished by her own actions.

Michele will likely never get back into politics, she will forever have the issue hanging over her head, and the conviction itself is the Scarlet Letter that will forever mark her.

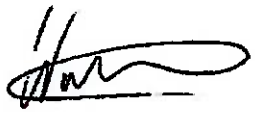
Michele through her own actions punished herself by removing herself from the very groups in society that she wished to continue to help and provide for.

The destruction of her reputation was done in a blink. It took her years to create and build her reputation and yet in a flash it is gone. That destruction will likely not be corrected, no matter how long she serves in Prison or Not. This is why I believe that Michele will never conduct herself in the ways that created the circumstances that destroyed her reputation and removed herself from the political world.

I ask that she be allowed to work towards correcting the harm caused by her actions, through alternative means outside of incarceration, as incarceration will not accomplish anything to the benefit of society, to her rehabilitation, or to the benefits that she would bring to family and friends.

She has learned her lesson, and will forever have to reflect on it. Of this I am certain.

Respectfully,



Warren Markowitz, Esq.
Attorney and Counselor at Law

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey

United States District Court District of Nevada

333 Las Vegas Boulevard South

Las Vegas, NV 89101

Your Honor,

I write today to talk about my friendship with Michele Fiore and I appreciate your consideration in taking the time to read this.

My name is James Smack, and I presently serve as Chief Deputy Controller for the State of Nevada. I have previously been the Vice Chair of the Nevada Republican Party and the Republican National Committeeman for Nevada.

I met Michele in 2010 through my involvement with the Nevada Republican Party, at the time I was the Chair of a rural county Republican Central Committee, and she was starting her political career. While many of my early interactions with her were strictly around party business, we took the time to get to know each other personally. What I found was someone who shared many of the same passions as I did: a passion for service, the passion for our beliefs, and a passion for family and friendship. We were both growing our political presence at the same time: myself, winning state party Vice Chair and subsequently National Committeeman, Michele was running for and winning a seat on the state assembly.

What started out as professional became more friendship the more we interacted. When Michele was serving in the state assembly and I was working for the state, we would meet often just to chat all about the Legislature, and this grew into more personal conversations. Sure, we would talk about bills and the legislative process; however, we would talk about her family, especially her mother and her daughters, and we would talk about mine. She looks you in the eye when she talks to you. I have a hard time imagining what her family must be going through during this time, especially her daughters whom I know are very close, and it is heartbreaking to think of them being apart from each other.

When Michele served in the state assembly, she was always very in tune with her constituents, spending time in her district and engaging in her community. She embodied service above self from every interaction I saw with both professional colleagues and constituents. Michele both held and attended events in her district to get to know her constituents and would spend the time talking to everyone who attended. She was like a whirlwind and never wanted anyone feeling left out.

When Michele decided to run for Republican National Committeewoman, I was one of the first people she reached out to for an endorsement. I provided it without hesitation, if nothing else because I knew Michele could bring the passion for her positions to the Republican National

Committee and communicate those beliefs as effectively as I did when I served as National Committeeman. The Republican National Committee is a very hard place for an outsider, yet I knew Michele would take that as a challenge to be overcome much the same way I did when I served. It is refreshing in a political world to have someone say what they mean and then do it, not just talk about it. The spirit and energy that I knew Michele would bring to this organization in this capacity is just what the RNC needed, the perspective of the people not just the hard line of the party establishment.

While I do not stay in touch with Michele as I once did, I've watched as she served as a Las Vegas city council member, her statewide run for Treasurer, and her election to Justice of the Peace in Nye County. Throughout, Michele has maintained an attitude of service over self, continuing to find ways to serve the citizens of our state.

She always finds time to remember her friends. Never does my birthday, or Christmas, or any other special event in my life go by without hearing from Michele. Very few people in political circles I would call much more than an acquaintance. Michele is one of only a handful of individuals from my political experiences that I would count as a friend, someone who genuinely cares, someone who has always treated me like one of the most important people in her life.

In summary, Michele and I have an honest and frank friendship. She is one of the few people who will use the truth like a blunt instrument, even if what she has to say may be hurtful, because she calls them as she sees them. She has always been very honest and forthcoming with me, and when she tells me something, I trust the source. Michele has never been anything but honest with me, another difficult thing to find in the world of politics.

Thank you, your honor, for your consideration of my letter of support for my friend Michele Fiore. My hope is there is a way for Michele to continue to serve others, her family, and her community going forward. Michele still has much to give to her community and it would be a benefit for her family, her friends, and our community to allow her to still be able to give back.

Respectfully Submitted,



James Smack

February 9, 2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Dear Judge Dorsey,

I have known Michele Fiore since 2013, when I witnessed her dedication to public service firsthand during my family's foster-to-adopt licensing process. We encountered outdated regulations, and of all the state representatives we contacted, Michele was the only one who took the time to truly listen and understand our concerns, even going so far as to invite us to the next legislative session in Carson City to work alongside her on a legislative solution.

Our friendship, which began during that legislative process, has only deepened over the years, giving me a unique perspective on her character and values. Michele's love for others is second only to her love of family. I struggle to recall a time visiting Michele's home when at least one (if not several) of her grandchildren weren't there.

One thing I've learned about Michele through all of this time is that my experience with her is not unique. Whether you need an advocate, a champion, a sympathetic ear, or just a shoulder to lean on, Michele is there, no matter who you are, or what your background.

While I am aware of Michele's conviction and understand the seriousness of these offenses, these recent events do not overshadow the core qualities that have defined her character. I have personally witnessed the positive impact she has had on countless individuals. From helping families like mine navigate complex bureaucratic processes, to pursuing legislation to allow the terminally ill the right to try new treatments, her dedication to helping others has created a ripple effect of positive change in our community. Michele possesses a rare combination of empathy and determination. Her absence would be felt deeply by so many lives she has touched.

I respectfully request that the court consider the full picture of Michele's character - including her deep empathy for others, her unwavering determination, her longstanding commitment to public service, and the positive impact she has had on countless individuals - when determining the appropriate sentence.

Respectfully,

Brian M Wilson

February 6th, 2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, NV 89101

RE: Case of Michele Fiore

Dear Judge Dorsey,
My name is Valerie Wilson, and I am a resident of Las Vegas. I am writing this letter in support of my friend, Michele Fiore, whom I have known for over a decade.

Our friendship began when my husband and I were navigating the process of fostering and adopting a child. We encountered several regulations we felt were detrimental to the system and sought legislative change. Of all the local and state representatives we contacted, Michele was the *only* one who enthusiastically agreed to meet with us and hear our concerns. She didn't just listen; she invited us to work alongside her during that legislative session. During this time, I witnessed firsthand Michele's honesty, selflessness, compassion, thoughtfulness, and determination. She is a truly remarkable individual.

While our initial connection was through this shared advocacy, our relationship blossomed into a cherished friendship. Michele is the kind of person I can call at any hour of the day or night in an emergency, and she would not hesitate to be there for me. Even if we haven't spoken in a while, we can reconnect instantly, as if no time has passed. Such genuine connections are rare and invaluable.

I have also witnessed Michele's deep love and devotion to her family. She cared for her mother, Lil, in her home. Her children and grandchildren are her world. Her home is always open to them, providing a safe and loving space whenever they need it, regardless of the inconvenience it might cause her. She always puts their needs first, often completing her own work late at night after they are asleep.

Michele's commitment to personal growth is also evident. She has returned to school to further her education, and with her newly earned degrees, she intends to help people in profound ways.

These are just a few examples of why I believe Michele deserves your compassion during sentencing. Her family is her life, and I implore you not to take her away from them.
She needs support and belief in her, now more than ever.
Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Valerie Wilson

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas. Nevada 89101

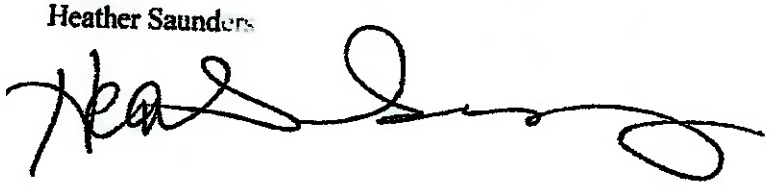
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Dear Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey,

I am a sales representative at PDQ Printing. I have worked with Michele Fiore for many many years! We worked together on her projects when I was at Gill's Printing, then at A&B Printing, and then when I finally moved to PDQ Printing. She has always been great to work with! More than just a client but we became great friends. She always has a smile and happy to see you!

She worked with me personally to make sure her items were completed correctly and efficiently instead of having an assistant do it. Always so nice! I loved that touch! We worked together on her campaigns throughout the years. Always helping the community and working so hard! She also has an amazing family that she makes sure she spends time with and takes care of. Imprisonment would be so tragic for this family! She has daughters and grandkids! This would kill them! I just do not see Michele ever being unhonest about anything! She tells it like it is and is always looking out for everyone. She has been run through the mud for years, maybe because she has always been honest and says things like it is but that is so sad! Michele is an amazing, hard-working, kind, and loving woman.

Sincerely,
Heather Saunders



The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

RE: Michelle Fiore

Dear Judge Dorsey,

I had the privilege of working with Michelle during her time as a Las Vegas City Council member for Ward 6. As a host and producer at KCLV, Channel 2—the city's television station—I worked closely with Michelle to produce content highlighting the community. She was always courteous, professional, and deeply engaged in ensuring her ward was well represented.

Beyond our professional interactions, Michelle demonstrated genuine care for those around her. She regularly extended kindness to our team, sending messages and small gestures of appreciation on our birthdays. She treated everyone with the utmost respect, fostering an environment of warmth and collaboration.

On a personal level, Michelle played a crucial role in helping my family through a distressing situation. My high school-aged son was seriously injured during an altercation involving uninvited guests at a gathering at my home. Fearing for his safety, I reached out to Michelle's office the next morning. Without hesitation, Michelle took immediate action, connecting me with Metro Police detectives who swiftly handled the matter. Her empathy and responsiveness in that moment meant everything to my family, and I will always be grateful for her support.

In all my experiences with Michelle, I have known her to be a person of compassion and dedication. I understand the seriousness of the allegations against her, but I also know her as someone who has contributed greatly to the community by dedicated years to public service, standing up for her community and helping those in need.

Michelle's dedication to her community and her unwavering support for others speak to the true nature of her character. I hope these qualities are considered as part of the broader picture of who she is and all that she has contributed.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sue Leavitt

Sue Leavitt

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court, District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

February 11, 2025

Judge Dorsey,

I am currently retired, but I have known Michelle for over 15 years and worked directly for her in City Hall for 2 years. During that time Michelle had a strong love for the employees of the City of Las Vegas. I was asked, a few times a year, to buy Pink Box doughnuts for the entire staff at the City of Las Vegas for occasions like Employee Appreciation Day or other celebrations. We would deliver 2-3 boxes to each department at city hall and major off-site buildings. Another directive was to send flowers or doughnuts to the 7th floor staff on their birthdays.

Michelle has a big heart, and I was truly shocked when I first heard of these charges. While I worked in City Hall Michelle spearheaded several statues or memorial drives, I remember specifically one for former Mayor Oscar Goodman. Not once did I hear or get a sense that anything she did was for personal gain other than goodwill. Michele also initiated two recognition plaques for two City employees (Zach Bucher and Chance Bonaventura) who researched and recovered a lost Purple Heart for WWII hero Onifrio "No-No" Zicari.

Michele is the matriarch of her family. She personally cared for mother in her home until her passing and has dedicated her life to her daughters and grandchildren. I am deeply concerned about their welfare if Michele is removed from their lives for even a week. I personally saw comments on the NextDoor social media app praising her compassion and fairness as Justice of the Peace in Pahrump. This came from someone in a private group that opposed her politically. Social media can be harshly cruel, and I was utterly amazed that this was posted in a group adamantly opposed to her.

In my occasional conversations with Michelle over the last few years, I have heard the remorse and sorrow in her voice for committing these acts. Her move to Pahrump was an effort to escape from the political arena but still serve the public in a fair and judicious manner. During this time, she has finished her college education and is still working to improve every day.

Even though I have witnessed several acts of virtuous intent from Michele, this has been a sobering, hard lesson for her. In private conversations I have seen a change in her attitude and acceptance of this error. I believe she has accepted the facts and this lapse in judgement will not be repeated.

I appreciate the opportunity to share my experiences and await your informed judgement.

Thank you,

Jeff Waufle

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The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

I am writing this letter in support of a special family friend named, Michele Fiori. My wife, Betty LaPena and I, have known Michele for about 17 or 18 years. We met Michele and her husband,Nat Kaine when they owned a Ranch Styled Home in N.W. Las Vegas, Nevada.

That Ranch Style Home was truly beautiful and was a joy to see several of their friendly dogs running, playing and having a good time. She later told me they were all rescues. I told Michele all of are animals were rescues also. Like myself, Michele is a very big charitable animal donotors to such shelters as the Animal Foundation, and Pahrump shelters. And, I have never known Michele not to be without to be with rescue animals.

However, their is another thing I would like to point out, about, Michele. Sad to say, but true, many children who later grow to adulthood, do not undertake to help their parents as they grow older. Not, Michele. I have personal knowledge of Michele to be affectionate, kind, loving and supportive of taking care of her mother, Lillian Fiore, whom I had known for many years. Michele took very good care of her mother Lillian till she passed away last year. My wife Betty and I attended Michele's "Celebration of Life" honoring her mother. Simply put, Michele had a strong relationship with her mother.

Throughout the years I have known Michele, she has had a stable life, been a successful and productive citizen and a credit to the community, i.e., City Councilwoman, Pro-Ten Mayor, etc etc. I was present at the Italian American Club, when Michele announced she was going to run for Governor, and all her friends and sponsors started cheering her on. and supporting her decision..

I have known Michele's two rescue dogs "Brooklyn and Las Vegas" since Michele rescued them as puppies, and their love for Michele, and her's to them, cannot be measured in words. She is their world and lifeline. Although I know, any separation would lead to broken hearts on both sides, that may not be enough for this Honorable Court to grant Michele a sentence it feels appropriate. But, I will say in my opinion Michele is not a threat to the community and is worthy of grace.

I pray and hope Michele Fiori will receive a sentence that would allow her to spend the remainder of her future years as a active and productive member of society to which I believe she can Be successfully.

With Deepest Respect

Frank LaPena

Frank LaPena

[redacted]

2/10/2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

February 6th 2025

Dear Honorable Judge Dorsey,

My name is Christine Meoli, and I am the owner of True Blue Pools. I first met Michele Fiore through my business, and in my time knowing her, I have only ever heard and witnessed positive things about her from those in our community. In our small town, people take notice of those who genuinely care, and Michele has certainly made an impact.

As a judge in Nye County, she has been spoken of with deep respect by many, and it is clear that she has dedicated herself to serving our community with fairness and integrity. Beyond her professional role, Michele's kindness and compassion are evident in the way she cared for her mother until her passing and how she continues to love and care for her dogs with the same devotion. She has always been family-oriented, often having her nieces and nephews over on weekends, filling her home with laughter as they swam in the pool and played together. These small but meaningful actions show the warmth and generosity that define her character.

I wanted to share the positive impact Michele has had on those around her, as I believe it speaks to her character and the person she truly is.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Christine Meoli



BRENT A. JONES
[redacted]

February 16, 2025

Re: Michelle Fiore Character

Dear Sir or Madam:

I have known Michelle for over 10 years. I served with her in the Nevada State legislature and hired her as a consultant in the private sector. In all the time I have known her, I have witnessed her on many, many occasions stand up against corruption, consistently take the high road and not violate her integrity, always look out for the best interests of others and the State of Nevada, sometimes at her personal expense, and always exercise complete and total honesty, even when under attack. Having seen her in action and in the proverbial "frying pan", I find it very hard to believe that she would intentionally misrepresent any significant truth.

To this end, if you always want truth, even when it is inconvenient or can be somewhat painful to hear, Michelle has always been a reliable person to provide straight forward truth. I believe her to be an excellent citizen, the type we need more of as our nation and State of Nevada moves forward during these challenging times.

I thank you for consideration of my thoughts.

Respectfully submitted,

BRENT A. JONES
Former Nevada State Assemblyman
District 35

The Honorable Judge Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Blvd South Las Vegas, NV 89101

February 06 2025

Dear Honorable Judge Dorsey

I am honored to write this letter in support of Judge Michele Fiori, whose presence in Nye County has had a profoundly positive impact on countless individuals, including my own family. Having observed her in court when my son stood before her, I saw firsthand the fairness, kindness, and dedication she brings to the bench.

Judge Fiori is more than just a judge—she is a pillar of our community. Her deep sense of responsibility and commitment to justice ensure that every case is handled with integrity and respect. She treats each person before her with dignity, listening carefully and making decisions that are not only legally sound but also just and compassionate. Her ability to balance the law with genuine care for people is what makes her such an invaluable asset to Nye County.

Her leadership and service have touched the lives of many. Whether helping families navigate difficult legal situations, ensuring fairness in her courtroom, or simply being a supportive and ethical presence in our community, Judge Fiori has consistently proven that she is not just enforcing the law—she is serving the people. Her impact is felt far beyond the courthouse doors, as she instills trust in the justice system and provides a sense of fairness and hope to those who need it most.

We are truly fortunate to have Judge Fiori in Nye County. Her unwavering dedication, kindness, and fairness have made a lasting difference in the lives of many, and I am grateful for her service to our community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if further information is needed.

Sincerely,
Mary Sinohui
Mary Sinohui

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

February 10, 2025

Dear Judge Dorsey:

My name is Nancy Earnhardt Ballard. I am a retired Medicare Agent.

I met Michele in the spring of 2012 while working in my front yard, she was walking the neighborhood engaging residents about her run for the State Assembly. She spent about an hour answering questions and then left after inviting me to her home for a Q & A session regarding the issues that concerned me.

During the course of our meetings, it became very obvious that Michele was very committed to taking care of her mother. Michele asked me to speak with her mother and see if there was anything I could recommend that would a more suitable health plan that would address her needs, she told me not to be concerned about Lil's ability to pay as Michele would cover the cost so her mother could improve her health situation.

I believe the crime she was found guilty of was completely out of character for her. She seemed very transparent in her work in the assembly and city council. Michele was the only person who voted against continuing to cover costs for the defunct golf course fiasco that is still active.

A prison sentence for Michele would be devastating as she still has familial responsibilities and I am sure she is still grieving the death of her mother. Michele has a great heart and prison would be extremely difficult for her and her family.

I am asking you consider that Michele is a very good person. She has worked in the public eye because she wanted to make a difference for the people of Nevada. I have always found Michele to be kind, straight forward and willing to help a friend. I am asking that you show leniency when you determine her sentence.

Sincerely,



Nancy Earnhardt Ballard

February 10, 2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada. 89101

Dear Judge Dorsey,

I am writing to you on behalf of my dear friend, Michele Fiore, who is currently facing sentencing. I have known Michele since 1981, and over the years, she has become a truly important part of my life. We grew up together, and as our mothers were both sole providers, we spent much of our childhood supporting and caring for each other. We were both honor roll students, active in our school and community, even choosing to get jobs during school to help our families.

While our paths diverged after high school, we have always kept in touch. I have watched Michele from afar as she raised her daughters, started her own home health care service, volunteered with various organizations, produced a movie, and cared for her mother, children, grandchildren, and countless friends. Through it all, Michele has always been the rock of her family and community, showing loyalty, compassion, and a remarkable drive to help others.

It is with sincere surprise that I find myself writing to you today. I am struggling to understand how Michele ended up in this situation, as it seems so out of character for the kind, hard working woman I have known for all these years. I truly hope that truth and fair justice will prevail, as Michele's actions have always been guided by integrity and a desire to do what is right.

Michele has always been the caretaker; the one people turn to for help. She has been there for me and my children during our darkest hours while she was busy juggling work, community service, a new political career and her own family. The prospect of imprisonment would not only be a tragedy for Michele but also for her family and the many people who rely on her. Her daughters and young grandchildren depend on Michele's continued presence and support. It takes a village to raise thriving, compassionate citizens, and Michele is a key part of that village.

Throughout her life, Michele has given of herself without ever asking for anything in return. Her loyalty and generosity have been unwavering. In light of this, I believe she deserves consideration based on the lifetime of selfless service she has provided to her family, friends, and community.

I am confident that whatever Michele has learned from this experience will only make her a stronger, more determined person. I know she is deeply committed to nurturing the futures of her daughters and grandchildren, and she will do whatever is necessary to learn from her mistakes and make amends. The impact of her presence on her family is immeasurable, and I truly believe that keeping Michele out of prison will benefit not

just her immediate family, but the wider community she has served so selflessly for years.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope you will take into account the positive contributions Michele has made throughout her life and offer her the opportunity to continue being the loving, caring person we all know her to be.

Sincerely,
Renee Lowe

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey,
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

I am writing this character letter for my friend and client Michele Fiore a woman of exceptional character, compassion and integrity. I am a manicurist and Michele has been my client for 5 years. The former Mayor of Las Vegas, Carolyn Goodman, also a client, introduced me to Michele. Carolyn asked me to please take her as a client, telling me what a wonderful woman she was. After many, many hours together one on one getting to know her I agree with the former Mayor. Michele is a loving grandmother, devoted daughter and very caring member of our community.

Her personal connections are a reflection of her strong moral character. One of her closest friends is a Priest at the Vatican. When we traveled to Italy last year she insisted we meet Father Angelo. She went out of her way to organize that introduction knowing what a devout Catholic my husband is. It was the highlight of our trip.

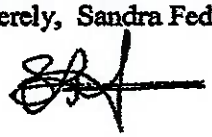
I believe Michele is a person with outstanding character. During our times together I have only seen her show kindness to anyone and everyone she has come in contact with. She is always willing to talk to and listen to anyone who may recognize her in our salon and come over to say hello.

There is nothing more important to Michele than her grandchildren and daughters. Her commitment to them is hands on. She is the heart and soul of the family. She shows unconditional love and compassion and is so supportive of each of them.

Her devotion to family is immeasurable. She had her mother live with her for many years making sure she was safe and well taken care of. In the end of her mother's life she kept her in their home surrounded by family, personally taking caring of her.

The thought of Michele being imprisoned and the toll that would take on her family would be devastating. He girls and grandchildren would lose their most trusted confidante and their source of unconditional love. She is the matriarch of their family. Her devotion to her family and her everyday involvement and emotional support is immeasurable. It will leave a void that cannot be filled by anyone else.

Sincerely, Sandra Fedel



February 24, 2025

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: Michele Fiore adv. United States of America
Case No.: 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA

Dear Judge Dorsey,

I have had the privilege of working alongside and being a colleague of Michele Fiore, and I can say with certainty that the media's portrayal of her does not reflect the person she truly is. Michele is a dedicated public servant who has consistently stepped up to defend and support those in need.

Throughout our time working together, she and I have shared initiatives we believed were worthy causes—demonstrating her unwavering commitment to her community. She is a team player, always available to her constituents and colleagues, and one of the hardest-working public officials I have ever known. Her community outreach efforts were unparalleled, making a real difference in the lives of many.

Beyond her public service, Michele is a devoted mother and grandmother who takes great care of her family. She has always led with a heart of gold, showing kindness and generosity at every turn. Given her deep-rooted commitment to both her family and her community, I respectfully ask that you consider alternatives to incarceration.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Bob Coffin



Bunnies Matter Rescue @Floyd Lamb Park

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Blvd. South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

2/6/2025

Your Honor,

I am Dave Schweiger, President, and Founder of Bunnies Matter Rescue, the only operating 501c3 rabbit rescue in Las Vegas. I first met Michele Fiore in 2017 (City of Las Vegas Councilwoman) at her "Mondays with Michelle" at our local (Ward 6) YMCA. Michele would spend most of the day listening to her constituents' problems and issues and I was utterly amazed at how she made herself so accessible to everyone and listened to everyone's problems and worked to solve them. It was truly a breath of fresh air.

I first met Michele on Monday October 23, 2017, and explained to her how bunnies were irresponsibly being sold in pet shops in the City of Las Vegas and that there were no laws in the city to protect them like Clark County had recently approved. She asked me to get her a copy of the Clark County ordinances and that she would take care of it. 9 months later, without me pestering her or anything, the City of Las Vegas unanimously approved the new spay and neuter laws for rabbits, ferrets, and pot-bellied pigs that Michele had championed for us. I was amazed that she would listen to a nobody that she had just met and worked so hard to help these innocent vulnerable animals that had no voice or no way to protect themselves.

But Michele did not stop there. Our rescue group had been feeding and watering 100s of dumped domestic bunnies that populated Floyd Lamb Park for many years. Michele approached my group in 2018 and asked if we could help rescue the dumped bunnies at her park in Ward 6, get them fixed and relocate them in a new rabbitat area they would build in the park for them. I told her we would love to, but we needed a building to house and care for them until they could go to the new rabbitat area. Long story short, it took us a while to get started but instead of placing them outside again where they were in danger, we began adopting them out from our new bunny building instead (aka the Floyd Lamb Park Cow Barn).

Later in 2020, when most of the Floyd Lamb Park bunnies were adopted out, Michele saw that we had started rescuing other bunnies that needed help in Las Vegas, and she asked me if we would like to continue to help the dumped and abandoned bunnies of Las Vegas. Of course, we said yes. Because of Michele Fiore's big heart and kindness to these wonderful creatures, we save and adopt out hundreds of dumped and surrendered bunnies from all over Las Vegas each year. This would never have happened without the kindness of Michele.

Michele has always been a truly kind and passionate person with a big heart. We became friends outside of the political and animal stuff (I am also an animal advocate trying to solve our animal over-population problems), even welcoming me and my family into her home on occasion.

Just to give you an idea of the Michele I know, last year I had asked her how being a judge was going for her, and she surprised me with her answer and stated, "I'm really helping a lot of people." I had never thought of a judge as someone who is helping people. And then I thought, oh, she is helping people by giving people a second chance to prove themselves and get their lives back on track. I thought wow, that is amazing that she has the power to be able to positively impact someone's life like that. I am hoping that you will give Michele the same consideration as she is willing to give strangers who had also made mistakes in their lives and just needed a chance to prove themselves. Michele is the HEART of her family, any jail time would be devastating to her very close-knit family, especially her grandkids, which adore her.

Thank you for your time,

Dave Schweiger

Dave Schweiger
President/Founder
www.bunniesmatter.org



Dave Schweiger is feeling excited with **Trudy Para Killman** and **9 others** at **Centennial Hills YMCA**

October 23, 2017 · Las Vegas

#bunniesmatterinvegastoo discussing Las Vegas Bunny issues in the City of Las Vegas with Michele Fiore! She was very receptive to our ideas to help solve the bunny problems in the city.



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Dave Schweiger is with **Michele Fiore**.
July 19, 2018 ·

Very **thankful** that we have **animal lover** Michele **Fiore** on **#teambunnies!!!** Ferrets and **pot-bellied** pigs were also **included in the new spay/neuter ordinances as well. In less than a year, she is making good things happen for our City! #teamfiore**

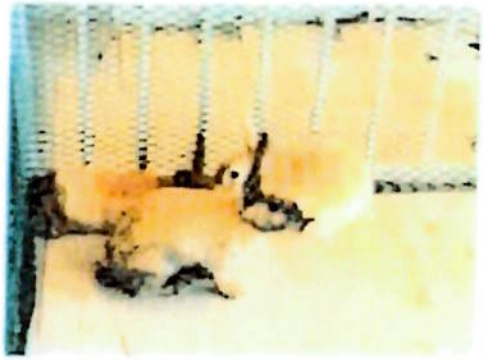


A Year in the Making

There is just no way I can thank the voters of Ward 6 enough. One year ago, I was sworn in as your Ward 6 City Council representative and it has been a wonderful year. This past year has been quite memorable and you made it happen. The most important part of representing you has been working with the neighbors to make sure developments properly fit the surrounding neighborhoods. I have worked hard to make sure all new development is harmonious and compatible; this has been the most significant aspect of my job representing you. Thank you to each of you!

Michele Fiore
Councilwoman, Ward 6

Floyd Lamb Park at Tule Springs



We are in the process of creating a rabbitat for the abandoned domestic rabbits at the park. Once this is finished we will capture the rabbits, spay or neuter them, and release them into the new rabbitat. In addition, with the passage of the new pet ordinance we now require all new rabbits sold in the city to be spayed or neutered, so we will no longer have this ongoing problem.

Further, we are looking into funding to restore the barn at the park and convert it into an events center. The barn cannot be

Dave Schweiger
July 25, 2018

The meeting with animal control and Michele Fiore went great today. Animal control is already contacting pet stores and enforcing the new ordinances. They will be informing the feed stores next. They however can use our help in finding any people or businesses at swap meets selling bunnies, ferrets or pot-bellied pigs. If you know of any, please comment with the name AND address below and I will forward the info. They also have been informing local dog breeders of the required $500 pet license and business license that are required to sell these "pure bred" dogs that they have been selling. Finally something is being done to give some relief to all the rescues overflowing with abandoned animals. #adoptdontshop

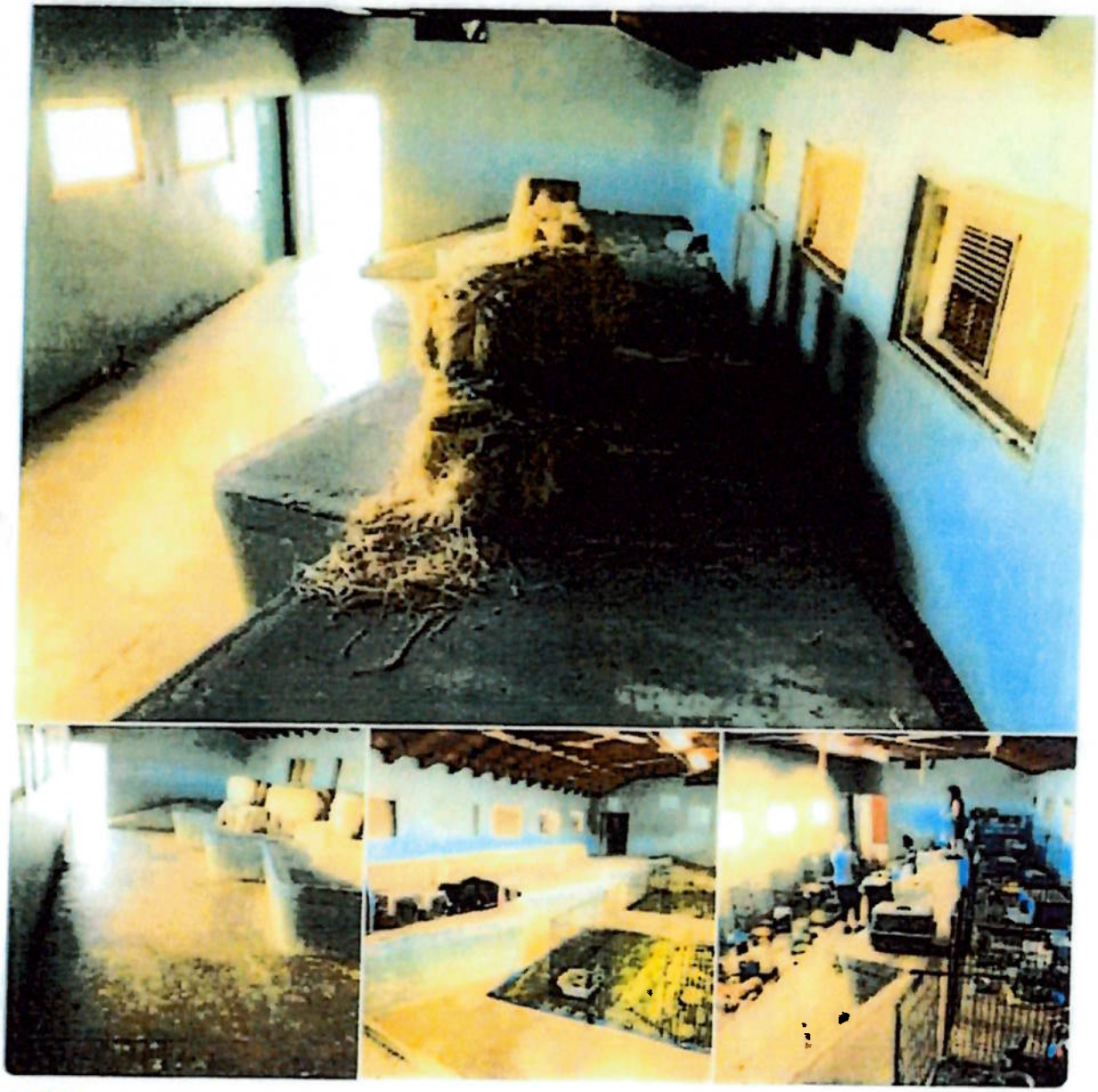


You, Susan Ostermiller, Stephanie Hall and 2 others

Love Comment Send

Dave Schweiger is with **Lucy Pandolfo-Johnston** and **Nancy Beaudoin**.
October 22, 2019

I thought Jackie Ashour would appreciate these pictures from Day 1 (March 11, 2019) to present. Jackie has done an amazing job making great bunny areas for all the Floyd Lamb Park rescued bunnies! The next adoptions should finally start to give us some breathing room.
#bunniesmatter



You, Darla Martin, Liz Grable and 61 others

13 comments

Dave Schweiger is with **Trudy Para Killman** and **15 others** at **Floyd Lamb Park at Tule Springs** ...

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Please share in LAS VEGAS! Starting TODAY, our bunny adoption events will be at FLOYD LAMB PARK and will be EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY from 11 AM - 3 PM. Come visit the #vegasdumpsitebunnies All adoptions are $80 for a bonded pair (some singles available - all bunnies up for adoption are already spay and neutered) and come with a bunny starter kit complete with everything you need for a proper bunny setup INSIDE your home (x-pen, litter boxes, litter, hay, pellets, nail clippers, tarp, hidey box, etc.). A $350 value for only an $80 adoption fee. We are able to provide amazing homes at affordable prices due to the huge generosity of our amazing donors who donate to our FLP GoFundMe campaign.
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You, Norma Schweiger, Derby Widolf and 52 others 16 comments 18 shares

Dave Schweiger
February 15, 2020

Teddie & Jade we're adopted today! I want to thank our great volunteer bunny team run by Jackie as there is finally light at the end of the tunnel! I want thank Michele Fiore, Chance and the parks facility people who have helped make our adoption events so successful! We have adopted 42 FLP bunnies out of 65 so far. 23 more to go!!!! #bunniesmatter #adoptdontshop



You, Darla Martin, Denise Wonders and 93 others

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Bunnies Matter is a group of volunteers dedicated to helping dumped & unwanted bunnies in Las Vegas

TICK SEGERBLOM
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The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, NV 89101

February 12, 2025

Dear Honorable Judge Dorsey,

I have known Michele Fiore since we worked together in the Nevada legislature in 2013 – I was a state senator, and she was a state assemblywoman. During that legislative session she impressed me with her willingness to stand up for what was right and be an independent voice regardless of the consequences. Plus, she always kept her word, something unusual in politics.

Since 2013 I have worked with her on many issues in our various capacities. She continued to be true to her word, a fighter for independent and powerless constituencies, unafraid to go against the grain. Michele didn't just talk the talk; she walked the walk. Michele fought to make a difference, and did make a difference.

The conduct which led to Michele's conviction is totally aberrant from the Michele Fiore that I know and have worked with in over 10 years. No one is perfect and we all do things we later regret, but in Michele's case her conduct is totally out-of-character from the conduct I observed up close.

At the end of the day I can't explain what happened, but I can say that she has been an extremely positive force in our State, and her conviction has been devasting to her and her family. To go further and punish Michele with prison time is unnecessary. The conviction has destroyed Michele's life and career, what more should a conviction do?

Thank you for your consideration.

TICK SEGERBLOM

February 7, 2025

Terresa Monroe-Hamilton

The Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey
United States District Court District of Nevada
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: Michele Fiore

Dear Judge Dorsey,

My name is Terresa Monroe-Hamilton. I own Monroe Virtual Services and am a business consultant as well as a researcher and a journalist. I am writing to you in support of Michele Fiore.

Michele and I have been friends for over 30 years. We met in Las Vegas through friends who were also business associates in the 1990s. Michele and I instantly became very close and have remained so over the years.

Michele is one of the kindest, most giving people I have ever known. Over the years, I have watched her help many individuals lift themselves up and become successful not only in business but personally. For me, it was both… but especially on a personal level.

When my father passed away from a double heart attack in my arms in 1999, I was inconsolable for a year. Michele comforted me the night he left us and all the days that followed. I don't know how I would have made it without her. She never stopped caring for or supporting me. Two years ago, after fighting colorectal cancer for five years, my husband passed away. Michele came and sat with him and kept him company even though he could no longer speak, and she was there for me after he passed as well. In the darkest hours of my life, Michele was my lifeline. She offered her home to me and has helped lift me out of the darkness after losing my husband of 38 years and my best friend.

I have always considered Michele one of the most honest and trustworthy people I have ever known. The charges she faces are totally out of sync with how she has conducted her life and her efforts to help others.

Michele being imprisoned would devastate not only her family, but everyone who knows her. It would turn my world upside down again. Her children and grandchildren need and depend on her and their lives would be dark without her. The community would lose a very good and valuable person who has impacted many lives for the better over decades.

From what I know, Michele has fought and worked hard for everything she has ever had. Her life was certainly not easy, but she was determined to make a good run of it for herself and those she loves. She has never given up or taken the easy way out. Michele has always put others before

herself. She has never asked for anything in return and has literally offered me the shirt off her back if I needed it.

My heart breaks for Michele and I hope that mercy and compassion will find its way into whatever comes next for her. Staying out of trouble is definitely something that is no doubt at the forefront of her thoughts following this situation.

I love Michele like a sister. I only wish I could help her more in her hour of need the way she has helped me over so many years. My late husband Garry would feel the same way.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter and my thoughts and feelings concerning Michele.

Sincerely,

Terresa Monroe-Hamilton

Terresa Monroe-Hamilton

From: Information Account
To: Judicial Information
Subject: PUT JUDGE FIORE BACK ON THE BENCH
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:01:01 PM

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The residents of Nye County FINALLY had an honest Judge and then the corrupt system in Nevada went to work on her. This started years ago with the Bundy trial and has not let up. The supposed trial was a huge miscarriage of justice. The formal Asst Sheriff pled guilty for aLL kinds of illegal activity and they want to keep distributing drugs and have no recourse against them

RETURN JUDGE FIORE TO HER BENCH!!

Mayre swore he would see her in grave trouble and the powers that be in Las Vegas worked to make that happen. This is the FBI agent that was admonished and demoted in the Bundy case, who were wrongfully inprisoned for more than 2 years.

JOHN HOBBS

From: Kristine Benson
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:37:40 PM

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We need Michelle Fiore back on the bench. We need her there!!!
Sent from my iPhone

From: tish desalvio
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:32:32 PM

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I hope this email finds you well. I want to express my support for Judge Michelle Fiore. She is dedicated and truly cares for the people. During her time on the Las Vegas City Council, I reached out to her several times, and she always returned my calls. She took the time to listen to my concerns, looked into them, and provided me with valuable feedback. She is a very helpful and respectful person in our community.

Support for Judge Michele Fiore.

Thank you,
Sent from my iPhone

From: Cynthia Davis
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:26:30 PM

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I am emailing to show my support for Michele Fiore returning to the bench. I respect her strength in standing up for the law. I believe she is fair and honest. It's a great loss to not have her return!

Thank you fro your time,
Cynthia Davis

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: workforward
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Subject: Bring Back Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:31:55 PM

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Dear Commission,

I respectfully ask that you put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench. She is a strong and fair voice in our justice system.

Thank you for your service.

Bruce

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:35:21 PM

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Please put Michelle Fiore back on the bench
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From: Mike Bajorek
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:40:26 PM

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Hello,

It has come to my attention that a small group of vocal people have tried to lobby against Judge Fiore's return to the bench. I am sending this email to voice my support for her. My family and I live in Pahrump and are registered voters.
We all support Judge Fiore's reinstatement. Please do not cave to the vocal minority who are trying to negate the overwhelming support that Judge Fiore saw at the ballot box.
The majority of Pahrump residents voted her into office.
This should be upheld, period.

Regards,
Mike Bajorek

From: Angie Bundy
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Re:michele fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:44:42 PM

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Michele is a fair and impartial judge and should be restored to her position. I can only imagine her most recent events…facing a miscarriage of justice will only solidify her will to be even better at what she was doing on the bench previously. Thank you!

Angie Bundy

Sent from my iPhone

From:	CHRISTINA VARGAS
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Michele Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:19:25 PM

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To whom it may concern
I am sending this plea in support of returning Michele Fiore back to the bench in her previous role she held prior to the injustice that occurred to her. Unlike Judge Dorsey honorable Michele Fiore has always approached her judicial position non-bias with equal opportunity to all whom presented themselves in front of her. It would be an injustice to judge Fiore by not giving her the opportunity to up hold the constitution for those that come in front of her.

Respectfully
Christina Vargas

Sent from my iPhone

From: Christina Vargas
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:30:38 PM

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To the Judicial Commission,

As a resident of Nevada for several years, I respectfully request that you reinstate Michele Fiore to her position as justice of the peace in Pahrump, Nevada.

Miss Fiore has demonstrated the community's support for her by electing her to her role. I am personally acquainted with Miss Fiore and am confident that she will uphold the Constitution and ensure equal treatment for all.

Sincerely,
CJV
Sent from my iPhone

From: Christina Vargas
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:24:38 PM

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To judicial commission

It is my heartfelt support of returning Michele Fiore to the bench, where she can continue her role she held prior to Judge Dorsey's witch hunt to obtain a wrongful conviction.
There is no one better than Michele Fiore in this role to help to support the community and the community during the last election overwhelmingly agreed with me by electing her into this role.

Thank you for your time
Nevada resident
Sent from my iPhone

From: Christina Vargas
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:44:09 PM

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A La comisión judicial

Escribo hoy en apoyo de volver a colocar a Michele Fiore en el banquillo.

Conozco a Michele desde hace muchos años y siempre ha puesto a la comunidad en primer lugar, esto incluye asistencia para aquellos de nosotros que el inglés es un segundo idioma. Ella nunca nos ha juzgado por no hablar inglés, y en cambio siempre ha ofrecido ayuda. Necesitábamos entender qué son los derechos o cómo ella puede proporcionarnos asistencia con un problema.

Sin entrar en muchos más detalles, le pido a un hogar de habla hispana que, por favor, deje que la jueza Michele Fiore continúe ayudándonos a todos.

Gracias
Familia Dorame

From: Dana Duncan
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Attention Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:47:39 PM

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To whom this may concern

We support Judge "Michele Fiore," "Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench!

Best of Kindness!
Dana Duncan
Las Vegas, Nevada

From: Patsy Brown
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Reinstatement of Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:47:31 PM

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I support the reinstatement of Judge Michele Fiore to the bench. It is critical to have judges who embody the principles of judicial efficiency, due process, and legal clarity. Judge Fiore understands the importance of ensuring that litigants, many of whom may be unfamiliar with legal doctrines and procedural rules, are treated fairly and respectfully.

Judge Fiore was elected by the people to serve in this important role, and she has demonstrated both a commitment to public service and the capacity for growth within the judiciary. Reinstating her would not only honor the will of the voters but also provide her the opportunity to continue developing as a thoughtful and effective jurist.

Patsy Brown, JD
Accomplished, LLC
[redacted]

"Tomorrow Belongs to Those Who Prepare for It Today."

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From: Matt Call
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:51:41 PM

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I've worked with Michele for many years. I can't say enough good things about her. We support Judge Michele Fiore!
Sent from my iPhone

From: cliven "n carol
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:56:26 PM

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Judge Fiore was elected by the people. We have not heard any complaints about her judgments. Put her back in her seat.

From: Anna Christensen
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:58:48 PM

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Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

Spine and Wellness Management Group LLC
Anna Christensen
[redacted]

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From: Debby Wright
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:03:31 PM

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We totally support Judge Michele Fiore! Please put Judge Fiore back on the bench asap…

Debby Wright
Las Vegas, NV 89135

Sent from my iPhone

From: Christian Clinton
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Strong Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:09:28 PM

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Dear Members of the Judicial Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for Judge Michele Fiore and to urge the Commission to reinstate her to the bench. Throughout her years of public service—from her time as an Assemblywoman to her leadership on the Las Vegas City Council—Judge Fiore has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to our community. She has been a steadfast advocate for public safety, small businesses, and individual rights, always making herself accessible to her constituents and standing up for what she believes is right.

Her dedication to fairness and accountability has not gone unnoticed, and many in the community have benefitted directly from her efforts to improve the lives of Nevadans. I respectfully request that you take into account her years of service and the positive impact she has had on countless individuals and families.

Please reinstate Judge Michele Fiore to the bench. Our community needs her experience, integrity, and leadership.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christian R. Clinton

[redacted]

From: George Cordero
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:21:46 PM

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We support Judge Michele Fiores. We're asking to please put her back on the bench. She was wrongfully accused, and removed. We trust in her. Thank you for your time.
Sent from my iPhone

From: Brenda Bouschard
To: Judicial Information
Subject: I SUPPORT MICHELE FIORE 18%
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:31:42 PM

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I respectfully request the Michele Fiore be reinstated on the bench.
We The People voted for her, and We The People are the ONLY ones who have the right to remove her. We The People also don't forget.

[redacted]

Sent from my iPhone

From: Gerald Butler
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:32:55 PM

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Please put fiore back on the bench a presidential pardon is also known as a excectuctive nullification not a forgiveness

From: miles duecker
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:42:31 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I wanted to express my support for Michele Fiore to be put back on the bench here in Nye County.

Miles A. Duecker

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:52:26 PM

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Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel & Executive Director
Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

Via email only

Mr Deyhle:

I have known Judge Fiore since 1999 and have worked for her when she was in the Nevada Assembly and when she represented Ward 6 on the Las Vegas City Council. We have had a tumultuous relationship over the past 26 years. In fact, I have quit working for her on three different occasions. With that said, at no time since I have known Judge Fiore has she ever been "a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice."

During her tenure as a Nevada Assemblywoman, she was a member of the Judiciary Committee and worked tirelessly for judicial reform and was always a spokesperson for disadvantaged people. Judge Fiore was appointed to the bench but ran for re-election On June 11, 2024. She won that election outright with 57.31% of the vote. The people of Nye County knew who they were voting for and supported her overwhelmingly, she deserves to be reinstated.

I wish to restate my position that Judge Fiore, in the 26 years I have known her, has never been "a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice." Since she was appointed to the bench she has been an exemplary justice and deserves to be reinstated.

Dan Burdish
[redacted]

From: Eric Coleman
To: Judicial Information
Subject: I support Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:29:49 PM

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As a journalist I followed closely the shenanigans around corrupt BLM officials and unscrupulous prosecutors surrounding the Bundy Ranch fiasco. Fiore stood up against those crooks and suffered the consequences. Put her back on the bench. This smear campaign has gone on long enough. She has been pardoned and deserves to return to her elected position.

Regards,

Eric Coleman
[redacted]

From: Leah The Great
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:32:56 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you today to ask you to please re-instate Judge Michelle Fiore. I strongly feel she did not receive a fair trial and has been a target by Democrats in power for nearly a decade. I also know for a fact that she is the best judge we have here in Nye County. She is fair with every defendant that appears before her. Please put her back on the bench. I am a longtime Pahrump resident of over nineteen years. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Leah Aldridge

From: Felecia
To: Judicial Information
Subject: KEEP Judge Michele Fiore!
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:31:57 PM

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Judge Fiore was elected by the citizens of Nye County with 57% of the vote and the citizens want her and support her. That you would attempt to disenfranchise the majority of voters is a disgrace. Put her back on the bench!

Felecia Dorchuck

From:	Mia DeLode
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Judge Michele Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:36:47 PM

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Please put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench, Judge Michele stands for justice.
Thank you, Mary Lode

From: Kristen Bagley
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:08:14 PM

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We support Michele Fiore. Please put her back on the bench. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michael and Kristen Bagley

From: Brian Davis
To: Judicial Information
Subject: ATTENTION! Return Judge Fiore to the Bench!
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:18:12 PM

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It has come to my attention that there has been
continued delay in returning Judge Michele Fiore to the bench.

As a Nye Country resident, it is imperative that Judge Michele Fiore,
who was overwhelmingly voted into service, be returned to the bench
for service in the county that I live in.

It is a disappointment to the continuants of Nye County to NOT have
Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

Respectfully from a Marine Corp Veteran and Nevada State Business Owner,
Brian J. Davis
Nye County Resident
Precinct 33

From: Samuel Arena
To: Judicial Information
Subject: CONCERNED CITIZEN FOR MICHELE FIORE
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:10:27 PM

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I am writing to express my support for Michele Fiore. In my experience, Michele has always been an honest and trustworthy leader and friend.

Therefore, I respectfully ask that you put Michele back on the bench.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Samuel

Sincerely,
Samuel E. Arena

From: Matt Anthony
To: Judicial Information
Subject: SUPPORT MICHELE FIORE
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:29:17 PM

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Put Michele Fiore back on the bench! She's a great woman I've had the pleasure of meeting and working with her in the NVGOP and CCRP.

-Matt Anthony

From: [redacted]
To: MicheleFiore@me.com; Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:23:51 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I respectfully request the return of Judge Michele Fiore to the bench. Michele has my full support, and I believe she serves our community with strength and fairness.

Sincerely,

Ricki Y. Barlow, MBA
Commercial Services
NV-RE # S0190259
Coldwell Banker Commercial
8290 W. Sahara Ave., STE 200
Las Vegas, NV. 89117
702-938-5107 (o)
[redacted]

From: Donna Cox
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 9:46:33 PM

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I am a newly retired Nye County Commission with 12 years of service to Nye County. My family and I have lived in Pahrump for 37 years and we are now 4 generations strong here. I have known Judge Fiore over 10 years. We met when she was in the Nevada Assembly. I was the Commissioner who made the motion to our board to appoint her and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Out of several persons whom appeared and spoke in front of our board, Michele was the only person with knowledge and understanding of Nevada Law and had already been actively attending law school at UNLV. She was living in Pahrump and was activley involved in many Town and County functions long before she planned on running for any office public here. We also found her to not only be very fosused, attentive and gracious but also very caring and not afraid to take on a back log of over 600 cases that were waiting for her. She also had a clean record, history and back ground. She had served in her position for approximately 18 months without any complaints and the people liked her even when she found them guilty because she always treated them with respect and she made sound decisions based on facts, not hearsay or rederick. Those are the kind of qualities that also got her elected by over 60 percent of the voters in this last election. She has done an outstanding job as a Judge for Nye County and the people need her. The vast majority of them were thrilled when President Trump gave her a Pardon. Some others werent becasue they have no clue and talk is cheap. They people have come recently to Nevada from other states with a chip on their shouder and in their mind set, every person in a political position or a government job should be hung out to dry down town in a public square. Michele has fell victim to their way of thinking. She not been accused of or committing any crimes in Nye County but a handful of people who have never met her, have fallen into a trap set by the news media in Clark County. My question would be if the crime she has been falsely accuse of happened over 10 years ago in the City of Las Vegas, why didn't the LVDA or CCDA not go after her at that time, or even the AG.. They all had the power to do so but didnt have any evidence because there was no crime legal committed by her. Instead, a Fed. Prosecutor (the same prosecutor who lost his case which he had trumped up against the Bundys a few years earlier when he with-held information from the court) chose to do this right after she won her election even though it was now 10 years down the line. Records show that he had been tracking her every move since the BLM/FBI was told leave the Bundys Ranch by the CC Sheriff's Dept./LVMETRO. Michele stood by the Bundys side as a good Assembly woman should do since this was illegally happening in her Dist.. End result, the Feds have been after her every since. They don't take kindly to losing. Also, what ever happened to the Statue of Limitations? No one in any State in Ameria should have more power then an elected President. He is aloud to give Pardons because people make mistakes and innocent people get there lives destroyed. Trumps decision was not made lightly. Michele did not just call him up and say I want a Pardon and he gave it to her. It went through a legal procedure. It is my understanding that he ordered a full investigation and every piece of evidence was gone over by the President's investigative team and presented to him and he made his decision based on those findings which resulted in Michele being granted a "Full and Unconditional Pardon."
Michele needs to be made whole again! Her Court needs be the same and so does it's people.

There will be no justice served in this case otherwise!

Thank you for your time in this matter and stay safe!

Donna C. Cox/Retired Nye County Commission

Sent with mail.com Mail app

From: Chance Bonaventura
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Letter of Support Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 9:42:11 PM
Attachments: Michele Fiore Letter of Support_Chance B..pdf

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Good afternoon,

Please see attached letter of support for the removal of Suspension on the Hon. Michele Fiore (Case No. 2024-AMD-02 and Case No. 2025-108), scheduled for May 9, 2025.

Best,

Chance Bonaventura
[redacted]

May 8, 2025

Esteemed Members of the Commission on Judicial Discipline, State of Nevada,

I write to respectfully support The Honorable Michele Fiore regarding the Hearing on Suspension, Case No. 2024-ADM-02 and Case No. 2025-108, scheduled for May 9, 2025.

I have known Michele Fiore since 2014, and over the years, I have worked closely with her on multiple campaigns and in official capacities, ultimately serving as her Chief of Staff on the Las Vegas City Council. Through all these years, Michele's unwavering commitment to public service, impartiality, and integrity have only deepened during her service as Justice of the Peace for Nye County.

Since taking the office of Justice of the Peace in Nye County I have witnessed Michele completely set aside all political biases and party line ideologies. She has served with an impartiality and veraciousness, which the people of Nye County overwhelmingly acknowledged when they voted for her re-election in 2024; and she continues to personify a hallmark of judicial stewardship.

Regarding the matter before you, I humbly ask that you set aside pre-conceived notions and mute the boisterous body politic, which tends to oversimplify and coral the opinion of the masses into black and white disposition; as the beauty of truth presents itself with much more nuance and complexity. As you well know, the most recent trial which resulted in Michele's suspension has come to a close and she has been issued a Full and Unconditional Pardon from President Donald J. Trump.

The Supreme Court explained in *Ex parte Garland* (1866), that a pardon is not merely forgiveness but the complete removal of legal punishment:

> "A pardon reaches both the punishment prescribed for the offense and the guilt of the offender; and when the pardon is full, it releases the punishment and blots out the existence of guilt."

A pardon does not merely excuse the crime; it absolves the **punishment**, restoring the individual to a position where they are no longer burdened by the legal sentence.

Nevada courts have reaffirmed this principle. In *State v. Dismuke* (1991), the Nevada Supreme Court recognized that a full pardon effectively removes all penalties and disqualifications arising from a conviction, even though the conviction itself remains on record.

Additionally, Michele was never issued a judgement of conviction against her nor did sentencing occur. Therefore, even though the jury record is historically recorded and may be considered as evidence in support of a purported misconduct, the pardon legally nullifies the consequences — and suspension from judicial office is a *consequence*. Continued suspension would, therefore, conflict directly with established law regarding the legal effects of pardons.

May 8, 2025

Judicial discipline, as Nevada precedent affirms, must remain restorative and protective of public confidence — not punitive for its own sake. Continuing the suspension risks imposing a punitive measure, which Nevada law and judicial discipline principles discourage. As this Commission is tasked with ensuring restorative and protective outcomes, rather than punitive ones, lifting the suspension aligns with both precedent and the public interest.

Given the full pardon, Michele Fiore stands restored to her former legal status. She has continued to demonstrate judicial impartiality, ethical conduct, commitment to public service, and compliance with Code of Judicial Conduct. Upholding her suspension would not only contravene the legal efficacy of the pardon but might justly be deemed a disregard of the sovereign will of the electorate and the historical purpose of pardons, which, in its essence, restores the offender to the full measure of civic absolution

Accordingly, I respectfully urge the Commission to lift her suspension in full, consistent with the governing law, precedent, and best traditions of judicial fairness.

Thank you for your careful consideration of these important principles.

Respectfully,



Chance Bonaventura

From: Harold Drezner
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 15, 2025 4:13:03 PM

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ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov please put Michele Fiore back on the bench thank you Harold Drezner

From: Heather Saunders
To: Judicial Information
Subject: I support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:38:02 PM

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Hi,

I HIGHLY support Judge Michele Fiore!!! She is a hard worker and always has put her job first. She is also an amazing person! Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench!

Thank you,
Heather Saunders

Sent from my iPhone

From: Gregg Merrill
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:03:53 PM

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Please put Michele back on the bench, she's so deserves it. I worked with her and she's an absolutely amazing individual love Gregg.
Sent from my iPhone

From: Tim Bedwell
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:11:15 PM

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As a retired Nevada lawman, I support Judge Fiore. In one trailblazing act, she provided the spark for necessary lasting criminal justice change in Nevada. For that and many other reasons, Judge Fiore should be welcomed back to her seat on the bench.

At the 2013 Legislative session, I was proud to sit alongside then Assemblywoman Fiore to introduce AB248. The bill would have decriminalized most traffic violations in Nevada. Which had never before been formally proposed.

In 2021, Nevada did decriminalize most traffic violations, changing them from criminal misdemeanors to civil infractions through AB116, a direct descendant of Judge Fiore's 2013 bill.

Best Regards,

Regards,
Tim Bedwell
[redacted]

From: Dawn Duncan
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore Back On The Bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:18:18 PM

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Dear Nevada Judicial Commission:

I am writing you on behalf of Judge Michele Fiore.

Judge Fiore represents rural Nye County, it's residents and businesses fairly and equitably. She has done an outstanding job here, in her capacity as a Justice of the Peace.

We absolutely and unequivocally support Judge Fiore here in Nye County and we are grateful that she received a full Presidential pardon.

We are asking for Judge Fiore to be reinstated back "on the bench", as soon as possible!

Very sincerely,

Dawn Duncan
Owner
Divine Spirit Ranch

From: jason earnest
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:42:16 PM

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To whom it May concern,

I have practice law in Nevada since 1998. Acting as public defender in Nye and Esmeralda since 2000. I am whole heartedly in support of Judge Fiore getting back on the bench. She is fair and efficient. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jason Earnest.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Vincent Easley II
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:35:55 PM

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I hope you all will reinstate Judge Fiore to her seat without delay.

From: Wendy Ellis
To: Judicial Information
Subject: In support of Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:14:38 PM

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Greetings:

I am writing in support of Michele Fiore. Please return her to the bench, and the courtroom. Too many people like her have been targeted and attacked using lawfare. I, for one, am infuriated and exhausted by such tactics being used to destroy lives, for political purposes.

Sincerely,

Wendy G Ellis
[redacted]

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From: Desi Endres
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:04:40 PM

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If a person is pardoned by the President of The United States, that shows overwhelming confidence in this administration's belief of that person's innocence.

President Trump believes in Judge Fiore; her family believes in her; her friends believe in her; our community believes in her.

Please restore Michele Fiore's status as a sitting judge in Nye County, Pahrump, Nevada. Pardons from our POTUS should be respected.

Thank you.

~Desi Endres
Sent from my iPhone

From: Jimmy Epley
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:39:15 PM

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Hello,

I don't see any reason why Michele Fiore should not be on the bench. Let's get her back there. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Jimmy D. Epley
Future Freedom Medal Winner
"If you don't shoot for the stars, you'll never get past the trees"

From: Michele Evans
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:00:39 PM

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We support Michele Fiore. Please out her on the bench!!

Michele Evans
Las Vegas, NV

Sent from Michele's iPhone

From:	Frank La Pena
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Michele Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:40:13 PM

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Sent from my iPhone
I have known Michele Fiore for nearly 19 years. And I have visited her courtroom many times. She is a born judge. Very fair. highly intelligent and no nonsense judge. She is a credit to the judicial bench

From: lifee
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:30:43 PM

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I am writing in support of Michele Fiore to return to the bench.

Michele has been a positive force in public service spanning many years and posistions.

Michele has been completely vindicated and shouldn't face additional persecution.

Please return Michele to the bench where she can again serve the public.

Thank you.

Laurel Fee

Sent from my Galaxy

From: David Fleeman
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Reinstate Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:33:09 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

I respectfully request that Judge Michele Fiore be reinstated to the bench. Her only fault, in the eyes of some, is not aligning with liberal views. However, she is a person of strong moral character, which is exactly what the bench needs. I have known her for nearly a decade, and in that time, she has consistently inspired positive change in countless individuals.

Thank you for considering this request.

David Fleeman

From: Heidi Fleiss
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:53:29 PM

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Attention judicial commissioners

I am a resident in Pahrump for 17 years. I feel honored Michele Fiore chose our community to be of service. Her strength, character and morality has earned the respect of many. Please keep her on the bench.
Respectfully
Heidi Fleiss
[redacted]

Sent from my iPhone

From: Autumn Fulde
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Bring back Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:05:03 PM

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To whom it may concern:

Our whole family supports Judge Michele Fiore. We have immediate family in Pahrump, young and old, and she is DESPERATELY needed back as a judge. Put her back on the bench!

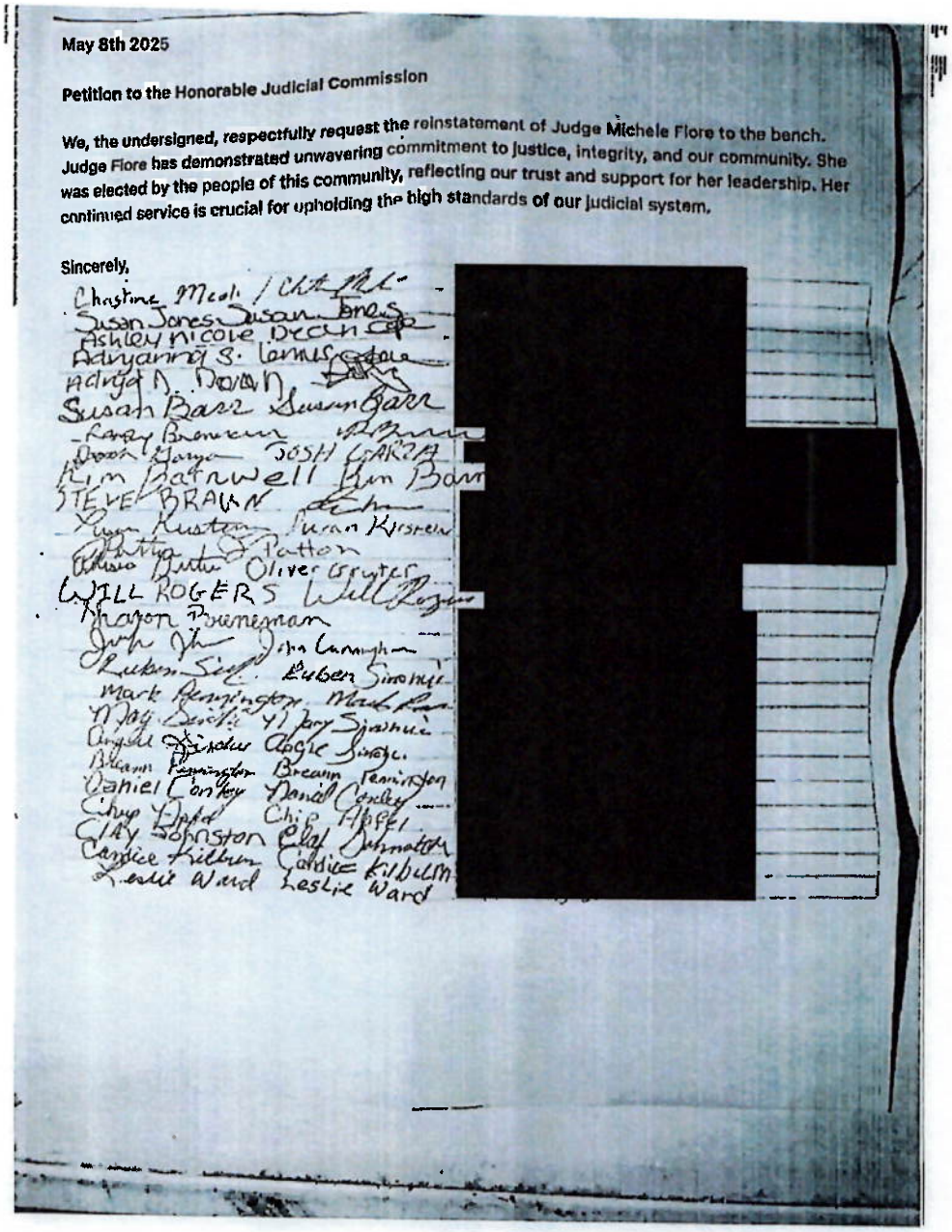
- The Fulde Family

May 8th 2025

Petition to the Honorable Judicial Commission

We, the undersigned, respectfully request the reinstatement of Judge Michele Fiore to the bench. Judge Fiore has demonstrated unwavering commitment to justice, integrity, and our community. She was elected by the people of this community, reflecting our trust and support for her leadership. Her continued service is crucial for upholding the high standards of our judicial system.

Sincerely,



From: Donald Gewelke
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michelle. Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:53:17 PM

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I support Judge Michelle Fiore . Put Judge Michelle Fiore back on the bench.

Don. Gewelke

From: Joey Gilbert
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Judge Fiore back on the bench and stop playing games.
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:38:27 PM

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To whom it may concern:

We support Judge Michelle Fiore, therefore, please put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

I want to extend my support to IMMEDIATELY put Judge Fiore back on the bench.

Please reinstate Judge Fiore and let her continue to serve the constituents who elected her.

Respectfully,

Joey Gilbert, Esq.

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Joey Gilbert, Esq. | *Attorney*
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From: Irina
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Formal Request for Reinstatement of Judge Michelle Fiore to the Bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:00:38 PM

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Dear Judicial Commission,

I am writing on behalf of the many supporters and constituents of Judge Michelle Fiore to respectfully request her immediate reinstatement to the bench.

Judge Fiore has been a longstanding public servant and a fierce advocate for justice and accountability. While she has faced political targeting in recent years, it is important to note that she has since been officially **pardoned by President Donald J. Trump**, clearing the path for her return to judicial service with honor and credibility restored.

The continued exclusion of Judge Fiore from her judicial duties not only undermines the principle of redemption but also the voice of the people who stand behind her. She has demonstrated integrity, strength, and an unwavering commitment to the rule of law — traits that are deeply needed in our judiciary today.

We ask that this board recognize the full context of her pardon, her consistent track record of public service, and the will of the people in calling for her reinstatement. Justice demands fairness not only for those who appear before the court — but also for those who serve it.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We respectfully urge you to allow Judge Michelle Fiore to resume her position on the bench without delay.

Sincerely,

On behalf of the Citizens and Supporters of Judge Michelle Fiore



Irina Hansen & Team
Candidate for Governor of Nevada- 2026
Email: HansenForGovernor@gmail.com

Web: IrinaHansenForGovernor.com

Unbought. Unafraid. Unstoppable. Nevada Deserves a Fighter

From: John Harp
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:33:25 PM

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It's time to put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench. Thank you for your consideration.
Sent from my iPhone

From: Delta Hawk
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:46:12 PM

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We support Judge Michele Fiore and like her to remain on the bench. As part of faithfellowship church we pray that you will have her stay in her position as Justice thank you and god bless.

From: Andre Haynes
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Recommendation - Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:51:25 PM
Attachments: Judge Michele Fiore support letter - AH.pdf

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Please see my attached endorsement letter. Thank you.

Sincerely,



ANDRE' HAYNES
[redacted]
[redacted]

From the desk of Andre' Haynes

May 8, 2025

Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

RE: Judge Michele Fiore

Sent to ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

Dear Commission Members,

I support Judge Michele Fiore's return to the bench in Pahrump, Nevada, because I believe in her commitment to justice and community welfare. Throughout her career, Judge Fiore has demonstrated a dedication to listening attentively to both defendants and prosecutors, ensuring that every voice is heard in her courtroom. She has consistently applied the Nevada Revised Statutes with integrity, making decisions that reflect both the letter and the spirit of the law. Her approach to justice emphasizes fairness and accountability, qualities that are essential for maintaining public trust in our legal system. Judge Fiore's experience and understanding of the community's needs make her uniquely qualified to serve effectively. I am confident that her return will contribute positively to the administration of justice in Pahrump, Nevada. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

/s/ Andre' Haynes

Andre' Haynes
[redacted]

From: Heather Ann
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:58:32 PM

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Keep Michelle Fiore on bench. She is a great person and a great judge.

From: David Henry
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Fw: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:31:35 PM

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From: [redacted]
To: ncjdnfo@judicial.nv.gov <ncjdnfo@judicial.nv.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 06:26:21 PM EDT
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore

5-8-2025

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this note in favor of Judge Michele Fiore. She was appointed to her position by a panel in this area. She worked hard and by all standards rendered good case decisions. The people felt so strongly in her district she won election by over 50%. I would like her to be returned to her position and we, the voters can make that determination in due time. Aren't we about justice and this has run it's course.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

David Henry
[redacted]

From: Mark Herr
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:01:47 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

Please retain/keep Judge Michele Fiore.

Most Sincerely,
Mark Herr

From: John H
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:51:50 PM

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Dear Judicial Commission,

I strongly support Judge Michele Fiore and urge you to reinstate her to the bench. Her dedication and service deserve recognition and trust.

Sincerely,
John Hobbs

From: LuAnn Holmes
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Reinstate Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:56:50 PM

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To deny the reinstatement of Judge Michele Fiore would undermine the integrity of our electoral system and represent a profound disservice to the democratic ideals we cherish. Such an action would be tantamount to dismissing the very votes that empower our officials and, consequently, jeopardizing the trust that citizens place in the electoral process. Honor the voices of the electorate and reinstate Judge Michele Fiore.

Respectfully,
Dr. LuAnn D. Holmes

From: Julia Davis
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench!
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:52:20 PM

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To the Judicial Commission
and whomever this concerns
regarding Judge Michele Fiore,

It grieves my heart that I have to even send this e-mail.
It is very clear that Judge Michele Fiore MUST be put back on the bench!
We have been a supporter of Michele for years in the political field even during the time she ran as a candidate for Nevada Governor.
There is absolutely no reason to delay her return to the bench as the constituents voted to retain her as Judge Michele Fiore.

PUT JUDGE FIORE BACK ON THE BENCH!

Respectfully and Confidently,
Julia Davis
Nye County Resident
Precinct 33

From: Juanita Merrill
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:39:18 PM

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Please, put Michele Fiore back on the bench. Thank you very much. Sincerely,
Mrs. Juanita Merrill.
Sent from my iPhone

From: Jesse Shelton
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Help judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:18:16 PM

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Judge Fiore should be put back on the bench. She deserves it. She represents the residents of rural Nevada and we all support her.

From: James Wright
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:15:43 PM

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Good afternoon

I support Judge Michele Fiore. Please place her back in her rightful position on the bench.

Sincerely

Jim Wright

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From:	Bruce Jabbour
To:	Judicial Information
Cc:	Michele Fiore
Subject:	Judge Michelle Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:23:02 PM

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Good afternoon!

I am writing in support of making a good and just decision to put Judge Michelle Fiore back in the bench.
She was first appointed and then overwhelmingly won an Election by the People as Justice of the Peace. I do not have all of the information regarding her case however, you do. I only know her record while serving on the bench was positive, professional, and fair according to the law of which I am appreciative.
Please consider all factors in making your decision.

Respectfully,

Bruce Jabbour
Nye County Commissioner
Sent from
my iPhone

From: Armeni, Paola M.
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Fwd: Judge Michelle Fiore
Date: Monday, May 12, 2025 5:36:27 PM

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Please see below. I was asked to forward it.
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Begin forwarded message:

From: Bruce Jabbour [redacted]
Date: May 12, 2025 at 3:02:26 PM PDT
To: "Armeni, Paola M." <parmeni@clarkhill.com>
Subject: Judge Michelle Fiore

Good afternoon Commissioners!

As you are aware,
this Commission was created in November of 1976 to investigate allegations of Judicial misconduct in office, violations of Revised Nevada Code of judicial conduct, or disability of judges. Please inform me, of the three, which one(s) were violations?
As you meet and review this situation, please note that you have the authority to dismiss the complaint against Judge Michelle Fiore at any time and Hopefully soon!
You have already lifted the suspension of pay which is appreciated however, not your budget but Nye County's.
Under the powers of the Judicial Commissions Does or Does not, Judge Fiore does not fall under this criteria and there is no authority under your jurisdictional provisions and guidelines to even continue.
Judge Fiore through Donald J. Trump the President of the United States of America, was granted a full pardon. This grants her forgiveness and she has been released from any consequences, and her conviction has been wiped away, and any associated punishment, including imprisonment and or fines have been removed. This is all outlined in Article II of the Constitution and is vested in the Executive Branch of the President of the United States.
The people of Nye County elected Michelle Fiore and any future decisions should be made by the Nye County Taxpayers and registered Voters.
In conclusion, Judge Michelle Fiore should be allowed to return to the Nye County Justice Court Bench.

Respectfully,

Nye County Commissioner District 1
Bruce Jabbour

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From: Woodrow Johnston
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We support Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:28:40 PM

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To the Commission:

I strongly support Judge Michele Fiore and urge you to reinstate her to the bench. She brings a much-needed perspective and commitment to justice in Nevada. Please do the right thing and return her to service.

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From: Karl Mitchell
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:04:38 PM

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Please retain Michelle Fiore

Yours For The Best In Wild Animals
Karl Mitchell Director
www.bigcatencounters.org

From: Karl Mitchell
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:04:38 PM

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Please retain Michelle Fiore

Yours For The Best In Wild Animals
Karl Mitchell Director
www.bigcatencounters.org

From: Patrick Kerby
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:59:48 PM

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To whom it may concern,

There was never any debate about the quality of Michele Fiore's work on the bench. Pardons are meant to restore lives unjustly challenged. She should be returned to service.

Pat Kerby
Beyond L.A. Productions

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: In support of Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:48:28 PM

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Please restore Judge Michele Fiore to the Bench. I first met her in 2012 and I believe she is an exceptional individual. She was elected by the people. She respects the law.

Sincerely
Luan Kiesow- Francis

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Lindy Mitchell
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:11:00 PM

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Please put Judge Michelle Fiore back on the bench!!!!

From: Tree Dee
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:51:51 PM

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing today to ask you to allow Judge Michele Fiore to resume her duties on the bench. Everything I know about her judgeship is that she is a fair and conscientious Justice of the Peace.

Thank You

Theresa A DeGraffenreid

From: p laramie
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Strong Support for Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:05:31 PM

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Paul J. Laramie
[redacted]
5/8/2025
Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline

To : Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511
To the Honorable Members of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline,

I am writing to express my strong and unwavering support for Judge Michelle Fiore and to voice my deep concern regarding any potential actions that could lead to her removal from the bench. I, along with many other Nevadans, believe that removing Judge Fiore would be a disservice to the people of Nevada and a detrimental blow to the integrity of our judicial system.

Judge Fiore has consistently demonstrated a commitment to justice, fairness, and the rule of law throughout her career. Her dedication to serving the community is evident .

Personally, Judge Fiore has made a significant impact on my life by inspiring me to become more involved in my community and make a positive impact . This is not an isolated instance; I know many other Nevadans whose lives have been positively influenced by Judge Fiore's dedication and integrity.

The potential removal of Judge Fiore from her position would not only deprive Nevada of a valuable and dedicated public servant but would also send a deeply troubling message. It would suggest that the voices and experiences of the people she serves are not being heard, and that the principles of justice and fairness are being compromised.

We, the people of Nevada, believe that Judge Fiore embodies the qualities we expect and deserve in our judicial officers. We urge the Commission to carefully consider the potential consequences of removing her from the bench and to recognize the immense value she brings to our community and our judicial system. Removing Judge Fiore would be perceived as a direct act against the will of the people of Nevada and a slap in

the face to the very principles the judicial system is meant to uphold.

We respectfully request that the Commission carefully consider our strong support for Judge Fiore and ensure that any decisions made are in the best interests of justice and the people of Nevada by immediately reinstating Judge Fiore to the bench.

Sincerely,

Paul Laramie/Latinos United for Conservative Action

From: Tina Larsen
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:06:13 PM

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Dear committee,

I am writing to ask that you allow Judge Fiore to remain Judge. Personally, I do not feel she was given due process. She has always been an asset to this community, and we are requesting that she remain in a judge position.

Warm regards,

Tina Larsen

From: Laura Cali
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:32:17 PM

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Dear Members of the Commission,

I wholeheartedly support Judge Michele Fiore and strongly urge you to put her back on the bench. She is a fair, dedicated, and principled judge who truly serves her community with integrity.

Sincerely,
Laura Cali

From: Henry Lujan
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:33:40 PM

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To whom it may concern/ I have known Michele Fiore since she was my Councilwoman at the city of Las Vegas. I am a Code Enforcement Officer with currently 28 years of service for the city of Las Vegas. Ms/Fiore has always been extremely professional, helpful and took care of her constituents as well as the city employees. It has been a privilege to work with her and to know her. Please put Ms/ Fiore back on the bench to take care of the citizens she will represent.

Sincerely,

Henry Lujan, MBA

From: Mel Bundy
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:29:02 PM

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I support Michele Fiore! As a former Nye County resident, put her back on the bench!

Sent from my iPhone

From: Nicole MacDonald
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore Back on the Bench - Yes
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:51:49 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing this email to ask the Judicial Commission to put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

She loves our state and people. I've known Michele a long time and I wholeheartedly support her. If you knew her, you wouldn't hesitate to put her back on the bench.

I understand it's a political world, but I hope you consider Michele. She is a kind person and works hard for the people. The does a fantastic job for us! A vote in favor of her is the right thing to do.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Best regards,
Nicole MacDonald



From: Yolanda Magley
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:26:55 PM

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Please put Judge Fiore back on the bench. She is an asset to our community.

Yolanda Magley
[redacted]

From: David Marlon
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Michele Fiore back on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:02:47 PM

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Michelle is a good judge and community member.

David Marlon, CPC-I, LADC-S, MBA, PsyD, SAP
Chief Executive Officer - Vegas Stronger
Southwestern Regional Vice President - NAADAC, the Association for Addiction Professionals

[redacted]

VegasStronger.org

From: Judy Maughan
To: Judicial Information
Subject: re: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:38:13 PM

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To whom is may concern,
I would like to offer my opinion on the decision to place Michelle Fiore back on the bench. I am not aware of any of the information in the case that got her suspended, but I have witnessed her as a judge. I was there to support an elderly friend of mine. My friend was the next to last case to be heard by Judge Fiore and so I was able to observe her handling of all of the cases ahead of us. I found her to be remarkably patient, thoughtful, and fair. She always offered her thoughts sound advice to the person she was talking to. I recall coming home and telling my husband what an impressive and fair judge she was. She listened carefully and gave very thoughtful decisions to each person there for a court date.
Thank you,
Judy Maughan

From: Jimmi Mckee
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:28:18 PM

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Good Afternoon,
Thank you for reading this. It is my heartfelt wish that Michele Fiore be put back on the bench where she belongs.
Judge Fiore did an exceptional job while on the bench making sure that everyone was given their due diligence and carefully executing the law without bias.
She deserves the opportunity to continue where she was before this tragic event took place..
We are thankful to have her back and hope that this takes affect immediately. She has been away far to long.

With sincere gratitude,

--
Jimmi Mckee-Realtor Broker
Reliable Realty
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[redacted]
jimmireliablerealtylv@gmail.com
"There are No Lions in our pathway, only Angels in Armor"

From:	Diana Mcnamara
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	The Honorable Michelle Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:10:27 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I have followed Michelle Fiore's career since she was an assembly woman.
She has been fighting for what is right and true ever since, even though there have been many that don't want to hear the truth.
She is an asset to Nye County and should be reinstated into her position.
Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Diana McNamara
[redacted]

From: Merriment
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:53:08 PM

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Elected by the people and given a clean slate please let her finish put her elected term
The people will again judge her next election

From: Walter Michaels
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:06:27 PM

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We support Judge Michele Fiore," "Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench" !

ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov
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From: Maria Miuccio
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:22:37 PM

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Put Judge Michelle Fiore back on bench . She is an AMAZING woman . I support her and you should too !
Maria Miuccio

[redacted]

From: terresa
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:45:03 PM

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Please put Michele Fiore back on the bench. We need judges like her who are dedicated to serving voters and upholding the law. Thank you. ... Terresa Monroe-Hamilton

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

From: Dorothy Moon
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:56:34 PM

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Dear Judicial Commission Members,

I am writing in regard to Michele Fiore's position as a Nevada Judge. I have worked with Judge Fiore as a member of the Republican National Committee. She was a tremendous asset within the National Party.
Thank you,
Chair Dorothy Moon
Idaho Republican Party

From: Theresa Moorhead
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore,
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:58:18 PM

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This is a letter on behalf of Judge Michele Fiore, She is an ethical and good judge and deserves to be put back on the bench!!! Please allow her to keep her job as Judge!!!

Theresa Moorhead, Las Vegas NV

From: JJM
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Return Judge Michelle Fiore to the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 10:58:36 PM

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Hello Judicial Commission members,

Judge Michelle Fiore was not disbarred for any wrongful activities so she should be returned to serve our community from her position on the bench.

Thank You,
John J Moran

From: AIC Corp
To: Judicial Information
Subject: In Full support of Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:11:30 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Katherine Morris, and I am writing in full support of Judge Michele Fiore. She is an elected judge in Nye County, has demonstrated her commitment to public service, and was fully pardoned by President Trump. I respectfully urge you to restore her to the bench and allow her to continue serving the people with integrity.

I am a resident of Mountain Falls.

Sincerely,
Katherine Morris

Would you like a few more versions to send from different people or angles?

Katherine Morris

From: Ramona Morrison
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore must have her position restored
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:51:51 PM

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To whom it may concern:

Judge Fiore has been the subject of a prosecutorial witch hunt wherein she was targeted with false allegations and misapplication of prosecutorial powers. I urge the Commission to take notice where abuses of power have occurred to destroy Fiore's reputation and livelihood and restore her to the bench.

Regards,

Ramona Morrison
[redacted]

From: Menashe Murad
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:51:51 PM

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Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore

Dear Commission Members,
I fully support Judge Michele Fiore and respectfully urge you to reinstate her to the bench. She has shown dedication to justice and deserves the opportunity to continue serving our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Menashe Murad

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From: Grayce Oakes
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:31:30 PM

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I support judge Michelle Fiore.
She needs to be reinstated back to the bench as a judge.

Sincerely yours,
Grayce Ruth Spencer

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From: Natalie Olsen
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Fiore back on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:44:41 PM

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Hi, my name is Natalie Olsen and Michele Fiore and I are good friends and I have known her for many years. She needs to be back on the bench where she belongs. I fully support her and would definitely put my own reputation on the line for her. I've also lived in Pahrump for many years and know many people here. I strongly suggest that you put back where she belongs.
Thank you,
Natalie Olsen

From: Christopher Palermo
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Judge Michele Fiore Back On The Bench Please.
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:08:28 PM

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Hello,

Writing to express my wish to keep and return Michele Fiore back to the bench here in Pahrump and allow her to continue to serve in the fair and compassionate manner which she previously has done for this community. Her years of public service which includes Las Vegas city council should also be taken into consideration.

Thank you,

Chris Palermo
Informed Pahrump, NV resident
Sent from my iPhone

From: Jeannie Paparone
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We need Michelle Fiore!
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:52:21 PM

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"We support Judge Michele Fiore," "Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench!

Jeannie Paparone IFBB Professional Bodybuilder/Personal Trainer [redacted]

From: jonpetrick3@gmail.com
To: Judicial Information
Subject: judge Michelle FIORE
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:59:23 PM

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Subject: Reinstate Judge Michele Fiore

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my full support for Judge Michele Fiore and urge the Commission to reinstate her to the bench. It is fundamentally unjust to punish someone for an offense that has already been officially pardoned. A pardon exists to acknowledge redemption, offer a fresh start, and clear the path forward—and Judge Fiore deserves exactly that.

She has dedicated herself to public service and continues to be a strong voice for the people of Nevada. Let us not allow past politics or personal agendas to override fairness and forgiveness. Reinstate Judge Michele Fiore and honor the spirit of justice and restoration.

Sincerely,
Dr. Jon Petrick, D.C.
2779 West Horizon Ridge Parkway
Suite 210
Henderson, Nevada 89052

From:	Stephanie Phillips
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Support for Michele Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:46:15 PM

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Nevada Judicial Discipline Commission

I am writing in support of Judge Michele Fiore. Given the recent full and unconditional pardon by the President of the United States, the Commission has a duty to administer fair and equal justice to all. Personal opinions do not have a place in this decision. Judge Fiore has been pardoned. There is no other choice in my opinion other than to restore her full pay and restore her position as Judge.

It is not lost on me there has seemingly been preferential treatment for some judges in this state by this body, in my opinion. You are all aware of one sitting Judge who, as a former prosecutor, is known to have withheld evidence that caused an innocent man to go to prison for nearly 21 years.
I think it is time to stop playing favorites, put your personal opinions aside and apply justice equally and fairly in this situation.

I urge the commission to do the right thing in restoring Judge Michele Fiore to the bench.

Thank you for your time.

Stephanie Phillips,
Political Director
Veterans in Politics

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Kindest Regards

Stephanie L. Phillips

Stephanie L. Phillips, Broker *#B.42586*

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From: David Preston
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:12:02 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

It has recently come to my attention that Judge Michele Fiore has received a full and unconditional pardon from President Donald J. Trump regarding all federal charges related to her recent case.

In June 2024, during the primary election, Judge Fiore received overwhelming support from voters and was duly elected as Judicial Judge for Courtroom B in Pahrump. I was proud to be one of the many supporters who cast my vote for her.

Judge Fiore has proven to be a fair and competent judge. Her dedication to justice, along with her strong connection to the community, has earned her the trust and admiration of many, including myself. She is respected not only as a judge but also as a person and a friend to her constituents.

In light of her pardon and the clear support she has from the voters of Pahrump, I respectfully request that her suspension be lifted immediately and that she be reinstated to her judicial position with full pay and benefits.

Sincerely,
David Preston Windham

Nye County Voter and resident of Pahrump, NV

[redacted]

From: Princepahrump
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:47:24 PM

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Michele received a pardon and deserves to be back on the bench. She is a great JP and should receive her position back.

Thank you,
Rita Prince

From: HOWARD QUIROZ
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:47:36 PM

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I support Judge Fiore and definitely want her back on the bench.

Thank you

Jesse Quiroz

From: ronda kpvm.tv
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:18:06 PM

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To whom it may concern:

This email is in support of putting Michele Fiore back on the bench. I have been a resident of Pahrump since 1994. I'm a co-owner of Kpvm television and Ace country radio.

Michele Fiore was overwhelmingly elected as an official to serve in our justice court and I believe the election results should stand. She has been pardoned, and there's no reason not to keep her on the bench.

Her work as a justice court judge was exemplary. It's clear she cares about each case and each individual that goes in front of her. She was not concerned about popular opinion, but she is concerned about people and justice with the highest concern of protecting our communities.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my opinion on this matter.

Ronda Van Winkle
VP KPVM TV/ Ace Country Radio
[redacted]

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From: Woodrow Reynolds
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michelle fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:24:14 PM

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I fully support judge Fiore on the bench

From:	Armed Forces Chamber
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Support letter for Judge Michele Fiore
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:48:26 PM
Attachments:	Michele Fiore Support Letter - AFC.pdf

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See attached.

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Sincerely,

LISA RICHARDS, *Customer Service Manager*
U.S. Marine Corps. Veteran
Email: info@ArmedForcesChamber.vet

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Thursday, 8 May 2025

Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline
P.O. Box 18123
Reno, NV 89511

RE: Judge Michele Fiore

Delivered via email: ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

To whom it may concern,

The Armed Forces Chamber proudly supports Judge Michele Fiore's return to the bench in Pahrump, NV, due to her unwavering advocacy for veterans and fair approach in adjudicating cases involving PTSD and TBI. Judge Fiore's commitment to understanding and addressing service-related issues ensures equitable treatment for veterans, reflecting her deep respect for their sacrifices and unique challenges. Her return strengthens judicial integrity and compassion within our community, aligning closely with our mission to uphold and protect the rights of those who have served our nation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Bradford Carlton
Board Member

From: Socrates Roussos
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:45:55 PM

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We the people have elected Michele Fiore to preside over our legal matters. We trust in her balance of all issues and need her to be reinstated. I ask that you place Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench as soon as possible.

Thank You,
Socrates Roussos

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:05:04 PM

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Dear Members of the Judicial Commission:

My name is Francis Rupp and I am writing this day regarding a review for Judge Michele Fiore.

I am a retired Chief of Police and I have been before numerous judges during my career and nobody wants to present a case before any member of the bench for whom there are any questions of integrity.

As such, I have no question regarding the integrity of Nye County Justice of the Peace, Michele Fiore. I have know her for more than 10 years and during that time I have NEVER had cause to question her integrity.

She has served her community well and during her time on the bench, Michele has responded to the needs of the people of Nye County, so much so, that she won her last election over a field of other very qualified candidates.

Michele Fiore will continue to represent the integrity of the bench and the community she serves.

It is my belief that her prosecution was more of a case of "Law-fare" than a legitimate criminal complaint. It strikes me as odd that she was prosecuted by a federal attorney who was instrumental in trying to prosecute the Bundy family, who were later acquitted because of a failure by the prosecution to disclose exculpatory evidence. This is the same Bundy family that Michele Fiore went to bat for, because she could see there were issues of federal overreach. Do you suppose that those officials, who got their faces rubbed in poop, could harbor a grudge?

My question is: Why was Michele not charged under Nevada Revised Statutes and tried in a state court?

Michele Fiore is perfectly capable of representing the people of Nye County with honor and distinction. She will continue to respect the office she holds and preserve the oath she took without question of ethics or integrity.

I strongly urge you to return Michele Fiore to the bench in Nye County. Let the people she represents decide her fate during the next election cycle.

Respectfully Submitted,

Francis A. Rupp
Chief of Police, Retired

From: Sandra Fedel
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:16:14 PM

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Please keep Michele on the bench. She really loved the work she was doing and believed she was making a difference.
Sandra Fedel
Sent from my iPhone

From: Deborah Jordan
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Statement Of Support For Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:12:47 PM

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To members of this Judicial Commission and Whom it may concern;

It is with great pleasure that I write to you today in support of Michele Fiore. I have never met a more dedicated Public Servant deserving of being on the Bench, than She. It is my prayer that this Commission overcomes and rises above any political agenda and the pressure it may be placing upon this body, and reinstate Michele Fiore to the Seat the people in your community voted for her to occupy.

Sincerely,

Deborah Jordan Santilli

From: Heather Saunders
To: Judicial Information
Subject: I support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:38:02 PM

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Hi,

I HIGHLY support Judge Michele Fiore!!! She is a hard worker and always has put her job first. She is also an amazing person! Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench!

Thank you,
Heather Saunders

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From: Veronica Scala
To: Judicial Information
Subject: JUDGE FIORE
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:09:17 PM

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Hello. I support Judge Michele Fiore. Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

Respectfully,
Veronica Scala
[redacted]

From:	Kathy Schweiger
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Please let Judge Michele Flore get back to her life
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:22:06 PM

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Judge Flore was pardoned by President Trump. Please let her get back to her life. She obviously was doing something right to be elected as Judge after she was originally appointed.

Thank you for your time,

Dave Schweiger
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From: Yonatan Segal
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Subject: Support for Judge Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:29:48 PM

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Subject: Support for Judge Fiore

To Whom It May Concern,
Judge Michele Fiore has earned the trust of many in our community. I stand with her and urge you to reinstate her to her rightful position.

From: John L. Sillasen
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 7:05:49 PM

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Restore all her rights.

From: James Smack
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Flore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:22:58 PM

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Please reinstate the elected Justice of the Peace for Nye County. She has been pardoned and should be able to resume the term of office she was elected to hold.

The voters of Nye County have spoken and if they do not feel she should continue to be their elected Justice of the Peace, they have the right to decide otherwise in the next election.

Sincerely,
James Smack
[redacted]

From: Blake Smith
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Strong Support for Judge Michele Fiore's Reinstatement
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 8:51:52 PM

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Dear Judicial Commission,
I am writing to wholeheartedly endorse Judge Michele Fiore and respectfully urge her reinstatement to the bench. Her unwavering commitment to justice, exemplary service, and integrity make her an invaluable asset to our judicial system. Please recognize her dedication and restore her to her rightful position.
Sincerely,
Blake E Smith
Pahrump NV

From: Tony Shelton
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore needs to be back on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:31:58 PM

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Shelly Shelton and I have had the privilege of serving with Michelle in the Mevada Legislature. She has consistently served Nevada with all her heart and being. We urge you to return her to the bench where she can continue to do so.

Thank you

Tony Shelton and Shelly Shelton.

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Supporting Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:25:19 PM

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I sending this in my support for Judge Michele Fiore.
Please, put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

Respectfully,
Oskar Thorbjornsson

Sent with Proton Mail secure email.

From: Mitch T
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support Judge Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:51:22 PM

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To Whom It May Concern;

Myself as others support Judge Michelle Fiore. Judge Fiore is an asset to the justice system and the bench. Judge Fiore always served her community with high integrity and honor.

Mitchell Tracy

From: ed uehling
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Michelle Fiore back on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:46:40 PM

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While one can still debate over the motivations for attacking Ms. Fiore and the facts of her case, there has been no dispute about the quality of her performance on the bench. One cannot say that about every other judge in the state—and in contrast just look at the First District judges totally beholden to State agencies regardless of the facts and those of the 8th District which can't do enough to guarantee political contributions from our Wall Street casinos.

In this environment Michelle Fiore is literally a precious jewel. Please uplift the status of our State Justice system be allowing her to complete her term and then letting the people of Nye County decide about her worthiness.

Thank you.

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From: videovern kpvm.tv
To: Judicial Information
Cc: videovern kpvm.tv
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:55:00 PM

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To: ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov

Subject: Support for Reinstating Michele Fiore

To Whom It May Concern,

As a broadcaster with 28 years of experience in Southern Nevada and a member of the Nevada Broadcasters Association Board, I have had the opportunity to observe and interact with Michele Fiore over the years. In my experience, she has always conducted herself in a fair and reasonable manner.

In today's climate, it is all too common for individuals to be judged harshly and prematurely without the benefit of full context or complete information. This often leads to an inaccurate and unjust portrayal of a person's character. I believe this is the unfortunate situation in Michele Fiore's case.

Michele has been granted a pardon by the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump. This should be given due consideration. I am reminded of the biblical story in which Jesus says, "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." While I am not suggesting Michele has committed any wrongdoing, I do believe that the scrutiny she is under is more reflective of a personal attack than an objective evaluation.

I respectfully urge the Commission to consider the full scope of Michele Fiore's service, her pardon, and her consistent professionalism. I believe

she should be reinstated to the bench without delay.

Sincerely,

Vernon Van Winkle
President/CEO
KPVM Television, inc
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From: Jody Wallace
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 6:00:14 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to strongly recommend Michelle Fiore for a return to the bench to which she was elected to serve.

I have known Michelle personally for some time, and I have also been familiar with her work for many years. Throughout that time, I have always known her to be honest, hard-working, and deeply committed to serving her constituents with integrity and dedication.

When Michelle served as a city councilwoman, she represented the district where my sister resides. According to my sister, no one had ever worked harder for the community than Michelle did during her time in office. She consistently went above and beyond to address the needs of the people she represented.

I believe Michelle Fiore's experience, work ethic, and unwavering dedication make her an excellent candidate to return to the bench. I sincerely hope you will consider reinstating her to this important position.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Jody Wallace



From: alexandria warner
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michelle Flore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:50:57 PM

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PUT MICHELLE BACK ON THE BENCH!!!!! She is the best person for the job. Nevada needs her!

Sent from my iPhone

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Regarding Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:45:14 PM

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We support Judge Michele Fiore - please put her back on the bench!

From:	Betsy Whipple
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Put Michele Fiore back on the bend
Date:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:17:55 PM
Attachments:	image001.png

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To whom it may concern:

I wish to express my support for Michel Fiore. I support her and the journey she has endured to maintain peace and safety for her community and to clear her name. I applaud President Trump and question the integrity of the individuals trying to second guess our President's decision to fully pardon her.

Please know that there is a large community of supporters there are closely monitoring the judicial process as it relates to Michele Fiore.

Put her back on the bench.

Betsy L. Whipple

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From: jarkylwhite
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 3:40:35 PM

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I support Judge Michele Fiore," "Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench, a presidential pardon means alot! It's the law of the land.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: dana wildes
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support of returning Judge Michele Fiore back to her seat on the bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:59:12 PM

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To whom it may concern:

This letter will serve as my written request to return Michele Fiore to her position as judge immediately. The President of our country pardoned her in full, and we must respect his decision and act accordingly.

I thank you for your time and attention to this matter soonest.

Most sincerely,

Dana A Wildes

From: Kristina Wildeveld Esq.
To: Judicial Information; Kristina Wildeveld Esq.
Subject: Demand for Michele Fiore"s Return to the Bench
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:20:43 PM

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To Whom it May Concern -

Michele Fiore's return to the bench would be a testament to both her qualifications that were originally recognized when she was elected and her resilience that she has always exhibited. A seasoned public servant, with a deep understanding of how the law works and with an unwavering commitment to justice, she brings an invaluable experience to the courtroom which is only made more valuable by her experience. She has already proven her ability to be a fair and impartial jurist. Her pardon, however, reflects the growing recognition that political motivations have no place for fair judgement and the government should not be weaponized against its own citizens. Now, vindicated and restored, she stands ready to once again serve with integrity and strength. Her return would mark not just a personal victory but also a step toward restoring public trust in our institutions and neither that return nor her back pay while she had to fight these charges should be taken from her.

In advance, thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

- KristinaWildeveld, Esq.

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From: Corey Zemelman
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Subject: Reinstate Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 2:28:31 PM

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Subject: Reinstate Judge Michele Fiore

Dear Judicial Commission,
Please return Judge Michele Fiore to the bench. She has my full support and is exactly the kind of strong, fair judge we need.

Corey Zemelman

From: Yudith Thorbjornsson
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:20:45 PM

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We support Judge Michele Fiore. Please, put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

Respectfully,
Yudith Thorbjornsson
Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device
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From: Jennifer Applegate
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 9:37:27 AM

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We support Judge Michele Fiore. Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench.

Thank you so much!

From: Jean Grant
To: Judicial Information
Subject: I support Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 1:14:45 AM

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To whom it may concern;
Michele Fiore has my support and should be back on the bench as a judge.
Thank you.
Respectfully,
Jean Armstrong
Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Porter Bloch
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 7:52:34 PM

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Please put judge Michele Fiore back on the bench. She is a honorable women and deserves to have her job back to serve the community.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [redacted]
To: Judicial Information
Subject: re: Michele Fiore hearing today, May 9th
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 8:25:26 AM

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To the Members of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline:

Our justice system is not perfect, but a pardon, by its very nature, is final.

Throughout history, pardons have been granted in many controversial cases: for a president, draft dodgers, a half-brother, and most recently, family members.

Michele was elected by the people, and ultimately, it is the voters who have the power to hold her accountable.

I respectfully ask you to reinstate Michele Fiore to her position as Justice of the Peace.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jerry Dorchuck

From: Edwin Goedhart
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Retention of Michele Fiore as Nye County Justice of the Peace
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 10:02:13 AM

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Please vote to retain (return to the bench) Ms Fiore as Nye County Justice of the Peace.
She has been a dedicated public servant in several different elected capacities over the last fifteen years .
Ms.Fiore has been an asset to the justice system and has run her court with grace, humility and efficiency, while chewing through a backlogged court docket.
She has demonstrated herself to be a skilled courtroom administrator as well as a knowledgeable judge.
Ms.Fiore has already been re-elected subsequent to the various charges being brought against her.
The citizens of Nye County recognize government lawfare when they see it and realize that the weaponized federal DOJ had Ms Fiore as a target since her support of the Bundy family.
Ms Fiore has received an unconditional presidential pardon and deserves and is eligible to continue her public service from the bench… and we here in Nye County need her ability and compassion in the role of Justice of rue Peace.

Sincerely,
Edwin Goedhart
27 year Nye County resident
Former Nevada Assemblyman
Sent from my iPhone

From: Jay Hackett
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 1:21:16 PM

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Please put Michele back on the bench. She is an honest person that serves America.

Jay Hackett

[redacted]

Sent from my mobile phone.
Please excuse any typographical or spell check errors.

From: Shandie Johnson
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 7:14:46 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in regards to Michele Fiore. I was able to spend some time with Michele and found her to be honest, intelligent, kind, and determined.

I believe Michele is someone who has the knowledge and life experiences to be fair and impartial as a Judge.

Thank you,
Shandie Johnson
Sent from my iPhone

From: Dan Magley
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Retain Judge Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 6:29:15 AM

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To whom it may concern:

Please retain Judge Fiore on the Pahrump Justice Court Bench.
She is a value to our community.

Daniel Magley
[redacted]

Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS

From: Christine Murphy
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Letter for Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 10:38:37 AM
Attachments: We support Judge Michele Fiore.pdf

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Thank you,

Christine Murphy

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We support Judge Michele Fiore. Pahrump has a shortage of good judges. In light of recent circumstances, the fair thing is to reinstate Judge Michele Fiore as we know her to be a good and fair Judge.

Thank you, Ronnie & Christine Murphy

From: laura riffel
To: Judicial Information
Subject: michelle fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 5:36:42 AM

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The state of Nevada is in need of excellent representation. Please allow MICHELLE FIORE to resume her position as Judge. She was making a wonderful difference and I'm sure we'll continue to do an excellent job

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From: Daniel Slepnyov
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 7:40:37 PM

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Please put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench. She is an honorable woman who deserves to serve again. She is a woman of integrity, professionalism, and exhibits a strong dedication to justice. Her work has left a lasting impact on the community, and I believe her continued service would greatly benefit the court and the public.

From: Tiffany Staggs
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 7:03:34 AM

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Put her back on the bench , we support Michele Fiore !

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From: Hamza Joudeh
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We support Judge Michele Fiore,"
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 12:25:30 PM

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"Put Judge Michele Fiore back on the bench she is the best"

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From: Sa Li
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Reiterating my support for Michele Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 12:02:02 PM

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Dear Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline,

This is Santino Licavoli again. I just wanted to follow up and reiterate my strong support for Judge Michele Fiore. She must stay on the board. Her voice and presence are important, and she continues to have my full backing.

Thank you for your time,
Santino Licavoli

From: S L
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 11:51:20 AM

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Dear Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline,

I just wanted to say that I fully support Judge Michele Fiore. Please put her back on the bench, she's someone we believe in and trust.

Sincerely,
Santino Licavoli

From: RedEagle Politics
To: Judicial Information
Subject: We support Judge Michele Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 11:57:36 AM

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I believe Judge Michele Fiore has served with dedication and fairness. Please bring her back to the bench. She has the support of many of us.

Warmly,
Paul Morrissey

From: Bob Parr
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Please reinstate Judge Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 11:53:22 AM

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Dear Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline,

I'm writing to share my support for Judge Michele Fiore. She deserves to be back on the bench, and I hope you'll do what's right by reinstating her.

Thank you for your time.

Bob Parr

From: Tony Rainger
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Support for Michele Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 12:10:41 PM

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Dear Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline,

My name is Tony Rainger, and I want to express my strong support for Judge Michele Fiore. She should remain on the board. We need leaders like her who aren't afraid to stand firm and speak up.

Thank you,
Tony Rainger

From: Roman Slepnyov
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Michele Fiore
Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 11:59:05 AM

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Judge Michele Fiore deserves to have her judgeship back. She is an honorable woman who exemplifies the qualities of a great and just person. Restoring her judgeship will be a benefit for the law and for justice!
Thank you

From: Main email
To: Judicial Information
Subject: Put Michele Fiore back on the bench now
Date: Monday, May 12, 2025 8:54:37 PM

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Michele Fiore should, without equivocation, be restored to her rightful position on the bench.

Ralph Charles Burger
20 year Las Vegas, Nevada resident

From:	Beth Miranda
To:	Judicial Information
Subject:	Michele Fiore
Date:	Monday, May 12, 2025 3:59:19 PM

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We love Michele! Hey no nonsense approach to life and get duties are appreciated. Please get her back on the bench.

Bethany Miranda

[redacted]

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of:	:	
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THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,	:	Case No. 2024-ADM-02
	:	
	:	
Respondent.		

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FRIDAY, MAY 9TH, 2025

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FRIDAY, MAY 9TH, 2025, 12:07 P.M.

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THE COURT: Good afternoon, everybody. This meeting is being called to order. It is May 9th, and this is the time and date set for the public meeting for the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline for the Honorable Judge Michele Fiore in Case No. 2024-ADM-02. This is regarding Notice of Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension with Salary of Judge Fiore as a Result of Her Recent Pardon.

And with that, I'll turn it over to Nancy Scheihans for the rollcall.

MS. SCHEIHANS: For clarity's sake, as I take the roll, I will ask that you consent to the recording of this Zoom meeting.

And with that, I will start with Commission Chair Stefanie Humphrey?

CHAIR HUMPHREY: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Commissioner Vice-Chair John Krmpotic?

VICE-CHAIR KRMPOTIC: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Presiding Officer Karl Armstrong?

MR. ARMSTRONG: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Justice of the Peace Kendra Bertschy?

JUDGE BERTSCHY: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Commissioner Patricia Halstead?

COMMISSIONER HALSTEAD: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Commissioner Joe Sanford?

COMMISSIONER SANFORD: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Justice of the Peace Barbara Schifalacqua?

JUDGE SCHIFALACQUA: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Commission Executive Director and General Counsel Paul Deyhle?

MR. DEYHLE: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Commission Senior Associate Counsel Dominka Batten?

MS. BATTEN: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Commission Senior Associate Counsel Tom Wilson?

MR. WILSON: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Clerk to the Commission Valerie Carter?

MS. CARTER: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Clerk to the Commission Kadie Seghieri?

MS. SEGHIERI: Here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Respondent Michele Fiore?

MS. ARMENI: Paola Armeni on behalf of Judge Fiore, who is present in my office with me. And I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Thank you.

Court reporter, Erin Ferretto?

THE REPORTER: I'm here, and I consent.

MS. SCHEIHANS: Thank you.

And I am Clerk to the Commission Nancy Scheihans.

And with that, I will turn it over to the Presiding Officer, Karl Armstrong.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Please take notice that this is the time set for the public hearing on the matter in terms of a notice of a suspension hearing and notice of the Commission's intent to suspend with salary.

At this hearing, the Commission will determine whether a suspension order entered April 14, 2025, is still warranted following the Presidential Pardon; and, if not, to determine whether the Respondent poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice based upon United States

vs. Michele Fiore, 2:24-cr-155. See NRS 1.4675.

Pursuant to NRS 1.4675, the Commission, by seven days of notice of intent to suspend with salary had an opportunity to respond. This is the time in which that response will take place.

The Commission has received the following exhibits to consider in their deliberations. The Superseding Criminal Indictment; certified trial transcripts from Judge Fiore's federal criminal trial; a certified copy of the Jury Verdict; a Motion for Judgment of Acquittal; Reply to the Motion for Judgment of Acquittal; Motion for New Trial and Reply to Motion for New Trial; Order Denying Motions for Acquittal and New Trial; and emails sent to the Commission from the public in favor and in opposition to Judge Fiore returning to the bench.

From what I understand, they are a sampling of the emails and correspondence that has been submitted both for and against reinstatement of Judge Fiore, and the Commission will consider that as part of the evidence that they will be reviewing in closed session relative to this case.

Is there any motion or anything of that nature to come before the Commission before Judge Fiore and her counsel address the Commission?

With that being said, the floor is yours, Ms. Armeni.

MS. ARMENI: Thank you, Mr. Armstrong.

And I just would ask that the amount of letters that were in favor for Ms. Fiore be part of the public record at some point. I know that also I submitted character letters. I apologize if they're duplicative of some of the emails that you received because I wasn't sure who was going to have time to do emails.

I will proffer that the letters were for sentencing and that I did ask some of those letter writers if I could use them in the Commission and they authorized that. So I just want to preface that, when they're written for Judge Dorsey that is why.

But thank you for the opportunity to address this honorable Commission. As I've stated, my name is Paulo Armeni and I have the honor of representing Judge Michele Fiore.

As Mr. Armstrong laid out, the question before you today is whether the suspension order is still warranted, and I submit that it is not. And to the extent that any additional suspension continues, I submit that it would exceed this Commission's jurisdiction and would be an abuse of discretion.

Let me start first with the pardon. A pardon breaches both the punishment and the proscribed offense -- excuse me -- both the punishment and the proscribed offense and the guilt of the offender when the pardon is full. It releases the punishment and blots out the existence of guilt. That is from Ex Parte Garland, 71 US 333, an 1866 case from our United States Supreme Court.

That is also the same law in the State of Nevada in State vs. Demuch [phonetic], a full pardon effectively removes all penalties and disqualifications arising from a conviction, even though the conviction itself remains on the record. This was an unconditional, full pardon by the President of the United States who exercised his authority pursuant to our United States Constitution.

Originally, when this Commission suspended Ms. Fiore -- Judge Fiore, you did so with salary, and that was pursuant to the initial indictment and there wasn't much challenge with that. Thereafter, when the jury verdict came about, the Commission then exercised its authority under NRS 1.4675, subsection (2), subsection (b), when a jury found her guilty. In doing so, you have seen me several times, or my colleague Ms. Marina, come before you every 60 days where there's a

discussion whether we're going to rescind and reinstate the suspension without salary.

And when the Commission has done that, on several occasions in their order they have specifically said that there has been no change in circumstance and a formal statement of charges is premature because she's yet to be sentenced. So that puts us in this situation that we are here today, and we'll talk about some of the other factors but that puts us in question today of when does this end?

The Commission can no longer issue, rescind and reinstate based on this conviction based on the pardon. So we're in a situation that there will never be a sentencing and there will never be a judgment of conviction based on the timing of the pardon.

Then we move on to the second portion, which I think the Commission has taken the position that if the pardon -- the Presidential Pardon doesn't work here, well, we can look at another avenue for Judge Fiore to maybe suspend her, and that's when we talk about the substantial threat of serious harm. I submit to this Commission, and I want to read a quote, quote:

The Commission only has jurisdiction over misconduct committed while serving

as a judge. Therefore, the Commission could not pursue alleged infractions committed in a previous capacity.

End quote.

This was an official statement by the Judicial Discipline Commission back on June 19, 2019, to the Nevada Current when asked whether the Judicial Commission would take action against some judges that were former prosecutors and their behavior while they were a prosecutor. The Commission went on to say:

Bar counsel, the ABA is not the law in Nevada.

Quote, the Commission responded.

So the Commission itself has put out that they do not have jurisdiction when somebody is not a sitting judge. NRS 1.440, subsection (2)(b) talks about the Commission's jurisdiction as a result of an act or omission that occurs on and after the date on which the judge enters upon the duties of office.

So why is this important? Because the six-month period that is subject to all the documents that you have received that are supposed to be important to this matter today are based on conduct that occurred July 2019 through February 2020, a six-month period. At that time,

Michele Fiore was an elected political official and, as we know, political officials are not subjected to the judicial rules -- the judicial canons. The judicial canons would not have applied to Michele Fiore in July of 2019 and February of 2020.

There is nothing before this Commission about her conduct as a judge. Nothing. And to allow the Commission to go back almost five years later and look at her actions five years later when she was not subject to judicial canons, she was not sitting on the bench, is dangerous. It's dangerous precedent. And it circumvents not only the Presidential Pardon but the use of this conduct that is not related to her being a judge at all. And, frankly, if that's the precedent that this Commission takes, that should put every sitting judge in a position that they are terrified that at some point in time, the Commission will say, years before you even thought about becoming a judge, we're going to look at that conduct that you did and now it's subject to judicial discipline.

So I submit to this Commission, there is no jurisdiction to use the accusations in the federal criminal case against Ms. Fiore as a basis to suspend her.

Lastly, the Commission, I think -- and, frankly, I didn't want to address this but I wanted to make sure I cover all the bases -- the jurisdiction of the court -- if the Commission finds there is no jurisdiction, I don't even think we get to this next section, but I will touch on it, which is the substantial threat of serious harm.

We are now ten months after the initial order of suspension. For the first time in those ten months, we now have a new subsection that Ms. Fiore is subject to, which is 1.4675 subsection (4). In that subsection, it talks about a pending -- the pending final disposition of the complaint. I have not seen a complaint in this case related to anything other than the United States District Court case, so I would submit that this section doesn't even apply.

But even so, if we want to take a look at substantial threat of serious harm, let me start here. In a federal case -- and I apologize that some of you already know this -- the Bail Reform Act is what is responsible for determining whether somebody is released or detained in a federal case. Part of that analysis, similar to state court, is are they a danger to the community?

In this case, Judge Fiore wasn't arrested, a

summons was issued. She was given a personal recognizance. The government did not request her detention at the time that she came before the court initially on her arraignment. After she was convicted by the jury, the government did not ask for detention. Those all show on its face that she is not a danger to the community.

Again, looking at a very pointed time period, which is a six-month period, to rely on this six-month period of alleged bad behavior or bad conduct would ignore all the good she has done in her years of public service.

Now, Mr. Deyhle was kind enough to share some of the negative comments that were received by the Judicial Commission yesterday, and I appreciate that, but I would ask you to be very careful in reviewing those and be skeptical, if not, of who is making those requests about not allowing Judge Fiore to get back on the bench, and this is why.

For one example, Molly Taylor wrote an email to the Judicial Commission. Molly Taylor led the Expel Michele Fiore recall effort years ago. She was actually charged with violating a misdemeanor, NRS 3. -- 306.015 and there was no evidence of violation by Ms. Fiore. So

that is just one person that you received a letter for that has now a negative effect.

I don't know how many letters were submitted, I know I was copied on some of them, and I was told by others they wrote them. I want to remind you that back when I stood in front of you in October, all the Nye County Commissioners were in favor of Ms. Fiore and still very supportive of her, despite the accusations. Two of them, I understand, have since sent another email to the Judicial Commission in support of her. And I would ask you to look at the letters that really -- from the people that actually know her, the character letters that you received, people that have known her for years and know who she is. The six months of bad conduct should not blemish her and have you guys decide that she's a substantial risk to the community.

So let's talk about it. I know in the order from Judge Dorsey and in the media a lot of it is about all the affluent people that came in and testified during her trial. Well, I submit that you're going to have some letters from other affluent people, people that have shown great support for Michele Fiore during this time. Those include Bob Coffin, who said she is one of the hardest working public officials he's ever known.

Community outreach efforts were unparalleled. Former Mayor Jan Jones Blackhurst, who stated all the good she has done and doing the right thing for her constituents in her community. Tick Segerblom, Ricki Barlow, those are just some of the names of the people in our community that everybody thinks very highly of that also continue to support Judge Fiore.

Those are some people but there are plenty of other people like you and I that are just in the community that have seen the good that she has done that wanted to express support for her, and you have all that.

What you don't see is other things that Michele Fiore has done. She's the person that puts the tiny touch on her communication and the relationships with the people in her community, whether that's birthday cards to the people in her ward, thank you notes, personally handwritten thank you notes to the firefighters of Las Vegas Fire and Rescue for their years of service.

She's opened her home for pasta nights for her community to come in and eat with her. She's hosted Christmas events, Fourth of July, Easter egg hunts for events for families, all when she was in Ward 6 when all this conduct happened.

Back-to-school drives, food during COVID, these

are all the things that she has done for this community. It's easy to focus on a small blip of negative and have people run with that, but I would submit to this Commission that a fourth of her service to her community is more than most people will ever do in their lifetime. A fourth.

Judge Fiore has been suspended for ten months now already. There's no basis to continue her suspension and we ask that it is rescinded.

Thank you for your time and I'm happy to answer any questions.

MR. ARMSTRONG: Thank you for that submittal. At this time, the Commission will go into private session in order to deliberate on this matter. We thank you for your presentation and we will let you know once we have made a decision. Thank you.

MS. ARMENI: Thank you.

MR. ARMSTRONG: This public session is now adjourned.

(At 12:17 p.m., the Commission adjourned.)

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,
Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township
Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 90650

CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER (1) RESCINDING RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(4)

I hereby certify that the document attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the ORDER (1) RESCINDING RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(4) filed with the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline on May 19, 2025.

DATED this 19th day of May, 2025.

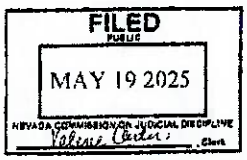
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA



In the Matter of

THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02
CASE NO. 2025-108

ORDER (1) RESCINDING RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(4)

Pursuant to prior written notice, the above-entitled matter was set for a public hearing before the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("Commission") on May 9, 2025. The hearing was conducted via Simultaneous Audiovisual Transmission utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and was available to the public live via YouTube. Respondent was represented by Paola Armeni, Esq. During the hearing, the Commission considered all evidence and testimony presented.

On October 3, 2024, a federal jury found Respondent guilty of one count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349) and six counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1343), all felonies. On October 21, 2024, the Commission entered an order suspending Respondent from the exercise of judicial office without salary. Respondent's sentencing date, originally set for January 6, 2025, was continued three times at Respondent's request for her to file motions for acquittal and for a new trial. As a result, the Commission rescinded and reinstated Respondent's suspension without salary three times on December 18, 2024, February 14, 2025, and April 14, 2025, pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and Procedural Rules of the Judicial Discipline Commission ("PRJDC") 9.6(C)(ii).

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According to the district court's docket, Respondent's final sentencing date was scheduled for May 14, 2025. On April 18, 2025, U.S. District Court Judge Jennifer Dorsey entered an order Denying Respondent's Motions for Acquittal and for a New Trial, finding the evidence introduced at trial supported the jury's verdict. On April 23, 2025, prior to the imposition of sentence but after all post-trial motions were adjudicated, Respondent was granted a "full and unconditional pardon" from the President of the United States. Consequently, on April 28, 2025, Judge Dorsey vacated the federal sentencing date. Although no dismissal order was filed, the district court's docket entries now list the criminal case as closed.

Since the date of the presidential pardon, the Commission has received additional complaints against Respondent. On April 24, 2025, Respondent's counsel requested the Commission rescind Respondent's suspension and reinstate her to the bench. Before the Commission, therefore, is Respondent's request that the Commission rescind her suspension without salary and issues relating to Respondent's reinstatement to the bench pending disposition of the additional complaints.

I. DECISION

The Nevada Constitution, the Nevada Revised Statutes, and the Commission's procedural rules provide the Commission with discretionary authority to suspend sitting judges. Specifically, Article 6, Section 21(9) of the Nevada Constitution permits the Commission to use discretion and "suspend a justice or judge from the exercise of his office pending the determination of the proceedings before the Commission." NRS 1.4675(2)(b) permits suspension *without* pay if the judge is found guilty of a state or federal felony while NRS 1.4675(4) permits suspension *with* pay pending the disposition of the complaint if the judge poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice. PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii) further provides that if the Commission imposes discretionary suspension "and the circumstances justifying the Commission's previous decision to suspend the judge still exist after sixty days, the Commission may rescind and immediately reinstate the suspension[.]"

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A pardon may close a criminal case related to an ethical complaint against the judge, but it does not preclude the Commission from considering a judge's ongoing conduct as it may relate to the conviction to determine the judge's potential violation of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct ("NCJC"). *See, e.g., In re Sang Man Shin*, 125 Nev. 100, 105-10, 206 P.3d 91, 94-97 (2009) ("adopt[ing] the reasoning of...cases limiting the scope of a pardon," retreating from the Nevada Supreme Court's "prior decisions...to the extent that they imply that a pardon blots out guilt and erases the historical fact of the underlying conviction," and providing that *Carlesi v. New York*, 233 U.S. 51, 34 S.Ct. 576 (1914), "impliedly indicates that the offender's pardon did not completely erase all the attendant consequences and considerations following the fact of conviction").[1]

1. RESPONDENT'S CURRENT SUSPENSION WITHOUT SALARY IS NO LONGER WARRANTED.

The Commission suspended Respondent without pay following the jury's conviction and continued the suspension pending resolution of Respondent's post-trial motions and sentencing. Respondent argues *Ex Parte Garland*, 71 U.S. 333, 380 (1866) (providing that "a pardon reaches both the punishment prescribed for the offense and the guilt of the offender"), divests the Commission from the jurisdiction to suspend Respondent. While courts have considerably narrowed *Garland*'s broad scope since it was decided in 1866,[2] generally, courts have held that a state cannot punish the pardoned

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[1] *See also Hirschberg v. CFTC*, 414 F.3d 679, 681 (7th Cir. 2005) (providing that the Commodity Futures Trading Commission "did not violate the pardon clause by considering the conduct underlying Hirschberg's conviction in determining whether he was qualified to do business as a floor trader, because its decision was grounded in protection of the public rather than in punishing Hirschberg as a convicted felon"); *United States v. Nasser*, 476 F.2d 1111, 1117 (1973) (providing that "where there is a sufficiently rational relationship between the past activity and the public interest in excluding unworthy people, the disqualification is not a punishment"); *Carlesi*, 233 U.S. 51, 59 (1914) (finding that the presidential pardon did not prevent the state from considering the pardoned offense under a state statute permitting enhanced sentencing upon the commission of a second offense).

[2] *See Shin*, 125 Nev. at 110, 206 P.3d at 97 (providing that based upon the U.S. Supreme Court's reasoning in "*Angle v. Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Co., United States v. Wilson, Burdick v. United States*, and *Carlesi v. New York*, **we conclude that the U.S. Supreme Court has *sub silentio* retreated from *Garland's* sweeping articulation of the pardoning power**" (emphasis added) and that "[t]he United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in *Bjerkan v. United States*, 529 F.2d 125, 128 n. 2 (7th Cir.1975), the Third Circuit in *U.S. v. Noonan*, 906 F.2d 952, 958, 960 (3d Cir.1990), the District of Columbia Circuit in *In re North*, 62 F.3d 1434, 1437 (D.C.Cir.1994), and the Ninth Circuit in *Groseclose v. Plummer*, 106 F.2d 311, 313 (9th Cir.1939), as well as the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas in *Dixon v. McMullen*, 527 F.Supp. 711, 718 (N.D.Tex.1981), **have all reached a similar conclusion and held that *Garland's* recitation of the power was noncontrolling dictum**") (emphasis added); *see also* Walter Dellinger,

offender for the conviction that was pardoned. *See Bjerkan v. United States*, 529 F.2d 125, 129 (7th Cir. 1975). Accordingly, as the district court judge closed the criminal matter, *United States v. Fiore*, the Commission rescinds Respondent's suspension without pay. *See* NRS 1.4675(2)(b) and PRJDC 9.6(C)(ii).

2. RESPONDENT POSES A SUBSTANTIAL THREAT OF SERIOUS HARM TO THE PUBLIC AND TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

As noted above, since the pardon, the Commission has received additional complaints against Respondent. The second issue before the Commission is Respondent's status as a judicial officer pending disposition of those complaints.

NRS 1.4675(4) provides that the Commission may suspend a judge "with salary pending a final disposition of the complaint if the Commission determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the judge poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public or to the administration of justice." In *In re Halverson*, the Nevada Supreme Court reviewed the Commission's suspension power pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4) and held that the "power to suspend...is an express aspect of the Commission's duty to protect the public upon an investigation revealing a current, emergent threat to the judiciary." 123 Nev. at 514, 169 P.3d at 1175 (2007). An interim suspension "is warranted only to protect against anticipated future harm, including harm to the public's perception of the judicial system, and not merely to redress past misconduct"; however, the Commission may consider "evidence of past conduct that would indicate an ongoing problem...to predict future conduct[.]" *Id.* at 512, 1174. In "determining whether a current threat exists, the Commission should consider the totality of the circumstances based on the information available to it." *Id.* at 497, 1165. It is not a matter of guilt or innocence, but "a determination that an interim suspension is warranted to protect the integrity of the judiciary pending

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Effects of a Presidential Pardon, 19 U.S. Op. Off. Legal Counsel 160, 1995 WL 861618 (June 19, 1995) (internal citation omitted):

> In *Garland* the Court stated that a pardon makes "the offender . . . as innocent as if he had never committed the *offense*." (emphasis added). We do not interpret this to mean that the pardon creates the fiction that the *conduct* never took place. Rather, a pardon represents the Executive's determination that the offender should not be penalized or punished for the offense. There may be instances where an individual's conduct constitutes not only a federal offense, but also a violation of a separate code of conduct or ethics that the individual is obligated to comply with by virtue of his or her professional license. Discipline associated with the breach of the conditions of a professional license, where the disciplinary action is not triggered merely by the fact of commission or conviction of a federal offense, generally would not be barred by a pardon.

resolution of the case." *Id.* at 510, 1173.

Here, the evidence of Respondent's dishonesty and retention of funds maintained under false pretenses "reveal[s] a current, emergent threat to the judiciary" and requires the Commission to impose interim suspension "to protect against anticipated future harm, including harm to the public's perception of the judicial system" pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4). *See Halverson,* 123 Nev. at 512, 514, 169 P.3d at 1174, 1175. Specifically, Respondent's continuing deceit of the charitable donors and her unjust enrichment at the expense of the slain police officer statue[3] harms the public's perception of the judicial system and its confidence in the system's legitimacy, creates the appearance of impropriety, reflects adversely on Respondent's honesty and character, and undermines her ability to impose justice and to apply the law fairly.[4] *See id.* at 511-12, 1174. This is illustrated with e-mails from members of the general public calling into question Respondent's honesty and her ability to perform the duties of a justice of the peace.

Respondent argues the Commission must disregard her conduct because it occurred before she became a judge. However, the evidence shows that after becoming a judicial officer and accepting the great responsibility of preserving the principles of justice and the rule of law in the State of Nevada, Respondent continued to defraud the donors by keeping donations to which she was not entitled and continued to fail to notify them she used their funds for personal expenses instead of for the statue.[5] Respondent has provided no evidence or testimony that she notified the donors after becoming a judicial officer or that she repaid them or intends to repay them.

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[3] *See* Order Denying Motions for Acquittal and New Trial.

[4] The Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct requires judges to always promote public confidence in the judiciary and to avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety. NCJC Canon 1, Rule 1.2; *see also* NCJC Preamble. A judge's "improper conduct and conduct that creates the appearance of impropriety," whether in the judge's professional or personal affairs, "erode[s]... public confidence in the judiciary[.]" Comment [1] to NCJC Canon 1. A judge's violation of the law, court rules, or the judicial canons are actual improprieties while the appearance of impropriety involves a reasonable observer's perception "whether the conduct... reflects adversely on the judge's honesty, impartiality, temperament, or fitness to serve as a judge." Comment [5] to NCJC Canon 1.

[5] *See* Trial Tr. pp. 28-31, 247-51, 266, September 25, 2024; pp. 48, 58-59, 99-100, 199-202, September 26, 2024; pp. 16, 26-27, September 27, 2024; pp. 14-16, 43-44, 83-121, September 30, 2024.

After examining the evidence submitted[6] and the totality of the circumstances, the Commission finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the evidence adduced in the criminal case, *United States v. Michele Fiore* (2:24-cr-155), has deeply affected the public's perception of Respondent's continued honesty and integrity and that her return to full judicial duties pending the disposition of the additional complaints poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public and to the administration of justice. Accordingly, the Commission hereby suspends Respondent from the exercise of judicial office, with salary, pending a final disposition of the complaints filed with the Commission in Case No. 2025-108 pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4) and PRJDC 9.

II. ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by unanimous vote of Commissioners Stefanie Humphrey (Chairwoman), John Krmpotic (Vice-Chair), Honorable Kendra Bertschy (Justice of the Peace – Reno), Honorable Barbara Schifalacqua (Justice of the Peace – Henderson), Joseph Sanford, Patricia Halstead, Esq., and Karl Armstrong, Esq. that Respondent be, and hereby is, suspended from the exercise of judicial office with salary pending a final disposition of the Complaint(s) filed in Case No. 2025-108.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective immediately on the date of entry and Respondent shall cease performing all judicial duties at such time.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Executive Director of the Commission shall take the necessary steps to file this Order in the appropriate records and on the website of the Commission and with the Clerk of the Nevada Supreme Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by unanimous vote that the Chairwoman is authorized to sign this Order on behalf of all voting Commissioners.

DATED this 19th day of May, 2025.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

Stefanie Humphrey

STEFANIE HUMPHREY, Chairwoman

[6] The Commission considered the following evidence: (i) superseding criminal indictment; (ii) certified trial transcripts from Respondent's federal criminal trial; (iii) certified copy of jury verdict; (iv) motion for judgment of acquittal, reply to the motion for acquittal, motion for new trial and reply to motion for new trial; (v) order denying motions for acquittal and new trial; and (vi) emails from the public in favor of and in opposition to Respondent returning to the bench.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this 19th day of May, 2025, I transmitted a copy of the foregoing ORDER (1) RESCINDING RESPONDENT'S SUSPENSION FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITHOUT SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) SUSPENDING RESPONDENT FROM THE EXERCISE OF JUDICIAL OFFICE WITH SALARY PURSUANT TO NRS 1.4675(4), via email and by placing said document in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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COMMISSION CASE NO. 2025-108

NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

VERIFIED STATEMENT OF COMPLAINT

(Please Clearly Type or Print All Required Information)

Part I: **General Information**

Date: 5/02/2025

Name of Person Completing This Form: Paul C. Deyhle, Executive Director

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Part II: **Specific Information Regarding Complaint**

Name of Nevada Judicial Officer (*Only One Name Per Complaint Form*): Michele Fiore

Name of Court or Judicial District Involved: Justice of the Peace

Case Number (*Please Include **All** Letters and Numbers*): _____

When and where did the alleged misconduct or disability occur?

Date: _____ Time: _____ Location _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ Location _____

This Case Is (*Select One*): ___Pending In Trial Court ___On Appeal ___Not Pending or Closed

Nature of Complaint (*Select One*): _ I have attached my own explanation page(s)
X I have used the standard Complaint Form

Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct Section(s) Violated, If Known [(*Example: Canon 3B(4)*]:

Rules 1.1 and 1.2

Part III: **Obligations Of Complainant**

I hereby acknowledge the following agreements and/or waivers:

Consent to Investigate. I expressly authorize the Commission on Judicial Discipline ("Commission"), staff and contractors, to investigate my complaint and take any and all actions, including interviewing any relevant witness(es) or request by subpoena or otherwise any documentary evidence and to verify the statements I have made herein to be true and correct (or if stated to be on information and belief, that the statements are believed in good faith to be true and correct). I agree to promptly supplement and amend this complaint if I learn that the facts I have alleged are materially incorrect. I understand that deliberately misstating the truth of any material fact could subject me to various sanctions including, but not limited to, dismissal of my complaint, contempt or a separate action for perjury.

Part III **Obligations of Complainant** (*Continued*)

Full Cooperation. I agree to fully cooperate with the Commission, staff and its designated contractors with regard to my complaint. I understand that even if I wish to withdraw my complaint that the Commission retains independent grounds to pursue it and that the information contained within and attached to the complaint becomes the property of the Commission and the Commission may pursue the complaint even if I seek to withdraw it. **I understand that all documents submitted become the property of the Commission and will not be returned.**

Appeal Warning. I understand that the Commission, its staff and contractors are not an appellate court and that my filing of a complaint does not stay or stop any time I am provided to appeal a decision I disagree with or any decision that adversely affects me. I understand that I must timely file an appeal to preserve those rights. I acknowledge that filing a complaint with the Commission does not and cannot preserve those rights.

Legal Advice. I understand that the Commission, its Commissioners, Commission staff, investigators and contractors are precluded from giving me legal advice regarding my case or actions I should be taking in my case and I understand that should I require advice I will seek appropriate assistance apart from the Commission, Commissioners, Commission staff, investigators and contractors.

Part IV: **Attachments**

Relevant documents: Please attach any relevant documents which you believe directly support your claim that the judge has engaged in judicial misconduct or has a disability. **Highlight or otherwise identify those sections that you rely on to support your claim.** Do not include documents which do not directly support your complaint, for example, a copy of your complete court case. **Keep a copy of all documents submitted for your records as they become the property of the Commission and will not be returned.**

Part V: **Signature and Verification of Complaint**

After being duly sworn, I state under penalty of perjury that I am the above-referenced complainant whose name appears in Part I and who submitted this complaint. I know the contents thereof; and the matters set forth in this complaint are true and correct based upon my own knowledge, except as to matters stated to be on information and belief, and those matters are believed to be true and correct. I request that the conduct set forth above or referenced in the attachments and exhibits provided with the complaint be investigated by the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline.



Signature of Complainant

May 2, 2025
Date

How Do I Submit My Complaint? Where Can I Obtain Additional Assistance? This complaint, along with any supporting materials, should be sent by mail to the: **Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline, P.O. Box 18123, Reno, Nevada 89511.** If you have questions regarding the completion of this form, please contact the Commission on Judicial Discipline at **(775) 687-4017.** In addition, if you have access to the internet, or can obtain access at a local library or other facility, the Commission=s web site located at **http://judicial.nv.gov** and provides additional information to help you prepare your complaint. The web site also includes the full and current text of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct and other laws, statutes and rules governing the Commission.

STANDARD COMPLAINT FORM (STATEMENT OF FACTS)

The following is my explanation as to why the judicial officer named in this complaint has violated the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct or suffers from a disability.

Please identify yourself as [***select one***]: [ ] a litigant; [ ] a witness or interested party; or [ ] a member of the general public who witnessed or viewed this conduct (but not otherwise involved).

The following are the specific facts and circumstances which you believe constitute misconduct or disability (please be as specific as possible about the event(s) or action(s) and attach additional pages, if necessary):

At its special meeting on May 2, 2025, the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("Commission") considered this matter and authorized me to file this complaint in my capacity as the Executive Director of the Commission. NRS 1.4655(1); Commission Procedural Rule 10.2(A). Based on the Commission's authorization, I am filing this complaint, on information and belief, against Michele Fiore ("Fiore"), Justice of the Peace for the Pahrump Township Justice Court, located in Nye County, Nevada. The allegations set forth in this complaint were brought to the Commission's attention by the Criminal Indictment filed against Fiore in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada on July 16, 2024, as amended (Case No. 2:24-cr-00155). On October 3, 2024, a federal jury unanimously found Fiore guilty on one count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349) and six counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1343), all felonies. The sentencing date was originally set for January 6, 2025, but was continued three (3) times at Fiore's request - ultimately being scheduled for May 14, 2025. During this period, Fiore filed post-trial motions for acquittal and for a new trial arguing, *inter alia*, the evidence did not support the jury's verdict. On April 18, 2025, U.S. District Court Judge Jennifer Dorsey denied Fiore's post-trial motions. On April 23, 2025, prior to the imposition of sentence but after all post-trial motions were adjudicated, Fiore received a "full and unconditional pardon" from the President of the United States.

According to the information available to the Commission, from 2019 to 2020, Fiore (before she was a judicial officer) solicited funds for the creation of a statue in honor of two slain police officers. Fiore told prospective donors the funds would only be used for the creation of the statue and received approximately $70,000 from donors for that purpose. The statue was constructed, but none of the funds raised by Fiore were spent on the statue. Fiore has neither repaid any of the funds to the donors, nor informed the donors that the funds were not used for the statute, even after becoming a judicial officer.

Regardless of any allegation or evidence of fraud, conversion, embezzlement or any other crime, Fiore clearly received funds that were not her own to be used only for a particular purpose. When the funds were not used for the promised purpose, Fiore came under a continuing legal and/or ethical obligation to notify the donors and return the funds, which she has repeatedly and continuously failed to do since becoming a judge.

Fiore was appointed justice of the peace for the Pahrump Justice Court in Nye County on December 20, 2022, and is bound to follow the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct.

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONORABLE, MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada, Respondent.	Case No.: 2025-108-P

FORMAL STATEMENT OF CHARGES

THOMAS J. DONALDSON, Special Counsel before the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("Commission"), hereby files this Formal Statement of Charges and informs the Honorable MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada, ("Judge Fiore" or "Respondent"), that she violated the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct (sometimes referred to as "the Code") as alleged herein.

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JURISDICTION

The Commission has jurisdiction to discipline a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of appeals, a district judge, a justice of the peace or a municipal court judge for violations of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct. *See* Nev. Const. art. 6, § 21; NRS 1.425 *et seq.*; Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct.

Judge Fiore was sworn in as a justice of the peace on or about December 21, 2022, and is currently suspended from the exercise of office with pay pursuant to NRS 1.4675. Judge Fiore committed all actions described in Counts I through III, herein, while serving as a justice of the peace.

BACKGROUND FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. In or about 2019 to 2020, prior to becoming a judicial officer, Michele Fiore solicited monetary donations for the creation of a statue in honor of two (2) slain Las Vegas Metropolitan Police officers. Michele Fiore represented to prospective donors that the funds would be used solely for the construction of the statue and received approximately $70,000 from donors for that purpose. The statue was completed in approximately January of 2020, but none of the funds raised by Judge Fiore were spent on the construction of the statue.

B. When the donations specifically raised for the construction of the statue could not be used for that purpose, Michele Fiore and later Judge Fiore came under a legal obligation to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or to return the donations.

C. After becoming a judicial officer on December 21, 2022, Judge Fiore failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors.

D. On October 3, 2024, almost two years after becoming a judicial officer, Judge Fiore was

found guilty by a jury of one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349) and six (6) counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1343), all felonies, based upon Judge Fiore's fraudulent use of the donations. *United States of America v. Michele Fiore*, 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA.

E. Following the jury's verdict but before sentencing, Judge Fiore filed motions for acquittal and for a new trial arguing, *inter alia*, the evidence adduced at trial did not support the jury's verdict.

F. On April 18, 2025, U.S. District Court Judge Jennifer Dorsey denied Judge Fiore's motions.

G. On April 23, 2025, prior to the imposition of sentence, but after all post-trial motions were adjudicated, Judge Fiore received a "full and unconditional pardon" from the President of the United States.

H. On April 28, 2025, Judge Dorsey vacated the federal sentencing date and closed the criminal case without issuing an order of dismissal.

COUNT ONE

By failing to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, by failing to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or by failing to return the donations as alleged in Paragraphs A through H above, Judge Fiore, after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law).

COUNT TWO

By failing to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, by failing to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or by failing to return the donations as alleged in Paragraphs A through H above, Judge Fiore, after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code

(requiring a judge to act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity and impartiality of the judiciary and avoiding impropriety and the appearance of impropriety). Judge Fiore's ongoing wrongful retention of the donations and unjust enrichment creates in reasonable minds a perception that Judge Fiore's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge is adversely affected.

COUNT THREE

By being found guilty by a jury of her peers of seven (7) felonies involving crimes of fraud and moral turpitude and by having that guilty verdict upheld by the trial court judge, as alleged in Paragraphs A through H above, Judge Fiore, after being sworn in as a judicial officer, violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code (requiring a judge to avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety). The jury's guilty verdict creates in reasonable minds a perception that Judge Fiore's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge is adversely affected.

Judge Fiore's actions constitute either knowing and deliberate violations of the Code or violations that were not knowing and deliberate. Both types of violations are contrary to the form, force and effect of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct.

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Respectfully submitted,

DATED: April 24, 2026.

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THOMAS J. DONALDSON, being first duly sworn under oath according to Nevada law, and under penalty of perjury, hereby states:

1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada. I have been retained by the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline to serve in the capacity of Special Counsel in the matter of the Honorable Michele Fiore, Case No. 2025-108-P.

2. I have prepared and reviewed this Formal Statement of Charges against the Honorable Michele Fiore, and, pursuant to the investigation conducted in this matter, and based on the contents of that investigation and following reasonable inquiry, I am informed and believe that the contents of this Formal Statement of Charges are true and accurate.

DATED: 4/24/2026

By: _____
Thomas J. Donaldson, Esq.

State of Nevada

Carson City

Subscribed and sworn before me, a Notary Public

This 24th day of April, 2026.

By: Kelly Gallegos

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada, Respondent.	CASE NO. 2025-108-P

PREHEARING ORDER

TO: THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Respondent
PAOLA M. ARMENI, ESQ., Counsel for Respondent
THOMAS J. DONALDSON, ESQ., Special Counsel

The purpose of the hearing will be to determine whether, pursuant to NRS 1.4673, there is clear and convincing evidence to show that Respondent violated the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct, as is alleged in the Formal Statement of Charges filed by Special Counsel Thomas J. Donaldson, Esq. on or about April 24, 2026, and whether discipline is appropriate.

Within ten (10) days after service of this Prehearing Order, the Parties shall exchange certain material and information as set forth in the Procedural Rules of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("PRJDC") 19.

A hearing in this case will take place in Las Vegas, Nevada, on such date(s) to be set by the Commission pursuant to PRJDC 18.

Not less than thirty (30) days before the hearing, the Parties may submit a written request for the Commission to issue subpoenas for the production of documents or to compel attendance or testimony of the witnesses, if any, pursuant to NRS 1.466 and PRJDC 20.

All pleadings, including accompanying legal memoranda, submitted in support of any motion shall be limited to: fifteen (15) pages in length for the opening motion; fifteen (15) pages for the opposition; and seven (7) pages for the reply. These limitations are exclusive of exhibits.

Not less than twenty-one (21) days before the hearing, the Parties are directed to confer in order to reach any possible stipulations narrowing the issues of law and fact, and exchange documents that will be offered into evidence at the hearing, and/or stipulate to any or all exhibits to be introduced at the

hearing.

Not less than fifteen (15) days before the hearing, the Parties shall file all pre-trial motions, including motions in limine to exclude or admit evidence.[1] No reply shall be permitted if such motions are filed within twenty-one (21) days before the hearing.

Not less than fourteen (14) days before the hearing, the Parties shall prepare and serve contemporaneously by email written prehearing briefs upon the Commission and the opposing Party. The prehearing briefs shall include:

a. A brief statement of relevant facts, including any admitted or undisputed facts, not to exceed one (1) page.

b. A concise statement, not to exceed two (2) pages, of the Party's allegations or defenses and the facts supporting the same. Such allegations, defenses and facts shall be organized by listing each essential element of the allegation or defense and stating the facts in support of each such element as they relate to the Formal Statement of Charges.

c. A statement of any issues of law, not to exceed two (2) pages, supported by authorities with a brief summary of the relevant rule and without additional argument. The Parties should emphasize any Commission opinions deemed relevant and applicable.

d. The names of each witness, except impeaching witnesses, the Party expects to call; a clear statement of the expected testimony of each witness and its relevance; and an estimate of the time the Party will require for the testimony of each witness. To the extent possible, provide an estimate of time for cross-examination of the opposing Party's witnesses.

e. A list of the exhibits expected to be identified and introduced at the hearing for the purpose of developing the evidentiary record and a concise statement of the relevancy to the allegations, defenses and facts as stated in the statement required under paragraph (b) above for each exhibit.

f. A concise statement of any stipulations regarding the admissibility of an exhibit or expected testimony of any witness offered by the opposing Party.

g. A brief summary of any pre-hearing procedural or substantive motions, not to exceed one (1) paragraph. Except for any procedural or substantive motions that arise during the hearing, all pre-hearing procedural and substantive motions must be submitted in accordance with this Prehearing Order.

h. Any other appropriate comments, suggestions or information which may assist the Commission in the disposition of the case, not to exceed one (1) page.

[1] Pursuant to PRJDC 38, service of all papers shall be by electronic means ("email"). Furthermore, PRJDC 37 states that time limitations shall be computed pursuant to the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure and the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Not less than fourteen (14) days before the hearing, the Parties shall electronically submit to the Commission their exhibit book(s), consisting of the exhibits, if any, expected to be identified and introduced as evidence at the hearing. The exhibit book(s) must include an index of the exhibits and be Bates numbered. Additionally, five (5) bound hardcopies of the exhibit books must be submitted to the Commission on Judicial Discipline. Each Party is responsible for providing the court reporter with an unbound set of Bates numbered exhibits. The Parties shall exchange exhibit books in both electronic and hardcopy format, unless otherwise agreed upon.

a) The Special Counsel's exhibit book(s) must be tabbed and identified by numbers.

b) The Respondent's exhibit book(s) must be tabbed and identified by letters.

Within five (5) days of service of the prehearing brief, the Parties shall submit a concise statement of any objections to the admissibility of any exhibit identified by the other Party and, to the extent possible, the expected testimony of any witnesses. Such statement shall not exceed two (2) pages. If no objection is stated as to any exhibit or expected testimony, the Commission will presume that there is no objection to the admission of the listed exhibit or expected testimony into evidence.

The Parties shall electronically file and serve all documents not later than 5:00 p.m. on the respective dates outlined herein to the Office of the Commission on Judicial Discipline at ncjdinfo@judicial.nv.gov, and upon the opposing Party.

The Honorable Kendra Bertschy is authorized to sign this order on behalf of the full Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 12th day of May, 2026.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

Kendra Bertschy

Honorable Kendra Bertschy, Commissioner
Presiding Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this 12th day of May, 2026, I transmitted a copy of the foregoing PREHEARING ORDER, via email and by placing said document in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of the HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada, Respondent.	Case No. 2025-108-P

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO DISMISS AND GRANTING LEAVE TO AMEND FORMAL STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Currently before the Commission on Judicial Discipline (hereinafter "Commission") in this action is *The Honorable Judge Michele Fiore's Motion to Dismiss* ("Motion"), which was filed by counsel to the Honorable Michele Fiore, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada ("Respondent") on May 15, 2026. Special Counsel to the Commission filed an *Opposition to Respondent's Motion to Dismiss* ("Opposition") on May 26, 2026. On June 2, 2026, counsel for Respondent filed a *Rely to Opposition to Respondent's Motion to Dismiss* ("Reply").

I. Statement of Facts

The *Formal Statement of Charges* ("FSOC"), filed on April 24, 2026, alleges that Respondent acted in violation of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct ("Code"). In or about 2019 to 2020, prior to becoming a judicial officer, Michele Fiore solicited monetary donations for the creation of a statue in honor of two (2) slain Las Vegas Metropolitan Police officers. Michele Fiore represented to prospective donors that the funds would be used solely for the construction of the statue and received approximately $70,000 from donors for that purpose.

The statue was completed in approximately January of 2020, but none of the funds raised by Michele Fiore were spent on the construction of the statue. When the donations specifically raised for the construction of the statue could not be used for that purpose, Michele Fiore and later Judge Fiore

(Respondent), failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors. On October 3, 2024, almost two years after becoming a judicial officer, Respondent was found guilty by a jury of one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. §1349) and six (6) counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. §1343), all felonies, based upon Respondent's fraudulent use of the donations. *United States of America v. Michele Fiore*, 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA.

Following the jury's verdict but before sentencing, Judge Fiore filed motions for acquittal and for a new trial arguing, *inter alia*, the evidence adduced at trial did not support the jury's verdict. On April 18, 2025, U.S. District Court Judge Jennifer Dorsey denied Judge Fiore's motions. On April 23, 2025, prior to the imposition of sentence, but after all post-trial motions were adjudicated, Respondent received a "full and unconditional pardon" from the United States President, Donald J. Trump. On April 28, 2025, Judge Dorsey vacated the federal sentencing date and closed the criminal case.

II. Motion

In her *Motion,* Respondent argues that the Commission lacks jurisdiction to bring a FSOC because it is based on alleged conduct that occurred before Respondent assumed judicial office and, therefore, falls outside the Commission's disciplinary authority under NRS Chapter 1, the Code, and the Procedural Rules of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("PRJDC"). Respondent states that the Commission's jurisdiction is limited by PRJDC 8.1, noting that "the rule does not create unlimited jurisdiction over every act committed by a judge at any point in her private life." *See Motion*, pg. 7, lines 1-3.

According to Respondent, the alleged acts underlying the FSOC, including the solicited and received donations, occurred before Respondent assumed judicial office. Respondent argues that the alleged wrongdoing, if any, was complete before judicial service began. Respondent contends that Special Counsel is attempting to avoid this jurisdictional limitation by characterizing the conduct as "continuing." Respondent maintains, however, that a continuing violation requires a continuing legal duty. Respondent argues no such legal duty existed because Respondent was never subject to a

judgment, restitution order, contractual repayment deadline, or any other legally enforceable obligation requiring repayment of the funds.

Respondent emphasizes that the FSOC identifies no statute, court order, Code, or any other legal authority imposing a post-investiture obligation to return the donations or seek donor instructions regarding their use. Without an underlying legal obligation, Respondent asserts that there can be no continuing misconduct. As such, Respondent characterizes the alleged unpaid obligation as merely the continuing effect of alleged pre-bench conduct, not a new act of judicial misconduct occurring during judicial service. Accordingly, Respondent maintains that Special Counsel's theory would improperly expand judicial discipline beyond its lawful limits by transforming any unresolved pre-bench allegation, debt, or private dispute into an ongoing ethics violation simply because the individual later became a judicial officer.

Respondent also challenges the legal sufficiency of the FSOC, asserting that it fails to identify the statutory grounds for discipline, fails to allege the violation of any enforceable legal duty, and improperly attempts to transform alleged pre-bench private conduct into a perpetual judicial ethics violation. Citing PRJDC 2.5 and PRJDC 2.6, Respondent argues the FSOC fails to identify which provisions of NRS 1.4653 Respondent allegedly violated. She contends that the Commission leaves her to speculate as to the legal theory against which she must defend and deprives her of constitutionally adequate notice.

With respect to Count One, Respondent argues that dismissal is warranted because the FSOC does not identify any statute, court order, judgment, restitution order, contractual provision, or other legally enforceable duty requiring repayment by a specific date. In the absence of such a legal duty, Respondent contends there can be no violation of the Code predicated upon a failure to "comply with the law." *See Motion*, pg. 2, lines 26-28 to pg. 3, line 1. She maintains that Special Counsel cannot transform an alleged moral expectation, private dispute, or implied obligation into judicial misconduct without first identifying an actual legal requirement that was violated.

As to Count Two, Respondent argues that Special Counsel impermissibly attempts to transform a completed pre-bench private matter into a continuing judicial ethics violation. Respondent claims that the Special Counsel is not identifying ongoing misconduct by Respondent while serving on the bench,

but rather only the alleged continuing consequence of a completed pre-bench event. Respondent further asserts that the Special Counsel identifies no statute, court order, judgment, contractual payment deadline, or ethical rule imposing an affirmative post-investiture duty to repay pre-bench donations.

Respondent emphasizes that Code, Rule 1.2 cannot be stretched to create a free-standing and indefinite obligation to remedy alleged private conduct occurring before judicial service. Otherwise, every undisclosed historical allegation, debt, dispute, or accusation would become perpetually renewable the moment an individual becomes a judge.

Regarding Count Three, Respondent contends that the FSOC fails to allege post-investiture misconduct and instead relies on a premature guilty-verdict theory and an inconsistent and shifting disciplinary framework. Respondent argues that although the jury verdict was returned while she served on the bench, the verdict itself does not transform pre-judicial conduct into acts committed in a judicial capacity. Respondent therefore argues that Count Three fails to provide constitutionally adequate notice under the Fourteen Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and Article 1, Section 8 of the Nevada Constitution. Finally, Respondent asserts that the Commission's own rules and prior determinations demonstrate that proceeding solely on the guilty verdict was premature, and that the Commission's rescission of Respondent's suspension following the pardon is evidence of an inconsistent disciplinary theory.

III. Opposition

In the *Opposition*, Special Counsel argues that the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to NRS 1.440 as determined by the Nevada Supreme Court in *Fiore v. Nev. Comm'n on Judicial Discipline*, Docket Nos. 89037, 90650 and 90810, pp. 3-4 (April 10, 2026). Special Counsel contends that Respondent's summary of the underlying facts in her *Motion* omits significant evidence from the underlying criminal proceeding in *United States v. Fiore*, U.S. Dist. Court Case No. 2:24-cr-00155 (Nev. 2024). Special Counsel summarizes the testimony of multiple witnesses presented during Respondent's criminal trial, asserting that each witness testified that donations were made based upon Respondent's representations that the money would be used for the Officer Alyn Beck statue. According to Special Counsel, the witnesses testified that Respondent did not notify them that the donations were no longer needed, did not seek permission to use them for another purpose, and did not

return the donations. Special Counsel notes that one witness was only partially reimbursed.

In response to Respondent's argument that the Commission lacks jurisdiction because the conduct leading to the federal criminal action occurred before she assumed judicial office, Special Counsel argues that the Nevada Supreme Court rejected that position and held that the Commission possesses jurisdiction under NRS 1.440. Special Counsel emphasizes that the foregoing holding continues to be binding upon the instant proceeding. In support of this position, Special Counsel cites *Five Star Capital Corp. v. Ruby*, 124 Nev. 1048, 194 P.3d 709 (2008) (internal citations omitted), and discusses the factors necessary for the application of issue preclusion.

Regarding the argument that the FSOC is constitutionally and legally deficient because it fails to identify the statutory grounds for discipline, fails to allege the violation of any enforceable legal duty, and improperly attempts to transform alleged pre-bench private conduct into a perpetual judicial ethics violation, Special Counsel argues that the FSOC provides sufficient due process to Respondent and states multiple claims against her. Specifically, Special Counsel contends that the FSOC initially references the required legal authorities for invoking its jurisdiction, as well as alleges the "specific acts" of Respondent that "warrant action by the Commission." *See Opposition*, pg. 4, lines 22-24. Special Counsel argues that the FSOC sets forth three (3) separate counts of Code violations and incorporates the factual allegations into each count. Special Counsel further argues that each count incorporates the underlying factual allegations and that Respondent understands that NRS 1.4653 establishes the statutory grounds for judicial discipline. According to Special Counsel, the concluding paragraph of the FSOC reasonably connects the factual allegations to the applicable statutory provisions, thereby providing constitutionally adequate notice. Nevertheless, Special Counsel requests leave to amend the FSOC pursuant to NRS 1.4267 as sought by Respondent in her Motion.

With respect to the assertion that the FSOC never identifies the underlying legal obligation Respondent allegedly violated in Count One, Special Counsel argues that while such specificity is not required in the FSOC, Respondent's actions constitute violations of various provisions of Nevada law. Special Counsel references criminal embezzlement under NRS 205.300, civil conversion (citing to *Evans v. Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.*, 116 Nev. 598, 606, 5 P.3d 1043, 1048 (2000) (internal citation omitted)), and unjust enrichment (citing to *Certified Fire Prot. Inc. v. Precision Constr. Inc.*, 128 Nev.

371, 381, 283 P.3d 250, 257 (2012)). Special Counsel further argues that the applicable statute of limitations for those potential claims had not expired when the FSOC was filed. In support, Special Counsel cites NRS 171.085 (general limitations periods for violations of NRS 205.300), NRS 11.190(2)(c) (unjust enrichment), and *Petersen v. Bruen*, 106 Nev. 271, 274, 792 P.2d 18, 20 (1990) (civil discovery rule tolling statute of limitations until "an injured party discovers or reasonably should have discovered" the harm). According to Special Counsel, Respondent's conduct did not become public until the fall of 2024, and the applicable limitations period therefore had not expired. Special Counsel contends that because the alleged victims continue to possess legally enforceable claims to recover the funds, Respondent likewise continues to have an ethical and legal obligation under Code, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 to return the donated funds.

Regarding Count Two, Special Counsel argues that Respondent's conduct constitutes impropriety and the appearance of impropriety. Special Counsel contends that, upon assuming judicial office on December 21, 2022, Respondent became subject to the Code and she was required to "act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety," as required by Code, Rule 1.2. Special Counsel states that when Respondent became a judge, she failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to seek instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors. Special Counsel further notes that on October 3, 2024, Respondent was found guilty by a jury of one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. §1349) and six (6) counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. §1343), all felonies, based on Respondent's fraudulent use of the donations.

Special Counsel concludes that Respondent's conduct was improper or, at a minimum, created in reasonable minds a perception that Respondent violated the Code or engaged in other conduct that reflects adversely on Respondent's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge, citing to Code, Rule 1.2, Comment 5.

With respect to Count Three, Special Counsel argues that Respondent's conviction independently establishes impropriety and the appearance of impropriety. Special Counsel contends that Respondent cites no relevant legal authority to support her argument that pre-judicial conduct,

coupled with a later criminal conviction, cannot establish judicial misconduct.

Finally, Special Counsel asserts that the President's pardon of Respondent does not preclude the Commission from considering Respondent's conduct for disciplinary purposes. Citing *In re Sang Man Shin*, 125 Nev. 100, 110, 206 P.3d 91, 98 (2009), Special Counsel notes that under Nevada law, "the effect of a pardon does not erase the historical fact of the conviction." *See Opposition*, pg. 8, lines 9-10. Special Counsel further cites to and discusses various federal and state cases throughout the country that have permitted cases to proceed despite the issuance of a pardon.

IV. Reply

Respondent argues in the *Reply* that Special Counsel's reliance on the Supreme Court's ruling on the writ to invoke issue preclusion is misplaced. Respondent further argues that the issues were not actually and necessarily litigated in a posture identical to the present proceeding, which concerns the imposition of judicial discipline.

In response to Special Counsel's argument that the FSOC sufficiently identifies the statutory basis for the allegations, Respondent argues that due process requires Special Counsel to identify the specific provisions of NRS 1.4653 allegedly violated. Respondent maintains that requiring her to infer the legal basis of the charges is constitutionally insufficient.

With respect to Count One, Respondent contends that dismissal is warranted because there is no evidence that any donor intends to pursue a civil action or that any state prosecuting agency intends to pursue criminal charges. Respondent contends that Special Counsel's argument therefore rests on speculation. Respondent further argues that the applicable statute of limitations has expired. According to Respondent, the record contradicts Special Counsel's argument.

Regarding Count Two, Respondent maintains the FSOC should be dismissed because Special Counsel impermissibly attempts to transform a completed pre-bench private matter into a continuing judicial ethics violation. Respondent argues that the Special Counsel identifies no legal authority imposing a duty upon a judge to contact donors regarding contributions made years earlier, particularly where those contributions predated judicial service and were unrelated to any judicial function. Respondent further claims that that there is no evidence that any donor requested the return of a donation or that Judge Fiore refused such a request.

As to Count Three, Respondent reiterates that the FSOC should be dismissed for failure to allege post investiture misconduct, reliance on a premature guilty-verdict theory, and the Commission's inconsistent and shifting disciplinary framework. Respondent argues that while a pardon may not extinguish professional obligations, Respondent was not subject to the Code when the pardoned conduct occurred. Respondent notes that Special Counsel's reliance on *In re Sang Man Shin* is misplaced because that decision did not address the authority of a licensing or disciplinary body to impose discipline for conduct occurring before an individual became subject to its jurisdiction. Respondent further cites *In re Abrams*, 689 A.2d 6 (D.C. 1997), arguing that Special Counsel overlooks a critical distinction, namely that the misconduct occurred while the individual was licensed as an attorney and therefore subject to the ethical rules governing the legal profession.

Lastly, Respondent argues that Special Counsel identifies no authority permitting discipline for the alleged violation of a Code that did not govern the individual at the time when the alleged conduct occurred. Respondent therefore concludes that the attorney disciplinary authorities cited by the Special Counsel are likewise distinguishable.

V. Issues

1. Whether the Commission has jurisdiction over Respondent's ongoing misconduct after becoming a judicial officer; and
2. Whether the FSOC fails to state a legal claim in violation of Respondent's due process rights.

VI. Standard of Law

The Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure ("NRCP") provide that the defense of lack of jurisdiction over the subject matter may, at the option of the defendant, be made by motion. NRCP 12(b)(1).

NRCP 12(b)(5) permits a party to file a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. In considering a motion to dismiss, the court construes all factual allegations in the complaint as true and draws all inferences in favor of the non-moving party. *Buzz Stew, LLC v. City of North Las Vegas,* 181 P.3d 670, 672 (Nev. 2008). A complaint will be dismissed if it appears beyond doubt that the plaintiff can prove no set of facts which, if true, would entitle it to relief. *Id.*

VII. Discussion

Respondent moves for dismissal of the FSOC on the grounds the Commission lacks jurisdiction and the FSOC fails to adequately allege acts of judicial misconduct in violation of the Respondent's constitutional rights.

1. Jurisdiction

The Commission has personal jurisdiction over judicial officers. *See* Nev. Const. art. 6, § 21(1) (providing the Commission with authority to discipline judges), NRS 1.440 (providing the Commission with exclusive jurisdiction over the discipline of judges), and NRS 1.428 (defining "judge"). Generally, personal jurisdiction commences when a person is sworn in as a judicial officer. The Commission has subject matter jurisdiction over acts of willful misconduct, willful or persistent failure to perform the duties of office, acts that demonstrate habitual intemperance, and acts that constitute violations of the Code. NRS 1.4653. In this matter, the FSOC filed by Special Counsel alleges Respondent violated the Code after being sworn in as a judicial officer.

a. Private Acts vs. Public Acts

An act that violates the Code may occur in the course of the judge's official duties or in the course of the judge's private life. *See* Code, Preamble (providing that judges should maintain the dignity of judicial office at all times and avoid both impropriety and the appearance of impropriety in their professional *and personal* lives) (emphasis added). *See also* Code, Rule 1.2, Comments 1-2 ("Public confidence in the judiciary is eroded by improper conduct. . . This principle applies to both the professional and personal conduct of a judge." "A judge should expect to be the subject of public scrutiny that might be viewed as burdensome if applied to other citizens and must accept the restrictions imposed by the Code."). In other words, the Commission's jurisdiction is not limited to misconduct occurring from the bench.

b. Pre-Bench Conduct

Respondent also argues the Commission lacks jurisdiction as the FSOC "is based on alleged conduct that occurred before Judge Fiore assumed judicial office and therefore falls outside the Commission's disciplinary authority." *See Motion*, pg. 6.

First, the FSOC bases its allegations on actions taken by Respondent *after* she became a judicial officer, not before. "Judge Fiore committed all actions described in Counts I through III, herein, while serving as a justice of the peace." *FSOC*, pg. 2. As such, drawing all inferences in favor of the non-moving party, the FSOC adequately alleges both personal and subject matter jurisdiction.

Additionally, even if the FSOC alleged misconduct that occurred prior to Respondent assuming judicial office, such an allegation is not necessarily fatal to the Commission's exercise of subject matter jurisdiction. Many cases before the Commission allege misconduct occurring after a person becomes a judicial officer. For example, alleged violations involving bias or prejudice (Code, Rule 2.3), diligence or competence (Code, Rule 2.5), and decorum or judicial demeanor (Code, Rule 2.8) generally must arise from conduct occurring after a judge assumes judicial office for the Commission to have subject matter jurisdiction. There are times, however, when the Commission has subject matter jurisdiction for acts that occur prior to a person assuming judicial office. *See* Code, Rules 4.1 through 4.5 (providing the Code applies to candidates for judicial office, even before they are sworn in as judicial officers).[1]

There are also times, albeit exceedingly rare, when it is not the conduct that provides the Commission with the subject matter jurisdiction over a particular allegation, it is the result. For example, a judge shall avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety. *See* Code, Rule 1.2. While an actual impropriety includes the act of misconduct establishing a violation of the law, a court rule or the Code (*Id.* at Comment 5), the appearance of impropriety does not. As such, in cases involving an allegation of misconduct based on the appearance of impropriety, it is not the act of misconduct that gives the Commission subject matter jurisdiction (as an act of misconduct is not required), it is the resulting appearance of impropriety that violates the Code. Accordingly, if the resulting appearance of impropriety arises while the judge is subject to the Code, the Commission will have subject matter jurisdiction. This is true even if the act that caused the appearance of impropriety was committed prior to the judge taking office. *See Nebraska State Bar v. Krepela*, 259 Neb. 395, 405 (2000) (holding that the Nebraska Commission on Judicial Qualifications could discipline a sitting judge for conduct which occurred five years before the judge took office).

[1] Note, however, the Commission only has personal jurisdiction over judges who have been sworn into office. *Supra*. As such, if a sitting judge is running for retention or re-election and is accused of violating the Code, the Commission will have personal jurisdiction over the judge. If, however, a candidate who is not a sitting judge is accused of violating the Code, the Commission will only gain personal jurisdiction if the candidate is elected and sworn into office.

In any event, in this matter, the FSOC brought against Respondent alleges violations of the Code (i.e., subject matter jurisdiction) occurring after Respondent was sworn in as a judicial officer (i.e., personal jurisdiction). Accordingly, Respondent's allegations that the Commission lacks jurisdiction are unpersuasive.

2. Sufficiency of Charges Satisfies Due Process

Article 6, Section 21(9) of the Nevada Constitution establishes the jurisdiction of the Commission to address "[a]ny matter relating to the fitness of a justice or judge," including by ordering a hearing to be held before it upon service of "a statement of the matter" on the justice or judge. NRS 1.4267 defines the "formal statement of charges" as "a document setting forth ***specific acts of judicial misconduct*** ...." (Emphasis added.) *See also* PRJDC 2.5 (a document filed by a special counsel designated by the Commission pursuant to NRS 1.4267). PRJDC 2.6 defines "judicial misconduct" as the "commission of any act which is grounds for discipline pursuant to NRS 1.4653." In accordance with NRS 1.4653, the Commission may discipline a judge for committing a violation of one or more of the provisions of the Code.

Pursuant to Article 6, Section 21(7) of the Nevada Constitution, "[t]he Commission shall adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of its hearings and any other procedural rules it deems necessary to carry out its duties." NRS 1.462 provides that proceedings before the Commission are civil matters in which the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure apply, except as otherwise provided in NRS 1.425 through 1.4695 or by procedural rules adopted by the Commission. The Commission has adopted the PRJDC.

PRJDC 15 requires the FSOC to "reference the ***relevant*** provisions of the Nevada Revised Statutes, the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct and the Nevada Constitution ***and provide a clear statement of all acts and omissions which are alleged to warrant action by the Commission***." (Emphasis added.)

Here, the FSOC specifically identifies Article 6, Section 21 of the Nevada Constitution, NRS 1.425 *et seq*. and Rule 1.1 of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct as the basis upon which the Commission should assert jurisdiction over the Respondent in this matter. *See* FSOC, pg. 1, lines 1-5. Moreover, the FSOC sets forth a factual predicate upon which it alleges that the Respondent violated Rule 1.1 of the Code, which requires judges, in part, to comply with the law. The FSOC alleges that

Michele Fiore committed the acts of soliciting and accepting funds from private donors for the specific purpose of constructing a statue in honor of slain law enforcement officers, and when the funds were not used for that purpose, Respondent had a legal obligation to notify the donors and seek instructions regarding the alternative use or return of the donations. *FSOC*, pg. 2, lines 12-26. By failing to notify the donors, seek such instructions or otherwise return the donations, the FSOC alleges that the Respondent unlawfully concealed the matter and wrongfully retained those donations, including while she served as a judge. *FSOC*, pg. 3, lines 16-21. The FSOC further denotes that fraudulent conduct prompted the guilty jury verdicts of 7 counts of federal criminal wire fraud in the U.S. District Court after the Respondent became a judge. *FSOC*, pg. 2, line 27 and pg. 3, lines 1-4.

The Respondent further alleges that the "[FSOC] identifies no statute, court order, Code, or other legal authority imposing a post-investiture obligation to return the donation or seek donor instructions regarding their use." *See Motion*, pg. 7, lines 18-20. However, this is not the standard for notice required for a FSOC under the Nevada Constitution, the statutes governing judicial discipline, or the procedural rules adopted by the Commission. Although Respondent's filings advance numerous due process arguments, they do not cite legal authority in support of those assertions. As noted above, the pleading requirements for the FSOC are analogous to the pleading requirements set forth in the NRCP, wherein a pleading that states a claim for relief need only contain a short and plain statement of the court's jurisdiction and claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief. *See* NRCP 8. Upon *de novo* review of motions to dismiss under NRCP 12(b)(5) for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted, the Nevada Supreme Court has repeatedly held that "[u]nder our notice-pleading standard, we 'liberally construe [the] pleadings' for 'sufficient facts' that put the 'defending party' on 'adequate notice of the nature of the claim and relief sought.'" *Harris v. State*, 138 Nev. 390, 407, 510 P.3d 802, 807 (2022) (quoting *Western States Constr., Inc. v. Michoff*, 108 Nev. 931, 936, 840 P.2d 1220, 1223 (1992)). Moreover, the Court has also stated that "our notice-pleading standard ***does not require the plaintiff to indicate a specific 'legal theory' or use 'precise legalese' to give notice*** to the defending party." *Id.* (citing *Liston v. Las Vegas Metro. Police Dep't*, 111 Nev. 1575, 1578-79, 908 P.2d 720, 723 (1995)) (Emphasis added.). Under these standards, the FSOC, akin to a notice-pleading,

does not require Special Counsel to specify every legal theory upon which the Respondent violated the law. Thus, the requirements of PRJDC 15 have been satisfied.

Most notably, the Court has further stated that the "essence of due process" in the context of a judicial discipline proceeding is "the opportunity to be heard 'at a meaningful time in a meaningful manner.'" *Matter of Halverson*, 123 Nev. 493, 518; 169 P.3d 1161, 1178 (2007) (quoting *Mathews v. Eldridge*, 424 U.S. 319, 333, 96 S.Ct. 893, 902 (1976) (internal quotations omitted). The notion of "meaningful" due process has been addressed by the Nevada Supreme Court in *Dutchess Bus. Servs., Inc. v. Nev. State Bd. of Pharmacy*, 124 Nev. 701, 711, 191 P.3d 1159, 1166 (2008), wherein an administrative body was required to "give notice to the defending party of the issues on which the decision [would] turn and the factual material on which the agency relie[d] for decision so that [the defending party] may rebut it." Moreover, the court determined that it was "the opportunity to prepare a defense that defines due process." *Id.* at 712, 191 P.3d at 1167.

The Commission holds that the FSOC satisfies the minimum due process necessary to put the Respondent on notice of the nature of the claim and relief sought. The FSOC provides specific factual allegations and provides the Respondent with a meaningful opportunity to respond whether her conduct as outlined in those factual allegations violates the law. As required by the Commission's procedural rules, the FSOC identifies Rule 1.1 of the Code as violated by the Respondent for concealing that the donated funds were not used for the intended purpose and retaining the funds without notification to the donors.

The FSOC further acknowledges the Presidential pardon of these criminal acts after the guilty verdict by a jury in federal court to allow the Respondent to answer how such a pardon impacts her legal obligations. Yet, a Presidential pardon of criminal activity does not render the underlying conduct lawful. By analogy, if a person steals his mother's ring, is charged with criminal theft, found guilty by a jury and subsequently pardoned, the pardon does not entitle the person to maintain possession of the stolen ring. There is a legal – and ethical – obligation to return the ring to the lawful owner, despite the pardon. Likewise, if an elected official misappropriates government funds for a personal purpose, any pardon of a criminal misappropriation conviction would not otherwise entitle the public official to keep the funds.

The FSOC alleges similar conduct wherein the Respondent is alleged to have unlawfully retained funds that were solicited and donated for a specific purpose (honoring slain law enforcement officers) that was abrogated. As in any of these hypothetical scenarios, the FSOC argues the law created an obligation to inform the donors and/or return the money or property. The FSOC contains specific factual acts and omissions to put the Respondent on notice of the alleged misconduct.

VIII. Decision and Order[2]

Based on the foregoing reasons and good cause appearing, the Commission hereby finds and orders as follows:

1. Respondent's Request for Oral Argument

Decisions on motions shall be made without oral argument unless otherwise requested by a party and ordered by the Commission. PRJDC Rule 38.2(A). In this matter, Respondent requested oral argument on the *Motion to Dismiss* and Special Counsel did not join or oppose Respondent's request. After due consideration of the issues raised in Respondent's *Motion*, Special Counsel's *Opposition* and Respondent's *Reply*, the Commission finds that oral arguments would not be beneficial in assisting the Commission's decision in this matter. Therefore, the request for oral argument is denied.

2. Respondent's *Motion to Dismiss*

The Commission concludes that the Commission has jurisdiction and that Respondent has not demonstrated that dismissal of the FSOC is otherwise warranted.[3]

3. Special Counsel's Request for Leave to Amend Count One

Notwithstanding our holding that the FSOC satisfies the legal standard for due process, out of an abundance of caution to ensure a meaningful opportunity to defend herself, the Commission hereby grants leave for Special Counsel to amend Count One of the FSOC to provide more specificity regarding the legal authorities upon which it alleges the Respondent had a legal obligation to notify the donors that the donated funds could not be used for the specified purpose, seek instructions on alternative use of those funds, or return the money. The request for leave to amend Count One in the

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[2] The Honorable Kendra Bertschy is authorized to sign this Order on behalf of the full Commission.

[3] To the extent the Respondent raises arguments that are not specifically addressed in this Order, the Commission has considered the same and concludes that they either do not present a basis for relief or need not be reached given the disposition of this Order.

FSOC is granted.

The Commission notes that the *Opposition* and *Reply* already address the legal theories upon which leave is granted. Therefore, limited time is granted to submit an Amended FSOC and answer thereto. Special Counsel shall file an Amended FSOC not later than ten (10) days after service of this Order, and the Respondent shall file an Amended Answer not later than twenty (20) days after service of an Amended FSOC.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 31st day of July, 2026.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

Kendra Bertschy, Presiding Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify on this 31st day of July, 2026, I transmitted a copy of the foregoing ORDER DENYING MOTION TO DISMISS AND GRANTING LEAVE TO AMEND FORMAL STATEMENT OF CHARGES, via email and by placing said document in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONORABLE, MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada, Respondent.	Case No.: 2025-108-P

OPPOSITION TO RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO DISMISS

COMES NOW Thomas J. Donaldson, Special Counsel for the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("Commission" or "NCJD"), and hereby opposes The Honorable Judge Michele Fiore's Motion to Dismiss ("Motion") filed herein on May 15, 2026. The instant opposition is made pursuant to PRJDC 38.2 and based upon the following memorandum of points and authorities and the pleadings and papers on file herein.

Memorandum of Points and Authorities

Contrary to Respondent's contentions, the Commission clearly has jurisdiction over the instant matter pursuant to NRS 1.440 as recently determined by the Nevada Supreme Court in *Fiore v. Nev. Comm. on Judicial Discipline*, Dockets No. 89037, 90650 and 90810, pp. 3-4 (April 10, 2026). Further, there are a variety of laws that Respondent violated while on the bench in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct ("Code") as alleged in Count One of the Formal Statement of Charges ("FSOC") filed herein on April 24, 2026. Additionally, Respondent's violations of the law do not promote public confidence in the independence, integrity and impartiality of the judiciary or avoid impropriety or the appearance of

impropriety in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code as alleged in Count Two of the FSOC. Finally, without a doubt, Respondent being found guilty of seven (7) felonies involving wire fraud by a jury of her peers on October 3, 2024, while serving as a Justice of the Peace creates in reasonable minds a perception that the Judge violated the Code or engaged in other conduct that reflects adversely on the Judge's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge in violation of Canon 1, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 of the Code as alleged in Count Three of the FSOC.[1] Therefore, Special Counsel respectfully requests an Order from the Commission denying the Motion.

I.

Factual Allegations

Respondent's brief rendition of the underlying facts in her Motion conveniently ignores the relevant and damning evidence from the underlying criminal case of *United States v. Fiore,* U.S. Dist. Court Case No. 2:24-cr-00155 (Nev. 2024). Witnesses Elizabeth Stavota (ECF No. 87 at 247-251), David Chesnoff (ECF No. 87 at 266), Jay Brown, Esq. (ECF No. 87 at 28-31), Robert Groesbeck (ECF 60 at 48), Robert Richardson (ECF No. 60 at 58-59), Thomas White (ECF No. 60 at 199-202), Harry Mohney (ECF No. 88 at 16), Brett Torino (ECF No. 88 at 26-27), Joe Lombardo (ECF No. 90 at 14-16) and Peter Pavilos (ECF No. 90 at 43-44) all testified that they made donations based upon Respondent's representations that the money would be used for the Officer Alyn Beck statue, that Respondent never notified them that the donations were no longer needed, that Respondent never asked if the donations could be used for other purposes and that they were never reimbursed for their donations, with the exception of Jay Brown, who was reimbursed for $17,000 of his $27,000 donation.[2] ECF No. 87 at 28. Ms. Stavota and Mr. Mohney made donations based on a flyer or letter from Respondent. ECF No. 87 at 247-250; ECF No. 88 at 16; Exhibit 45A. Similarly, Mr. White's donations were in response to a solicitation email message he received from Respondent. ECF No. 60 at 199-200; Exhibit 64.

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[1] *See* Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code, Comment 5.

[2] Respondent has never explained her reason for partially reimbursing Mr. Brown, but none of the other donors.

II.

Legal Standard

Respondent's Motion is based upon NRCP 12(b)(1), (2) and (5) for lack of personal jurisdiction, lack of subject matter jurisdiction and failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. Motion, p. 6. The complaint cannot be dismissed pursuant to N.R.C.P. 12(b)(5) for a failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted unless it appears beyond a doubt that the plaintiff could prove no set of facts which, if accepted by the trier of fact, would entitle him to relief. *Edgar v. Wagner*, 101 Nev. 226, 699 P.2d 110 (1985), *cited, Hale v. Burkhardt*, 104 Nev. 632, at 636, 764 P.2d 866 (1988), *Marcoz v. Summa Corp.*, 106 Nev. 737, at 739, 801 P.2d 1346 (1990).

III.

Legal Argument

A. The Commission has jurisdiction over Respondent and this matter.

In *Fiore v. Nev. Comm. on Judicial Discipline*, Dockets No. 89037, 90650 and 90810, pp. 3-4 (April 10, 2026), Respondent argued that "[b]ecause the misconduct leading to the federal criminal action occurred before she took the bench, . . . the Commission cannot discipline her." However, the Nevada Supreme Court disagreed and held that the Commission has jurisdiction under NRS 1.440. *Id.* at 4. Of course, this holding continues to be binding upon the instant proceeding.

Four (4) factors are necessary for application of issue preclusion: (1) the issue decided in the prior litigation must be identical to the issue presented in the current action; (2) the initial ruling must have been on the merits and have become final; (3) the party against whom the judgment is asserted must have been a party or in privity with a party to the prior litigation; and (4) the issue was actually and necessarily litigated. *Five Star Capital Corp. v. Ruby*, 124 Nev. 1048, 194 P.3d 709 (2008), *cited, Bower v. Harrah's Laughlin*, 125 Nev. 470, at 481, 215 P.3d 709 (2009), *Elyousef v. O'Reilly & Ferrario,* LLC, 126 Nev. 441, at 445, 245 P.3d 547 (2010).

Here, (1) Respondent raised the identical issue of the Commission's jurisdiction over her and the instant disciplinary proceeding; (2) the Court's ruling was on the merits and has become final; (3) the parties are identical in the two (2) actions; and (4) the issue of jurisdiction was actually and necessarily litigated and determined in favor of the Commission. *Fiore v. Nev. Comm. on Judicial*

Discipline, Dockets No. 89037, 90650 and 90810, pp. 3-4 (April 10, 2026). Thus, the Commission should summarily reject Respondent's contention that the Commission lacks jurisdiction.

B. The FSOC states multiple claims against Respondent.

Next, the Motion states, "[t]he [FSOC] against Judge Fiore is constitutionally and legally deficient because it fails to identify the statutory grounds for discipline, fails to allege the violation of any enforceable legal duty, and improperly attempts to transform alleged pre-bench private conduct into a perpetual judicial ethics violation." Motion, p. 8 at lines 6-9. However, the FSOC provides sufficient due process to Respondent and states multiple claims against her.

1. The FSOC provides due process to Respondent.

The FSOC is "a document setting forth the specific acts of judicial misconduct." NRS 1.4267. Additionally, "[t]he [FSOC] must reference the relevant provisions of the [NRS], the [Code] and the Nevada Constitution and provide a clear statement of all acts and omissions which are alleged to warrant action by the Commission." PRJDC 15.

"Due process is satisfied by giving both parties a meaningful opportunity to present their case," by affording notice and an opportunity to be heard. *J.D. Constr. v. IBEX Int'l Grp.*, 126 Nev. 366, 376, 240 P.3d 1033, 1040 (2010); *see also Dutchess Bus. Servs., Inc. v. Nev. State Bd. of Pharmacy*, 124 Nev. 701, 711, 191 P.3d 1159, 1166 (2008) ("Administrative bodies must follow their established procedural guidelines and give notice to the defending party of the issues on which the decision will turn and the factual material on which the agency relies for decision so that he may rebut it."). It "is the opportunity to prepare a defense that defines due process." *Dutchess Bus. Servs.*, 124 Nev. at 712, 191 P.3d at 1167.

Here, the FSOC initially references the required legal authorities for invoking its jurisdiction in this matter. FSOC, p. 2 at lines 2-5. Next, the FSOC alleges the "specific acts" of Respondent that "warrant action by the Commission." FSOC, pp. 2-3. The FSOC then sets forth three (3) separate counts of Code violations and incorporates the factual allegations into each count. FSOC, pp. 3-4. Finally, the FSOC concludes:

> Judge Fiore's actions constitute either knowing and deliberate violations of the Code or violations that were not knowing and deliberate. Both types of violations are contrary to the form, force and effect of the [Code].

FSOC, p. 4 at lines 18-20.

As the Commission well knows and Respondent and her counsel appear to know based upon the content of the Motion, NRS 1.4653 sets forth the circumstances under which a judge may be disciplined. NRS 1.4653 provides in pertinent part:

> 1. The Commission may remove a judge, publicly censure a judge or impose other forms of discipline on a judge if the Commission determines that the judge:
> (a) Has committed willful misconduct.
> (b) Has willfully or persistently failed to perform the duties of office; or
> (c) Is habitually intemperate.
> 2. The Commission may publicly censure a judge or impose other forms of discipline on a judge if the Commission determines that the judge has violated one or more of the provisions of the [Code] in a manner that is not knowing or deliberate.
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> 5. As used in this section:
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> (b) "Willful misconduct" includes:
> (1) Conviction of any crime involving moral turpitude;
> (2) A knowing or deliberate violation of one or more of the provisions of the [Code]; and
> (3) A knowing or deliberate act or omission in the performance of judicial or administrative duties that:
> (I) Involves fraud or bad faith or amounts to a public offense; and
> (II) Tends to corrupt or impair the administration of justice in a judicial proceeding.
> The term does not include claims of error or abuse of discretion in findings of fact, legal decisions or procedural rulings unless supported by evidence of abuse of authority, a disregard for fundamental rights, an intentional disregard of the law, a pattern of legal error or an action taken for a purpose other than the faithful discharge of judicial duty.

Of course, given the language in the final paragraph of the FSOC, it takes no imagination simply "to connect the dots" between the allegations and the corresponding subsections of NRS 1.4654. The FSOC provides notice of the matters and evidence that the Commission will consider at the hearing in this matter, satisfying Nevada's due process requirements. However, in the unlikely event that the Commission determines that the FSOC is not sufficiently clear and concise, the undersigned Special Counsel hereby requests leave to amend the FSOC pursuant to NRS 1.4267 as sought by Respondent in her Motion. Motion, p. 9 at lines 5-7.

2. Multiple legal obligations exist.

The Motion next contends that the FSOC "never identifies the underlying legal obligation Judge Fiore allegedly violated" in Count One. Motion, p. 9 at lines 9-11. While such specificity is

not required in the FSOC, Respondent's actions constitute violations of various provisions of Nevada law.

Criminal embezzlement is defined in NRS 205.300, which provides in relevant portion:

> 1. Any bailee of any money, goods or property, who converts it to his or her own use, with the intent to steal it or to defraud the owner or owners thereof and any agent, manager or clerk of any person, corporation, association or partnership, or any person with whom any money, property or effects have been deposited or entrusted, who uses or appropriates the money, property or effects or any part thereof in any manner or for any other purpose than that for which they were deposited or entrusted, is guilty of embezzlement, and shall be punished in the manner prescribed by law for the stealing or larceny of property of the kind and name of the money, goods, property or effects so taken, converted, stolen, used or appropriated.
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> 3. Any use of the money, goods or property by any bailee thereof, other than that for which it was borrowed, hired, deposited, carried, received or collected, is prima facie evidence of conversion and of intent to steal the same and defraud the owner or owners thereof.
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> 4. The term "bailee," as used in this section, means all persons with whom any money, goods or property has been deposited, all persons to whom any goods or property has been loaned or hired, all persons to whom any goods or property has been delivered, and all persons who are, either as agent, collector or servant, empowered, authorized or entrusted to carry, collect or receive any money, goods or property of another.

Alternatively, civil conversion is "a distinct act of dominion wrongfully exerted over another's personal property in denial of, or inconsistent with his title or rights therein . . . ." *Evans v. Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.*, 116 Nev. 598, 606, 5 P.3d 1043, 1048 (2000) (*quoting Wantz v. Redfield*, 74 Nev. 196, 198, 326 P.2d 413, 414 (1958)). Although conversion is not excused by mere good faith, *id.*, the Nevada Supreme Court has long held that where there is genuine doubt as to the rightful ownership of property, a party may properly "resort to the judicial process" to resolve that doubt. *Wantz*, 74 Nev. at 198, 326 P.2d at 414.

Similarly, "[u]njust enrichment exists when the plaintiff confers a benefit on the defendant, the defendant appreciates such benefit, and there is acceptance and retention by the defendant of such benefit under circumstances such that it would be inequitable for him to retain the benefit without payment of the value thereof." *Certified Fire Prot. Inc. v. Precision Constr. Inc.*, 128 Nev. 371, 381, 283 P.3d 250, 257 (2012)g (internal quotation marks omitted). Benefit "denotes any form of advantage," including but not limited to retention of money or property. *Id.* at 382, 283 P.3d at 257 (internal quotation omitted).

Respondent's solicitation and receipt of the funds in question occurred in late 2019 and early 2020. The statute of limitations had not yet elapsed on the state criminal or civil claims that could be brought against her at the time of filing the FSOC. *See* NRS 171.085 (general limitation periods for violations of NRS 205.300); NRS 171.095(1)(a) (tolling criminal statutes for concealed offenses); NRS 11.190(2)(c) (unjust enrichment); *Petersen v. Bruen*, 106 Nev. 271, 274, 792 P.2d 18, 20 (1990) (civil discovery rule tolls statute of limitations until "an injured party discovers or reasonably should have discovered" the harm). Because Respondent's conduct did not become public until the fall of 2024, the statute of limitations period on these claims has not yet elapsed. As long as a victim has an enforceable right to recover funds wrongfully retained, Respondent has an ethical and legal obligation to return the money. *See, e.g.*, Canon 1, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 of the Code.

3. Respondent's conduct constitutes impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.

Next, Respondent's Motion asserts there is no continuing judicial ethics violation in Count Two of the FSOC and asks, "**what legal event transformed an allegedly completed pre-office misrepresentation into a continuing duty to repay enforceable through judicial discipline?**" Motion, p. 10 at lines 21-22 (emphasis in original). The answer is simple, when Respondent became a judicial officer on December 21, 2022, the Code attached to her and she was immediately **required** to "act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and [to] avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety." Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code.

Here, when Respondent became a judge, she failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors. Then, on October 3, 2024, Respondent was found guilty by a jury of one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349) and six (6) counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1343), all felonies, based upon Respondent's fraudulent use of the donations. *United States v. Fiore*, U.S. Dist. Crt. Case No. 2:24-cr-00155 (Nev. 2024). Certainly, Respondent's conduct was improper or, at a minimum, creates in reasonable minds a perception that the Judge violated the Code or engaged in other conduct that

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reflects adversely on the Judge's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a Judge. Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code, Comment 5.

4. Respondent's conviction constitutes impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.

Finally, Respondent claims in her Motion that her "pre-judicial conduct and a later jury verdict that, by itself, does not establish judicial misconduct" for Count Three of the FSOC. Motion, p. 11 at lines 23-24. However, Respondent fails to cite any relevant legal authority to support her contention.

Initially, the President's pardon of Respondent on April 23, 2025, does not preclude the Commission from considering Respondent's conduct for disciplinary purposes. In Nevada, "the effect of a pardon does not erase the historical fact of the conviction[.]" *In re Sang Man Shin*, 125 Nev. 100, 110, 206 P.3d 91, 98 (2009). The Nevada Supreme Court has specifically "retreat[ed] from [its] prior decisions ... to the extent they imply that a pardon blots out guilt and erases the historical fact of the underlying conviction." *Id.* at 110, 206 P.3d at 97-98. In doing so, the Court agreed with the rationale of federal appellate courts that a pardon "'does nothing more than to abolish all restrictions upon the liberty of the pardoned one,'" but does not eliminate or eradicate the finding of guilt. *Id.* at 107, 206 P.3d at 95 (*citing Groseclose v. Plummer*, 106 F.2d 311, 313 (9th Cir. 1939)).

As these federal courts held, a presidential pardon does not reverse the legal conclusion of the courts. *See Nixon v. United States*, 506 U.S. 224, 232 (1993) ("a pardon is in no sense an overturning of a judgment of conviction"); *Hirschberg v. Commodity Futures Trading Comm'n*, 414 F.3d 679, 682 (7th Cir. 2005) (a pardon "does not blot out guilt or expunge a judgment of conviction" (internal quotations omitted)). Nor can a pardon create a factual fiction that a guilty verdict did not occur. *United States v. Noonan*, 906 F.2d 952, 958-59 (3d Cir. 1990). Instead, a pardon "preclude[s] future *punishment* for the conviction," but does "not prohibit all *consequences* of a pardoned conviction." *Hirschberg*, 414 F.3d at 682 (emphasis in original).

The Nevada Supreme Court has previously rejected Respondent's argument that disciplinary action is a "punishment" as opposed to a "consequence" of her pardon. In *In re Sang Man Shin*, the Court relied upon *In re Abrams*, 689 A.2d 6 (D.C. 1997) and *Dixon v. McMullen*, 527 F. Supp. 711

(N.D. Tex. 1981) in support if its holding that a pardon of a criminal conviction does not "create[] a civil right" to escape the consequences associated with the underlying verdict. 125 Nev. at 107-110, 206 P.3d at 96-98.

Those cases, cited with approval and relied upon the Court, are dispositive of Respondent's arguments. Specifically, in *In re Abrams*, the D.C. Court of Appeals found that an attorney was subject to discipline by the local bar association for a crime he pled guilty to, notwithstanding a subsequent presidential pardon. 689 A.2d at 9-12. The court offered the following analogy:

> Suppose that an alcoholic surgeon performs an operation while intoxicated. He botches the surgery. The patient dies. The surgeon is convicted of manslaughter and is sentenced to imprisonment. The President grants him a full and unconditional pardon. According to Abrams, the surgeon now has the result, as result of the pardon to continue to operate on other patients, without any interference from the medical licensing authorities. The proposition that the alcoholic but pardoned surgeon ... cannot be disciplined is, in our view, altogether unacceptable and even irrational...

Id. at 10-11.

The court went on to note that while a pardon removes "all legal punishment," "if character is a necessary qualification and the commission of the crime would disqualify even though there had been no criminal prosecution for the crime, the fact that the criminal has been convicted and pardoned does not make him any more eligible." *Id.* at 11 (internal quotations omitted). Similarly, in *Dixon*, the Texas federal district court reasoned that a pardon "may remove some disabilities but does not change the common-law principle that a conviction of an infamous offense is evidence of bad character." 527 F. Supp. at 718.

Other jurisdictions similarly hold that a pardon does not eliminate jurisdiction for discipline by civil regulatory bodies. *See Feinstein v. State Bar of Cal.*, 248 P.2d 3, 7 (Cal. 1952) (a pardon does not automatically mean that an attorney has complied with the "essentials required of an attorney-at-law"); *Branch v. State*, 163 So. 48, 49 (Fla. 1935) (same); *Matter of Beck*, 342 N.E.2d 611, 614-15 (Ind. 1976) (pardons do not nullify disbarment); *Nelson v. Commonwealth*, 109 S.W. 337, 338-40 (Ky. 1908) (pardons do not restore character or fitness to practice law); *In re Kaufmann*, 157 N.E. 730, 733 (N.Y. 1927) (a pardon does not "restore to the fellowship of the bar" if "there has been a failure to live up to the standards of morality and honor"); *Hankamer v. Templin*, 187 S.W.2d 549, 550 (Tex. 1945) (pardon does not restore privilege to practice law). As these courts explain,

discipline is not "part of the punishment inflicted for the commission of crime," but is instead a consequence of "misconduct ...which shows [them] to be a person unfit to engage in the practice of law." *Branch*, 163 So. at 49.

Similarly, here, the Commission's proceedings are not a punishment, but a consequence. As both the Nevada Supreme Court and other courts have held, the fact of a guilty verdict creates an appearance of impropriety that warrants discipline of public officers. *See e.g., Egan v. Jones*, 21 Nev. 433, 32 P. 929, 930 (1893) (interpreting a former constitutional provision disqualifying those who are "convicted" of bribery in elections from holding public office); *State v. Nix*, 249 N.E.3d 134, 142-43 (Ohio 2024) (Ohio's judicial discipline statute disqualifies a person from holding public office upon the return of a guilty verdict). As these courts explain, "[a]fter verdict of guilty ... the presumption of innocence ceases[.]" *Campbell v. State*, 781 S.W.2d 14, 17 (Ark. 1989) (internal quotations omitted); *see also Wilson v. Goodwyn*, 522 F. Supp. 1214, 1215-16 (E.D.N.C. 1981) (same). Thus, even when a conviction is later reversed (or here, pardoned), there is too great a risk of "loss of public confidence in those who govern which inevitably accompanies the spectacle of officeholders who have been found guilty of an offense which disqualifies them for public trust, yet continue to hold the office[.]" *Campbell*, 781 S.W. 2d at 18; *see also Lubin v. Wilson*, 284 Cal. Rptr. 70, 73 (Ct. App. 1991) ("The statutory scheme [precluding convicted public officials from holding office after trial court judgment] advances compelling interest for honesty, integrity and confidence of the public in government, which is greater than the convicted person's interest in the office.").

Furthermore, as noted above, the statutes of limitation against Respondent for state criminal and civil charges have not all elapsed. If the Nevada Attorney General's office decides to file criminal charges against Respondent under NRS 205.300, NRS 205.305, and NRS 171.095, the presidential pardon is of no effect. *See* U.S. Const. Art. II § 2. Likewise, if a donor/victim decides to file a civil action for embezzlement or unjust enrichment, the presidential pardon is of no effect. *See id.* Accordingly, the pardon does not prevent the Commission from proceeding in this case.

Respondent resorts to claiming that the Commission's actions related to Respondent's suspensions underscores the lack of a consistent disciplinary theory. Motion, pp. 12-14. However, the Commission was simply complying with the applicable statutes.

As thoroughly explained in the Commission's Order (1) Rescinding Respondent's Suspension from the Exercise of Judicial Office without Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) Suspending Respondent from the Exercise of Judicial Office with Salary pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4) dated May 19, 2025 ("Order"), the Commission was complying with NRS 1.4675 and PRJDC 9, which govern the circumstances under which a judge may be **suspended with or without pay**. Clearly, the Commission's actions do not prohibit the Commission from proceeding with the FSOC under the circumstances.

IV.

Conclusion

Incredibly, Respondent continues to be in complete denial that she did anything wrong and that her actions **do not constitute** compliance with the law or promoting confidence in the judiciary in violation of Canon 1, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 of the Code. Respondent and her counsel conveniently recall only those few facts that are favorable to Respondent and completely disregard the Commission's Order dated May 19, 2025, and the Nevada Supreme Court's Order Dismissing Appeal, Denying Petition, and Affirming Interim Suspension dated April 10, 2026. Respondent's Motion contains no credible grounds or applicable legal basis for the Commission to dismiss the FSOC filed in this matter. Therefore, Special Counsel respectfully requests an order from the Commission denying Respondent's Motion.

DATED this 26th day of May, 2026.

By: _____
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of this OPPOSITION TO RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO DISMISS was sent via electronic mail and U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

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Statement	Document	Location
"Fiore has neither repaid any of the funds to the donors, nor informed the donors that the funds were not used for the statue, even after becoming a judicial officer"	2025.05.02 Verified Statement of Complaint	**Page 3, paragraph 2**
"When the funds were not used for the promised purpose, Fiore came under a continuing legal and/or ethical obligation to notify the donors and return the funds, which she has repeatedly and continuously failed to do since becoming a judge"	2025.05.02 Verified Statement of Complaint	**Page 3, paragraph 3**
" Here, the evidence of Respondents dishonesty and retention of funds maintained under false pretenses "reveal[s] a current, emergent threat to the judiciary" and requires the Commission to impose interim suspension "to protect against anticipated future harm, including harm to the public's perception of the judicial system" pursuant to NRS 1.4675(4)	2025.05.19 Order (1) Rescinding Respondent's Suspension From the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) Suspending Respondent From the Exercise of Judicial Office With Salary NRS 1.4675(4)	**Page 5 Lines 2-5**
"Respondents continuing deceit of the charitable donors and her unjust enrichment at the expense of the slain police officer statue harms the public's perception of the judicial system and its confidence in the system's legitimacy, creates the appearance of impropriety, reflects adversely on the Respondent's honesty and character, and undermines her ability to impose justice and to apply the law fairly"	2025.05.19 Order (1) Rescinding Respondent's Suspension From the Exercise of Judicial Office Without Salary Pursuant to NRS 1.4675(2)(b); (2) Suspending Respondent From the Exercise of Judicial Office With Salary NRS 1.4675(4)	**Page 5, Lines 6-10**
" After Becoming a judicial officer on December 21,2022 Judge Fiore failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors"	2026.04.24 – Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 2, Lines 23-26**
"...after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law)."	2026.04.24 – Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 3, Lines 18-21**

"...after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code (requiring a judge to act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence inn the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and avoiding impropriety and the appearance of impropriety). Judge Fiores Wrongful Retention of the donations and unjust enrichment creates in reasonable minds a perception that Judge Fiore's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge is adversely affected"	2026.04.24 – Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 3, Lines 25-28** **Page 4, Lines 1-6**
"Michele Fiore and later Judge Fiore came under legal obligation to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and / or return the donations"	2026.08.07 – Amended Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 2, Lines 20-22**
" After becoming a judicial officer on December 21,2022, Judge Fiore failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors."	2026.08.07 – Amended Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 2, Lines 23-26**
"...after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly failed to comply with the laws related to criminal embezzlement, civil conversion and/or unjust enrichment in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code(requiring a judge to comply with the law)"	2026.08.07 – Amended Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 3, Lines 18-22**
"... after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code, (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code (requiring a judge to act at all times in a manner that promotes public	2026.08.07 – Amended Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 5, Lines 2-10**

confidence inn the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and avoiding impropriety and the appearance of impropriety).		
"By being found guilty by a jury of her peers of seven (7) felonies involving crimes of fraud and moral turpitude and by having that guilty verdict upheld by the trial court judge... after being sworn in as a judicial officer, violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code (requiring a judge to avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety) The jury's guilty verdict creates in reasonable minds a perception that Judge Fiore's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge is adversely affected."	2026.08.07 – Amended Formal Statement of Charges	**Page 5, Lines 15-23**
"... Respondent violated while on the bench in violation of Canon, Rule 1.1 of the revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct "Code"..."	2026.05.26 – Opposition to Respondent's MTD	**Page 1, Line 24-25**
" Additionally, Respondent's violation of the law do not promote public confidence in the independence, integrity and impartiality of the judiciary pr avoid impropriety or the appearance of impropriety in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code.."	2026.05.26 – Opposition to Respondent's MTD	**Page 1, Lines 27-28** **Page 2, Line 1**
"Finally, without a doubt, Respondent being found guilty of seven (7) felonies involving wire fraud by a jury of her peers on October 3,2024, while serving as a Justice of the Peace creates in reasonable minds a perception that the Judge violated the Code or engaged in other conduct that reflects adversely on the Judge's honesty, impartially, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge in violation of Canon 1, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 of the Code..."	2026.05.26 – Opposition to Respondent's MTD	**Page 2, Lines 2-6**
" Because Respondent's conduct did not become public until the fall of 2024, the statute of limitations period on the claims has not yet	2026.05.26 – Opposition to Respondent's MTD	**Page 7, Lines 7-10**

elapsed. As long as victim has an enforceable right to recover funds wrongfully retained, Respondent has an ethical and legal obligation to return the money.		
"Here, when Respondent became a judge, she failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors."	2026.05.26 – Opposition to Respondent's MTD	**Page 7. Lines 20-22**
"Incredibly, Respondent continues to bed in complete denial that she did anything wrong and that her actions **do not constitute** compliance with the law or promoting confidence in the judiciary in violation of Canon 1, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 of the Code"	2026.05.26 – Opposition to Respondent's MTD	**Page 10, Lines 10-11**
"Allowing a Judge to resume the bench with pay after they have been found guilty of seven felonies does not inspire confidence in the legal system, even if that judge is later determined to have been wrongfully convicted"	2025.06.06 – Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 18, Paragraph 1 Line 3**
" Given the nature of the additional complaints against Fiore, specifically given that "...Fiore continued to defraud the donors by keeping donations to which she was not entitled and continued to fail to notify them she used their funds for personal expenses instead of the statute..." (*Id)* and has "... provided no evidence or testimony that she notified the donors after becoming a judicial officer or that the repaid them or intends to repay them..." (*Id*) "...the evidence adduced in the criminal case (*Id*) has deeply affected the public's perception of [Fiore's continues honesty and integrity, and that her return to full judicial duties pending the disposition of the additional complaints poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public and to the administration of justice..." (*Id)*	2025.08.13 – Answer to Petition for Writ of Mandamus and Prohibition.	**Page 6, Section b**

Hence, the NCJD concluded that an interim suspension"... is warranted to protect the integrity of the judiciary pending resolution of the case...""		
The NCJD Commission clearly has jurisdiction over misconduct committed by Judge Fiore for actions / inactions ***after*** she became a judge, particularly where, as here, the statute of limitations has not yest expired for the donors / victims of Fiore's activities and misuse of donation funds	2025.08.13 – Answer to Petition for Writ of Mandamus and Prohibition.	**Page 12, paragraph 3**
"... if the victims of Fiore's dishonesty can still file civil lawsuits against her, certainly the NCJD is with its rights to file charges, if warranted, for violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct"	2025.08.13 – Answer to Petition for Writ of Mandamus and Prohibition.	**Page 13, Paragraph 1 last sentence**
"The plain fact is that Fiore remains in possession of monies that do not belong to her. Hence, she has an ethical duty to return the funds under the Code of Judicial Conduct."	2025.08.13 – Answer to Petition for Writ of Mandamus and Prohibition.	**Page 13, Paragraph 3, Last 2 sentences**
"Fiore is ethically obligated to return the funds that are in her possession that do not belong to her, but has not done so. In this simple way, Fiores Violations of the Nevada's Code of Judicial Conduct continue, even through the present time.	2025.08.13 – Answer to Petition for Writ of Mandamus and Prohibition.	**Page 13 Last sentence – Page 14 1st Paragraph**
" Although these counts are based on conduct that occurred before Judge Fiore assumed the office of justice of the peace, the criminal indictment, trial and verdict occurred while Judge Fiore was on the bench."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 1 Paragraph 1, Last sentence**
"...***after becoming a judicial officer*** and accepting the great responsibility of preserving the principles of justice and the rule of law in the State of Nevada, [Judge] Fiore continues to defraud the donors by keeping donations to which she was not entitled and continued to fail to notify them she used their funds for personal expenses instead of for the statue. [Judge] Fiore	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 3-4 mini paragraph**

has provided no evidence or testimony that she notified the donors ***after becoming a judicial officer*** or that she repaid them or intends to repay them."		
"The Commission noted that " after becoming a judicial officer... [Judge Fiore] continued to defraud the donors by keeping donations to which she was not entitled and continues to fail to notify them she used their funds for personal expenses[.]"	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 4 paragraph 1 last sentence**
"Finally, the Commission found that Judge Fiore did not present any evidence that Judge Fiore notified donors after becoming a judge or intends to repay donors."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 4, paragraph 2 Last sentence**
" NRS 1.440(1). Judge Fiore's improper retention of funds since becoming a judicial officer violated Canon 1 of the Revised Code of Nevada Judicial Conduct ("NCJC") because it does not promote integrity in the judiciary and gives rise to both impropriety and the appearance of impropriety."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 5 Summary of Argument – Lines 5-9**
"Judge Fiore continued to wrongfully retain funds and failed to notify donors of her improper use of those funds provided to her."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 7, Section I, Last sentence of section A**
" The Commission further found that Judge Fiore did not provide evidence that she "notified donors ***after becoming a judicial officer*** or that she repaid them or intends to repay them". *Id* (Emphasis added). Judge Fiore's improper retention of money wrongfully taken since becoming a judicial officer violates Canon 1 of the NCJC."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 8, First 5 lines of page**
" Since becoming justice of the peace, Judge Fiore has been found guilty by a jury of committing fraud; yet she has not repaid the amounts wrongfully taken or notified donors who were unaware of her wrongful conduct. This does not promote "integrity" in the judiciary. Judge Fiore's retention of these funds and her failure to	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 8, Paragraph 2 lines 11-17**

notify the donors of her wrongdoing gives rise to both "impropriety and the appearance of impropriety" in violation of Rule 1.2. *See* NCJC 1.2		
"Because Judge Fiore's conduct did not become public until the fall of 2024, the statute of limitations period on these claims has not yet elapsed. As long as a victim has an enforceable right to recover funds wrongfully retained, Judge Fiore has an ethical and legal obligation to return the money..." "Given the guilty verdict it is clear that Judge Fiore's retention of funds is a violation of law."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 9, Paragraph 2, 11-17**
"The testimony the Commission relied upon in its order occurred during Judge Fiore's criminal trial ***as of September 2024 – when Judge Fiore was a justice of the peace*** – they had not been reimbursed for the funds Judge Fiore solicited from them under false pretenses."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 10, Paragraph 1**
"... Judge Fiore's ***retention*** pf these funds since becoming a justice of the peace, not her underlying solicitation. APP 123. This is conduct that has been occurring since she took the bench in 2022 and is still ongoing, well within NRS 1.4655(2)'s 3-year period"	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 10, Section B**
" Thus, two years after assuming the bench, Judge Fiore was still concealing evidence of her misconduct from victims"	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 11, Paragraph 3, 2nd to last sentence**
" Judge Fiore does not and cannot dispute that she was indicted and found guilty within 3 years of the Commission's complaint, tat she continues to retain funds that a jury found her to have obtained fraudulently within the past 3 years, and that she has not repaid these funds or notified other donors since assuming the bench 3 years ago."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 14, Paragraph 2**

" AOB, 19 The NCJC Canon 1, Rules 1.1 and 1.2 require Judge Fiore to avoid actual impropriety and/ or the appearance of impropriety, Retaining fraudulently obtained funds does not comply with these rules."	2025.10.17 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Answering Brief	**Page 20, paragraph 2**
"As both thus Court and other courts have held, the fact of a guilty verdict creates an appearance of impropriety that warrants discipline of public officers."	2025.12.08 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Response to Appellant's Motion for Expedited relief	**Page 5 Paragraph 2 2nd sentence.**
" Judge Fiore continued to wrongfully retain funds and failed to notify donors of her improper use of those funds provided to her. APP 123 (emphasis added). The Commission further found that Judge Fiore did not provide evidence that she "notified donors ***after becoming a judicial officer*** or that she repaid them or intends to repay them". *Id* (Emphasis added). Her retention of these funds and failure to notify donors violate Canon 1 of the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct ("NCJC")"	2025.12.08 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Response to Appellant's Motion for Expedited relief	**Page 6, Paragraph 1, first 3 sentences**
" ..Judge Fior's criminal trial, the evidence, trial and verdict also occurred after Fiore took the bench on December 2022 as a justice of the peace. The testimony the Commission relied upon in it's order occurred dur9ng Judge Fiore's criminal trial in September 2024, at which at least ten victtims testified that ***as of Septempber 2024 – when Judge Fiore was a justice of the peace –*** they had not been reimbursed for the funds Judge Fiore solicited from them under false pretenses.	2025.12.08 - Respondent The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline's Response to Appellant's Motion for Expedited relief	**Page 6, paragraph 2**

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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONORABLE, MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada,

Respondent.

Case No.: 2025-108-P

FIRST AMENDED FORMAL STATEMENT OF CHARGES

THOMAS J. DONALDSON, Special Counsel before the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("Commission"), hereby files this First Amended Formal Statement of Charges and informs the Honorable MICHELE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada, ("Judge Fiore" or "Respondent"), that she violated the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct (sometimes referred to as "the Code") as alleged herein.

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JURISDICTION

The Commission has jurisdiction to discipline a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of appeals, a district judge, a justice of the peace or a municipal court judge for violations of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct. *See* Nev. Const. art. 6, § 21; NRS 1.425 *et seq.*; Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct.

Judge Fiore was sworn in as a justice of the peace on or about December 21, 2022, and is currently suspended from the exercise of office with pay pursuant to NRS 1.4675. Judge Fiore committed all actions described in Counts I through III, herein, while serving as a justice of the peace.

BACKGROUND FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. In or about 2019 to 2020, prior to becoming a judicial officer, Michele Fiore solicited monetary donations for the creation of a statue in honor of two (2) slain Las Vegas Metropolitan Police officers. Michele Fiore represented to prospective donors that the funds would be used solely for the construction of the statue and received approximately $70,000 from donors for that purpose. The statue was completed in approximately January of 2020, but none of the funds raised by Judge Fiore were spent on the construction of the statue.

B. When the donations specifically raised for the construction of the statue could not be used for that purpose, Michele Fiore and later Judge Fiore came under a legal obligation to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or to return the donations.

C. After becoming a judicial officer on December 21, 2022, Judge Fiore failed to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, failed to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or failed to return the donations to the donors.

D. On October 3, 2024, almost two years after becoming a judicial officer, Judge Fiore was

found guilty by a jury of one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349) and six (6) counts of Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1343), all felonies, based upon Judge Fiore's fraudulent use of the donations. *United States of America v. Michele Fiore*, 2:24-cr-00155-JAD-DJA.

E. Following the jury's verdict but before sentencing, Judge Fiore filed motions for acquittal and for a new trial arguing, *inter alia*, the evidence adduced at trial did not support the jury's verdict.

F. On April 18, 2025, U.S. District Court Judge Jennifer Dorsey denied Judge Fiore's motions.

G. On April 23, 2025, prior to the imposition of sentence, but after all post-trial motions were adjudicated, Judge Fiore received a "full and unconditional pardon" from the President of the United States.

H. On April 28, 2025, Judge Dorsey vacated the federal sentencing date and closed the criminal case without issuing an order of dismissal.

COUNT ONE

By failing to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, by failing to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or by failing to return the donations as alleged in Paragraphs A through H above, Judge Fiore, after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly failed to comply with the laws related to criminal embezzlement, civil conversion and/or unjust enrichment in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law).

Criminal embezzlement is defined in NRS 205.300, which provides in relevant portion:

> 1. Any bailee of any money, goods or property, who converts it to his or her own use, with the intent to steal it or to defraud the owner or owners thereof and any agent, manager or clerk of any person, corporation, association or partnership, or any person with whom any money, property or effects have been deposited or entrusted, who uses or appropriates the money, property or effects or any part thereof in any manner or for any other purpose than that for which they were deposited or entrusted, is guilty of embezzlement, and shall be punished in the

> manner prescribed by law for the stealing or larceny of property of the kind and name of the money, goods, property or effects so taken, converted, stolen, used or appropriated.
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> 3. Any use of the money, goods or property by any bailee thereof, other than that for which it was borrowed, hired, deposited, carried, received or collected, is prima facie evidence of conversion and of intent to steal the same and defraud the owner or owners thereof.
> 4. The term "bailee," as used in this section, means all persons with whom any money, goods or property has been deposited, all persons to whom any goods or property has been loaned or hired, all persons to whom any goods or property has been delivered, and all persons who are, either as agent, collector or servant, empowered, authorized or entrusted to carry, collect or receive any money, goods or property of another.

Alternatively, civil conversion is "a distinct act of dominion wrongfully exerted over another's personal property in denial of, or inconsistent with his title or rights therein .... " *Evans v. Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.*, 116 Nev. 598, 606, 5 P.3d 1043, 1048 (2000) (*quoting Wantz v. Redfield*, 74 Nev. 196, 198, 326 P.2d 413, 414 (1958)). Although conversion is not excused by mere good faith, *id.*, the Nevada Supreme Court has long held that where there is genuine doubt as to the rightful ownership of property, a party may properly "resort to the judicial process" to resolve that doubt. *Wantz*, 74 Nev. at 198, 326 P.2d at 414.

Similarly, "[u]njust enrichment exists when the plaintiff confers a benefit on the defendant, the defendant appreciates such benefit, and there is acceptance and retention by the defendant of such benefit under circumstances such that it would be inequitable for him to retain the benefit without payment of the value thereof." *Certified Fire Prof. Inc. v. Precision Constr. Inc.*, 128 Nev. 371, 381, 283 P.3d 250, 257 (2012) (internal quotation marks omitted). Benefit "denotes any form of advantage," including but not limited to retention of money or property. *Id.* at 382, 283 P.3d at 257 (internal quotation omitted).

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COUNT TWO

By failing to notify the donors that the specific purpose of their donations was abrogated, by failing to request instructions regarding alternative use of the donations and/or by failing to return the donations as alleged in Paragraphs A through H above, Judge Fiore, after being sworn in as a judicial officer, knowingly or unknowingly violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code (requiring a judge to act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity and impartiality of the judiciary and avoiding impropriety and the appearance of impropriety). Judge Fiore's ongoing wrongful retention of the donations and unjust enrichment creates in reasonable minds a perception that Judge Fiore's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge is adversely affected.

COUNT THREE

By being found guilty by a jury of her peers of seven (7) felonies involving crimes of fraud and moral turpitude and by having that guilty verdict upheld by the trial court judge, as alleged in Paragraphs A through H above, Judge Fiore, after being sworn in as a judicial officer, violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1 of the Code (requiring a judge to comply with the law including the Code) and Canon 1, Rule 1.2 of the Code (requiring a judge to avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety). The jury's guilty verdict creates in reasonable minds a perception that Judge Fiore's honesty, impartiality, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge is adversely affected.

Judge Fiore's actions constitute either knowing and deliberate violations of the Code or violations that were not knowing and deliberate. Both types of violations are contrary to the form, force and effect of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct.

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Respectfully submitted,

DATED: August 7, 2026.

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THOMAS J. DONALDSON, being first duly sworn under oath according to Nevada law, and under penalty of perjury, hereby states:

1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada. I have been retained by the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline to serve in the capacity of Special Counsel in the matter of the Honorable Michele Fiore, Case No. 2025-108-P.

2. I have prepared and reviewed this First Amended Formal Statement of Charges against the Honorable Michele Fiore, and, pursuant to the investigation conducted in this matter, and based on the contents of that investigation and following reasonable inquiry, I am informed and believe that the contents of this First Amended Formal Statement of Charges are true and accurate.

DATED: 8/7/2026 By: _____
Thomas J. Donaldson, Esq.

State of Nevada
Carson City

Subscribed and sworn before me, a Notary Public
This 7th day of August, 2026.

SUZETTE TURLEY
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BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

DECLARATION OF SERVICE

Case No :2025-108

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONORABLE MICHELLE FIORE, Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice Court, Nye County, State of Nevada

STATE OF NEVADA
COUNTY OF CLARK ss.:

FIRST AMENDED FORMAL STATEMENT OF CHARGES Received by NOW! Services, Inc. on 08/07/2026 with instructions to serve **HONORABLE MICHELLE FIORE c/o Paola Armenia, Esq. of Clark Hill, PLCC at 1700 S. Pavilion Center Drive, Ste. 400, Las Vegas, NV89135.**

I, Diana Brown R-2021-03662, being duly sworn says: That at all times herein affiant was and is a citizen of the United States, over 18 years of age, not a party to or interested in the proceeding in which this affidavit is made.

I am authorized to serve this process in the circuit/county it was served in.

On **08/07/2026** at **1:10 PM**, I served the within **FIRST AMENDED FORMAL STATEMENT OF CHARGES** on **HONORABLE MICHELLE FIORE c/o Paola Armenia, Esq. of Clark Hill, PLCC at 1700 S. Pavilion Center Drive, Ste. 400, Las Vegas, NV89135** in the manner indicated below:

SUITABLE AGE: By delivering thereat a true copy of each to **WILLIAM SCHULLER ESQ**, Attorney authorized to accept service on behalf of **HONORABLE MICHELLE FIORE c/o Paola Armenia, Esq. of Clark Hill, PLCC**, a person of suitable age and discretion. Said premises is **HONORABLE MICHELLE FIORE c/o Paola Armenia, Esq. of Clark Hill, PLCC's** usual place of business within the state.

A description of the Recipient, or other person served on behalf of the Recipient is as follows:

Sex	Color of skin/race	Color of hair	Age	Height	Weight
Male	Caucasian	Bald	45	5'9"-6'0"	161-180 lbs
Other Features:					

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 11 of Aug, 2026.

No Notary is required per NRS 53.045.

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Investigation Report

May 28, 2025

Re: 2025-108



On May 2, 2025, at the request of Paul C. Deyhle, General Counsel and Executive Director for the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline (NCJD), an investigation was requested regarding allegations of possible misconduct committed by Pahrump Township Justice Court Judge Michele Fiore.

INVESTIGATIVE FOCUS:

The Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline ("The Commission") authorized the Executive Director of the Commission to file a complaint against the Respondent, Pahrump Township Justice Court Judge Michele Fiore, at a special Commission meeting which was held on May 2, 2025.

The complaint stemmed from the October 3, 2024, guilty verdicts against the Respondent after her trial in United States Federal District Court in Las Vegas. At the conclusion of her trial, the Respondent was found guilty, by a jury, of six (6) counts of Wire Fraud and one count of Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud. The case involved the Respondent soliciting monetary donations from several donors to pay for the creation of a statue in honor of a slain Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Officer named Alyn Beck. The Respondent received a Presidential Pardon prior to her sentencing.

I was requested by the Director of the Commission to conduct an expedited investigation concerning the Respondent's involvement in a criminal matter. The investigation was to include interviewing one of the victims in the criminal case and reviewing the court transcripts.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The complaint in this matter alleged that between 2019 and 2020, the Respondent solicited funds for the creation of a statue in honor of Officer Beck. The Respondent advised potential donors that any donated funds would only be used for the creation of the statue. Respondent received approximately $70,000 from various donors. During the Respondent's Federal trial, it was proved that no donated funds went towards the statue and no donors testified to having their donations reimbursed by the Respondent.

If the allegations were proven to be substantiated, it could be a violation of the Revised Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct Canon 1 Rule 1.1 and Rule 1.2.

INVESTIGATION:

As part of my investigation, I reviewed the documents which had been uploaded onto the Commission's secure portal concerning this matter. I also conducted an in-person, audio recorded interview with one of the victims in this case, Nevada Governor Joseph Lombardo.

The Respondent solicited the donations in question from 2019 to 2020. At that time, the Respondent was a Las Vegas City Councilwoman. The Respondent was appointed as a Justice of the Peace for the Pahrump Township Justice Court in December of 2022. The Respondent was then subsequently elected to the Justice of the Peace position in June of 2024, during the statewide Nevada primary election. The Respondent was (and still is), a Justice of the Peace during her Federal criminal trial, which concluded in October of 2024.

Below is a listing of some of the people who testified during the Federal trial of the Respondent and a summary of their losses:

Elizabeth Stavola:

Ms. Stavola testified she received a telephone call and a flier from Respondent concerning the statue for Officer Beck and the solicitation for funds. Ms. Stavola wrote a check to "Bright Present Foundation" in the amount of $5000.00 on October 18, 2019. Ms. Stavola believed that 100% of the donated funds would go towards the statue. Ms. Stavola testified she would not have donated if she knew the funds were going to pay the personal expenses of the Respondent. Ms. Stavola testified *she was never reimbursed* for the donation she made to the charity.

David Chesnoff:

Mr. Chesnoff testified he was an attorney in Las Vegas and had donated $5000.00 to "Bright Present Foundation" on December 13, 2019. Mr. Chesnoff said he would not have authorized the donation from his firm if the monies were going to be used for a purpose other than the memorial for the officers. Mr. Chesnoff stated he *was never reimbursed* for the donation he had made.

Harry Mohney:

Mr. Mohney testified that he (through his assistant) had a check written for $2000.00 to "Future for Nevadans" on November 15, 2019. Mr. Mohney stated he had been approached regarding making a donation for a statue for a fallen officer. He testified that the solicitation came through a flier he had received. Mr. Mohney

Thomas White:

Mr. White testified he was the business manager and secretary treasurer of Laborers Local 872. He also stated that he was the chairman of Southern Nevada L.E.C.E.T. (a labor management corporation fund). Mr. White testified he received an email from the Respondent soliciting monetary donations for a statue in honor of Officer Beck. The email stated that 100% of contributions would be used for the "charitable event." On February 3, 2020, a check for $5000.00 was cut from Southern L.E.C.E.T. to "Future for Nevadans." On February 6, 2020, Laborers Local 872 cut a check in the amount of $5000.00 to "Future for Nevadans." Both donations were made for the statue for Officer Beck. Mr. White stated he was never contacted by the Respondent and asked if the donated funds could be used for her personal expenses. He also said that *neither Southern Nevada L.E.C.E.T. nor Local 672 were reimbursed* for their donations.

Peter Pavilos:

Mr. Pavilos testified he was an attorney and lived in southern Nevada. Mr. Pavilos also testified that he knew the Respondent. Mr. Pavilos stated he donated $2500.00 on January 21, 2020, to "A Bright Present Foundation." Mr. Pavilos stated the donation was for a memorial for a fallen police officer. He also said he would not have donated the money if it was to be utilized for the Respondent's personal expenses. Mr. Pavilos stated *he was not reimbursed* for his donation.

Joseph Lombardo:

Mr. Lombardo is the duly elected Governor of the State of Nevada. Governor Lombardo testified he authorized his accountant to write a check in the amount of $5000.00 to "Future for Nevadans" which was Respondent's Political Action Committee (PAC). The monies were a donation for the creation of a statue in honor of Officer Beck. The Governor testified he would not have donated the funds if he believed they were for the Respondent's personal expenses or to finance her political career. And finally, the Governor testified that to his knowledge, *neither he nor his campaign (where the monies were procured) were ever reimbursed* for the $5000.00.

Jay Brown:

Mr. Brown testified that he was an attorney in Las Vegas. Mr. Brown stated he received a letter from the Respondent's daughter describing the Respondent's attempt to raise $80,000 for a statue in honor of Officer Beck. He testified he had also had a conversation with the Respondent as well. Mr. Brown authorized his secretary to write and sign three checks on his behalf. The first check was dated December 3, 2019, and was for $10,000. The second check was dated December

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Re: 2025-108

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INVESTIGATIVE FOLLOW-UP:

This report is being submitted as a follow-up to my original investigative report, which had been previously uploaded onto the Commission's secure portal on May 28, 2025.

On Tuesday, June 3, 2025, I conducted an audio recorded, telephonic interview, with the permission of the Executive Director of the Commission. The interview was with Mr. Robert Richardson. Mr. Richardson is a retired firefighter and is now the CEO of a private ambulance service based out of Henderson, Nevada. Mr. Richardson was a witness/victim in the Federal criminal trial of the Respondent which was held in September of 2024.

Mr. Richardson confirmed, during his interview, that he had donated $2500.00 to a "Bright Present Foundation" to be utilized towards a memorial for a slain Las Vegas police officer (Officer A. Beck). He stated he would not have given his permission for his donation to be used for the Respondent's personal expenses. He was also not asked if his monies could be used for something other than the "memorial."

Mr. Richardson stated he had been interviewed by the F.B.I. concerning this case possibly in July of 2024. He also said he did not testify at the Grand Jury hearing on the matter.

And finally, Mr. Richardson advised that neither the Respondent nor any representative of hers had ever contacted him about reimbursing his donated money. He stated he had never received any money back.

End of report.

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for providing your availability. Please confirm if this will be a 4 or 5-day hearing, we have seen both numbers mentioned. Please clarify.

Thank you,

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I start trial on October 26th. As of right now, I am out of town October 7-9. If the latter changes, I will let you know as soon as possible.

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Based upon Ms. Armeni's proposed dates, I am currently available the weeks of 8/10 and 9/8 (4 days). Additionally, I am available the weeks of 10/5 and 10/26 (4 days). Thank you.

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Hello,

I understand the procedural hurdles, but you also have a judge suspended while dates are being figured out well beyond the 60 days. While the rule gives some understandable leeway, if the intention wasn't to have hearings as close to the 60 days there would be no real purpose to include the 60 days in the Commission's own procedural rules.

As I stated previously, while I did ask for some consideration, my request was still around the 60 days. In fact, while I would have preferred a little more time, I am happy to rescind that request and could do the hearing the week of July 13th if that accommodates everyone.

I think I have made my position crystal clear and will make sure I place it on the record when given an opportunity. My intent to respond to the Commission's request for dates beyond the two dates Mr. Donaldson and I provided in August shall not be construed as a waiver that I object to any hearing taking place beyond the first two weeks of August.

August available weeks as of today
August 10th
August 24th
August 31st

September available weeks as of today
September 8th
I have a federal trial scheduled for September 14th. If it proceeds forward, it will take several weeks. I will not know for a couple weeks if it is moving forward.

October
I have no full weeks in October available due to trial and prior commitments that would not allow a full same week of availability. I could potentially split the hearing into two weeks.

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Good afternoon,

Please note that the Commission attempts to identify as many dates as possible when setting trials given the difficult challenges involved in considering the various and often conflicting work and personal schedules and commitments of seven (7) Commissioners, respective counsel, witnesses, Commission staff, as well as the availability of venues. As you know, unlike district court trials where only **one** judge presides, Commission proceedings involve **seven** Commissioners (2 judges, 2 attorneys, and 3 lay members). This process has often been characterized as "herding cats." Furthermore, setting a trial during the summer is even more problematic since personal travel and vacations are most prevalent during this time as further illustrated by Ms. Armeni's letter of May 15, 2026 (advising the Commission of her daughter's high school graduation, a prearranged and paid trip to Europe and her daughter's college orientation).

Given the foregoing challenges, it is not likely that a 5-day trial setting in Las Vegas during only a mere two-week window in August will be feasible. It is for this reason that we attempt to identify as many dates as possible. Pursuant to PRJDC 18.1, a public hearing must be held within 60 days only "if practicable." If the Commission is unable to set the trial during the first two weeks in August due to the challenges identified above, then it is only practicable to set it for a later date.

Accordingly, please provide additional available trial dates in August, September and October for consideration by the Commission. The Commission will be provided with the August dates, along with the other dates, which they will consider all at once by reviewing their respective schedules. This process will facilitate a much quicker and more efficient setting of the trial date.

Thank you,

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Hello,

We worked with Mr. Donaldson to accommodate both the additional week needed for discovery exchange and his personal obligations in July regarding the hearing date. However, we would oppose moving the hearing to September or October.

As the Commission is well aware, Judge Fiore has remained suspended since May 2025 and continues to be suspended pending resolution of these proceedings. Unless the Commission is willing to revisit the continued suspension, we oppose any further extension of the 60-day period contemplated by PRJDC 18.1 beyond the accommodation already provided to Mr. Donaldson.

By our calculation, the 60-day period expires on July 17, 2026. A hearing in September or October would effectively extend the matter an additional 60–90 days beyond that period, resulting in a hearing

occurring approximately 120–150 days after the Answer was filed. Under these circumstances, particularly where the Judge remains suspended from judicial duties, such a delay is neither reasonable nor consistent with the purpose of the rule.

Thanks,
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