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

> WAIVER AND CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

MICHAEL W. COLE.

a Justice of the Alden Town and Village Courts, Erie County.

I, Michael W. Cole, a Justice of the Alden Town and Village Courts, do hereby freely and knowingly agree to waive the confidentiality provisions of Judiciary Law §45(1) in relation to both the Formal Written Complaint filed against me on September 17, 2024, and the Agreed Statement of Facts into which I entered with Robert H. Tembekjian, Administrator and Counsel to the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct, on October 21, 2024. In so waiving the confidentiality provisions of Judiciary Law §45(1) I am explicitly consenting to the public release of the Formal Written Complaint dated September 17, 2024 and the Agreed Statement of Facts into which I entered on October 21, 2024, by the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

I further authorize my counsel, Daniel M. Killelea, Esq., to transmit this waiver and consent to the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Dated: 10/23/2024

Michael W. Cole