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**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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| Magisterial District Judge | : | |
| Magisterial District 12-2-04 | : | 1 JD 2021 |
| 12 th Judicial District | : | |
| Dauphin County | : | |

**JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD’S REPLY TO
RESPONDENT’S OMNIBUS MOTION FOR RELIEF**

AND NOW, this 26th day of August, 2021, comes the Judicial Conduct Board of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Board) by undersigned counsel and files this Reply to Respondent’s Omnibus Motion for Relief.

1. Admitted.
2. Admitted in part. It is admitted that on February 8, 2021, the Board filed a complaint in the Court of Judicial Discipline charging Respondent with violations the Rules Governing the Standards of Conduct of Magisterial District Judges and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania relative to Respondent’s conduct on February 22, 2020.
3. Admitted.
4. Admitted.
5. Admitted.
6. Admitted.

7. Neither admitted nor denied. This paragraph contains a legal conclusion to which no response is necessary. To the extent that this paragraph is construed to set forth factual allegations, they are denied and strict proof thereof is requested.
8. Admitted.
9. No response is required.
10. Admitted.
11. Admitted.
12. Admitted.
13. Neither admitted nor denied. This paragraph contains a legal conclusion to which no response is necessary. To the extent that this paragraph is construed to set forth factual allegations, they are denied and strict proof thereof is requested.
14. Admitted.
15. Neither admitted nor denied. To the extent that this paragraph is construed to set forth factual allegations, they are denied and strict proof thereof is requested.
16. Admitted.
17. Denied. The Board is without sufficient specific knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the statement.

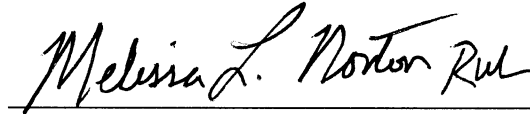
WHEREFORE, the Board, by and through Melissa L. Norton, Deputy Counsel, respectfully requests that this Honorable Court schedule a conference during which the parties may present evidence and argument in support of their respective positions, and grant such other relief as this Court deems proper.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD W. LONG
Chief Counsel

DATE: August 26, 2021

By:

Handwritten signature of Melissa L. Norton in cursive script.

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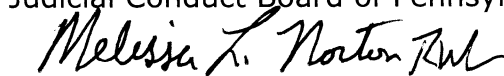
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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

Submitted by: Judicial Conduct Board of Pennsylvania

Signature:



Name:

Melissa L. Norton
Deputy Counsel

Attorney No.:

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PROOF OF SERVICE

In compliance with Rule 122 of the Court of Judicial Discipline Rules of Procedure, on August 26, 2021, a copy of the Board's Reply To Respondent's Omnibus Motion for Relief was sent by first class mail and email to Brian McMonagle, Esquire, counsel to Judge Sonya M. McKnight at the following address:

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