## STATE OF NEW YORK COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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

## JULIE M. KUCK,

**STIPULATION** 

a Justice of the Lindley Town Court, Steuben 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 Julie M. Kuck:

- Judge Kuck has been a Justice of the Lindley Town Court, Steuben
   County, since April 10, 2017. Her current term expires on December 31, 2025.
   She is not an attorney.
- 2. In November 2024, the Commission apprised Judge Kuck that it was investigating a complaint alleging that, on June 14, 2024, she was charged with alcohol-related violations of Sections 1192(2-a)(b), 1192(2) and 1192(3) of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, which included a felony.
- 3. On October 7, 2024, Judge Kuck pleaded guilty to Driving While Intoxicated in violation of New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 1192(3), a misdemeanor, in satisfaction of all charges.

- 4. Judge Kuck has tendered her resignation by letter dated December 23, 2024, a copy of which is annexed as Exhibit 1, stating that she will vacate judicial office as of January 10, 2025.
- 5. 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."
- 6. Judge Kuck affirms that, having vacated her judicial office, she will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future.
- 7. Judge Kuck understands that, should she 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, she would be served with a Formal Written Complaint on authorization of the Commission, and the matter would proceed to a hearing before a referee.
- 8. 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.

9. Judge Kuck 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: 12 25 24

Honorable JulieeM. Kuck

Dated: December 30, 2024

Robert H. Tembeckjian

Administrator & Counsel to the Commission (John J. Postel and Cassie M. Kocher, Of Counsel)

## **EXHIBIT 1**

December 23, 2024

Roger Reep Supervisor, Town of Lindley 637 County Route 115, P.O. Box 62 Lindley, New York 14858

Dear Mr. Reep:

I am writing to inform you that I am resigning from the position of Town Justice for the Town of Lindley, effective January 10, 2025.

It has been a privilege to serve as Town Justice.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve my community.

Sincerely,

Julie Kuck

cc: (2) Hon. Joseph A. Zayas Chief Administrative Judge New York State Unified Court System 25 Beaver Street New York, New York 10004

Hon. William K. Taylor Administrative Judge, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District 505 Hall of Justice Rochester, New York 14614