

1 **BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE**

2 **STATE OF NEVADA**



3 In the Matter of)
4 THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,)
5 Justice of the Peace, Nye County, State of)
6 Nevada,)
7 Respondent.)
8 _____)

CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02

9 **ORDER SETTING PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF PANEL MEMBERS**

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11 TO: THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE, Respondent

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13 Pursuant to order of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Discipline (“Commission”), a public
14 hearing on the Commission’s Notice of Intent to Rescind and Reinstate Suspension of Respondent
15 Without Salary (attached as Exhibit 1) in the above-captioned matter has been scheduled to commence
16 on December 13, 2024, at the hour of 12:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard and
17 will conclude at or before 1:00 p.m. The public hearing will be conducted via Simultaneous
18 Audiovisual Transmission (“S.A.T.”) utilizing the Zoom virtual platform and will be available to the
19 public live via YouTube. The Zoom information will be distributed to parties at a later date, and the
20 YouTube link for public viewing will be posted on the Commission’s website (<https://judicial.nv.gov/>)
21 under “Public Hearing Schedules” not less than 24 hours prior to the hearing.

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The following panelists are scheduled to participate as members of the Commission: Gary Vause (Chair), 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).

Chairman Gary Vause is authorized to sign this Order on behalf of the full Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 9th day of December, 2024.

STATE OF NEVADA
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE



Gary Vause, Chairman

1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

2 I hereby certify on this 9th day of December, 2024, I transmitted a copy of the foregoing
3 ORDER SETTING PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF PANEL MEMBERS via email and by
4 placing said document in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:
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Nancy Schreihans, Commission Clerk

EXHIBIT 1

1 **BEFORE THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE**

2 **STATE OF NEVADA**

3
4 In the Matter of)
5 THE HONORABLE MICHELE FIORE,)
6 Justice of the Peace, Pahrump Township Justice) CASE NO. 2024-ADM-02
7 Court, County of Nye, State of Nevada,)
8 Respondent.)

9 **NOTICE OF COMMISSION’S INTENT TO RESCIND AND REINSTATE SUSPENSION OF**
10 **RESPONDENT WITHOUT SALARY**

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

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

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

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

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

10 Please submit written responses to:

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

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

18 DATED this 2nd day of December, 2024.

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

23 By: 
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25 GARY VAUSE
26 COMMISSION CHAIRMAN
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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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

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Valerie Carter, Commission Clerk