

STATE OF NEW YORK
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

In the Matter of the Proceeding
Pursuant to Section 44, subdivision 4,
of the Judiciary Law in Relation to

DEBRA M. WHITEMAN,

a Justice of the Cherry Valley Town Court,
Otsego County.

DECISION
AND
ORDER

THE COMMISSION:

Honorable Thomas A. Klonick, Chair
Stephen R. Coffey, Esq., Vice Chair
Joseph W. Belluck, Esq.
Richard D. Emery, Esq.
Paul B. Harding, Esq.
Elizabeth B. Hubbard
Honorable Jill Konviser
Nina M. Moore
Honorable Karen K. Peters
Honorable Terry Jane Ruderman

APPEARANCES:

Robert H. Tembeckjian Charles F. Farcher, Of Counsel) for the Commission

Dennis B. Laughlin for the Respondent

The matter having come before the Commission on December 9, 2009; and
the Commission having before it the Formal Written Complaint dated October 29, 2009,
respondent's Answer dated November 19, 2009, and the Stipulation dated December 4,

2009; and respondent having affirmed that she is leaving office upon the expiration of her term on December 31, 2009, and that she will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future; and respondent having waived confidentiality as provided by Judiciary Law §45 to the limited extent that the Stipulation will be made public if accepted by the Commission; now, therefore, it is

DETERMINED, on the Commission's own motion, that the pending proceeding be discontinued and the matter closed pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation; and it is

SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 10, 2009

Jean M. Savanyu, Esq.
Clerk of the Commission
New York State
Commission on Judicial Conduct