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Town Justice in Albany County Resigns While Under Investigation

David R. Green, a part-time Justice of the Colonie Town Court, Albany County, who also practices law, resigned while under investigation by the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

In January 2025, the Commission apprised Judge Green that it was investigating complaints alleging that, among other things, he:

- Behaved in an undignified, unprofessional and otherwise inappropriate manner toward various lawyers and litigants, such as discussing the merits of a case with an unrepresented defendant, making coercive and otherwise inappropriate comments to defendants, indicating he had prejudged them to be guilty;
- Impermissibly appeared as a lawyer in a local court and let some of his clients appear in his own court; and
- Solicited the help of prosecutors appearing before him on behalf of an applicant for an internship in their office.

In March 2025, the Commission apprised Judge Green that it was investigating an additional complaint, alleging that he had engaged in partisan political activity, such as soliciting voters to change their political affiliations.

Judge Green agreed to leave office on June 30, 2025, and never to seek or accept judicial office at any time in the future. The Commission accepted a stipulation to that effect signed by the judge, his attorney and the Commission's Administrator.¹

Judge Green waived the statutory provision of confidentiality applicable to Commission proceedings, to the limited extent that the stipulation and Commission's order accepting it would be public.

Judge Green has been a Justice of Colonie Town Court since 2021. His current term would have expired on December 31, 2025.

The stipulation and the Commission's order can be found on the Commission's website: www.cjc.ny.gov.

Statistics Relating to Prior Commission Decisions

The Commission has accepted 150 such permanent resignation stipulations since the procedure was instituted in 2003.

Since 1978, the Commission has also issued 289 determinations of admonition against judges in New York State, 354 determinations of censure and 185 determinations of removal.

The Court of Appeals has reviewed 102 Commission determinations. The results are available on the Commission's website at "[Appealed Decisions](#)."

Statement by Commission Administrator

"All judges must be and appear fair and impartial. Part-time judges who are authorized to practice law must avoid the impression that their judicial status gives them undue advantage when representing clients. For example, they may not appear as lawyers in their own county before other part-time judges who practice law, and a judge's law clients cannot appear in the judge's own court. Judge Green's resignation resolves the issues raised against him."

Counsel

Judge Green was represented by James C. Knox, of Hacker Murphy, LLP., 28 Second Street, Troy, New York 12180, (518) 274-5820.

¹ The Stipulation was signed on April 4, 2025. The Commission issued an order accepting it on May 1, 2025.

The Commission was represented by Deputy Administrator Cathleen S. Cenci, Principal Attorney S. Peter Pedrotty and Senior Investigator Laura Misjak.

Background Information on Judge Green

First took office:	2021
Current term expires:	December 31, 2025
Year Admitted to NYS Bar:	2002

Members of the Commission

The Commission members serve four-year terms. A list of members is noted below.

The Public File

The stipulation and order are attached.

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