

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

MITCHELL H. EDELSTEIN,

STIPULATION

a Justice of the Long Lake Town Court,
Hamilton County.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between Robert H. Tembeckjian, Administrator and Counsel to the Commission on Judicial Conduct, and the Honorable Mitchell H. Edelstein:

1. Judge Edelstein has been a Justice of the Long Lake Town Court, Hamilton County, since January 1, 2012. His current term expires on December 31, 2027. He is not an attorney.
2. In February 2025, the Commission apprised Judge Edelstein that it was investigating a complaint alleging (A) delays in depositing court-collected funds and in the disposition of certain cases, and (B) failure to disqualify from two traffic cases involving immediate family of professional acquaintances.
3. Judge Edelstein has tendered his letter of resignation, a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit 1, stating that he will vacate judicial office on June 13, 2025.

4. Pursuant to Section 47 of the Judiciary Law, the Commission may continue with proceedings against a judge who has resigned and, if it so determines, render and file a determination that the judge should be removed from office. Pursuant to Article VI, section 22(h) of the Constitution, a judge who is removed from office "shall be ineligible to hold other judicial office."

5. Judge Edelstein affirms that he will vacate his judicial office at the close of business on June 13, 2025, and he will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future.

6. Judge Edelstein 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 Edelstein waives confidentiality as provided by Section 45 of the Judiciary Law, to the extent that (A) this Stipulation will become public upon

being signed by the signatories below, and (B) the Commission's Decision and Order regarding this Stipulation will become public.

Dated: 5/30/2025 
Honorable Mitchell H. Edelstein


Dated: 6/5/2025 
Robert H. Tembeckjian
Administrator & Counsel to the Commission
(**Cathleen S. Cenci** and **S. Peter Pedrotty**,
Of Counsel)

EXHIBIT 1

Hon. Mitchell H. Edelstein
Justice of the Long Lake Town Court
P.O. Box 86
Raquette Lake, New York 13436

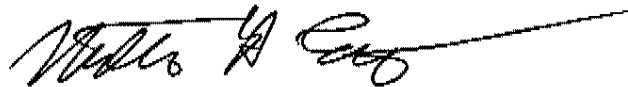
Hon. Joseph Zayas
Chief Administrative Judge
New York State Unified Court System Office of Court Administration
25 Beaver Street
New York, New York 10004

May 30, 2025

Dear Chief Administrative Judge Zayas:

I have decided to retire from the bench, and as required by law, hereby give notice of my resignation from judicial office, effective at the close of business on June 13, 2025.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitchell H. Edelstein", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Hon. Mitchell H. Edelstein
Justice of the Long Lake Town Court

cc: Clay Arsenault
Long Lake Town Supervisor