STATE OF NEW YORK COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

In the Matter of the Investigation of Complaints Pursuant to Section 44, subdivisions 1 and 2, of the Judiciary Law in Relation to

DELMAR R. HOUSE,

STIPULATION

a Justice of the West Carthage Village Court, Jefferson County.

THE FOLLOWING IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between Robert H.

Tembeckjian, Administrator and Counsel to the Commission, and the Honorable Delmar

R. House.

 Judge Delmar R. House has served as a justice of the West Carthage Village Court, Jefferson County, since January 1, 2008. His current term expires on December 31, 2019. He is not an attorney.

2. Judge House was apprised by the Commission in March 2016 that it was investigating a complaint that, in or about August 2015, after consuming alcoholic drinks at a local bar, he engaged in public conduct both inside and outside the bar with another patron that was inconsistent with his ethical obligations to act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the integrity of the judiciary and to conduct his extrajudicial activities so as not to detract from the dignity of his judicial office.

3. Judge House has submitted his resignation by letter dated February 23, 2016, addressed to Village of West Carthage Board Members. Judge House's resignation was effective March 1, 2016. A copy of the resignation letter is annexed as <u>Exhibit A.</u>

4. Pursuant to Section 47 of the Judiciary Law, the Commission has 120 days from the date of a judge's resignation to complete proceedings, and if the Commission determines that the judge should be removed from office, file a determination with the Court of Appeals.

5. Judge House affirms that, having vacated his judicial office, he will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future.

6. Judge House understands that, should he abrogate the terms of this Stipulation and hold any judicial position at any time in the future, the Commission's investigation of the complaint would be revived, he would be served with a Formal Written Complaint on authorization of the Commission, and the matter would proceed to a hearing before a referee.

7. Upon execution of this Stipulation by the signatories below, this Stipulation will be presented to the Commission with the joint recommendation that the matter be concluded, by the terms of this Stipulation, without further proceedings.

8. Judge House waives confidentiality as provided by Section 45 of the Judiciary Law, to the extent that (1) this Stipulation will become public upon being signed by the signatories below, and (2) the Commission's Decision and Order regarding this Stipulation will become public.

Dated: 3/2/16

Dated: March 3, 2016

Hen Ochrothon Honorable Delmar R. House

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EXHIBIT A

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February 23, 2016

Board Members,

I am writing you this letter with much saddness. Effective March 1, 2016 I am resigning as the Village of West Carthage Justice do to both personal and health reasons. It has been both a honor and pleasure serving this position for 8 1/2 years. I have enjoyed working for the community of West Carthage and plan to assist residents in any manor I can. Again I would like to thank you all for the opportunity as being your justice. God Bless each of you.

Delmar R. House

Village Justice