

Order

Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan

June 5, 2017

Stephen J. Markman,
Chief Justice

154936 & (7)

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Justices

In re:

GREGG P. IDDINGS, JUDGE
LENAWEE COUNTY PROBATE COURT

SC: 154936
RFI Nos. 2016-022112;
2016-022247

BEFORE THE JUDICIAL TENURE COMMISSION

On December 13, 2016, the Judicial Tenure Commission filed a Decision and Recommendation. It was accompanied by a Settlement Agreement with the respondent judge, the Honorable Gregg P. Iddings, who consented to the Commission's findings of fact and conclusions of law, and to the Commission's recommendation that the "sanction, if any, shall be a public censure and a 60-day suspension without pay." On February 3, 2017, this Court entered an order remanding the matter to the Commission for further explication. We retained jurisdiction. The Commission filed a supplemental report under seal on February 28, 2017. Respondent filed a motion to expand the record on May 12, 2017. That motion is GRANTED. On order of the Court, having reviewed the record before the Court, we REJECT the order of discipline recommended by the Commission. Given the facts stated in the stipulation and supplemental report, the proposed discipline is insufficient. The Court would accept a suspension, without pay, for a period of six months, as an appropriate order of discipline. Such an order will be entered on July 5, 2017, unless Judge Iddings notifies the Commission and this Court in writing by 5:00 p.m. on July 3, 2017, that, pursuant to MCR 9.225, he withdraws his consent to an order of discipline.

If Judge Iddings withdraws his consent, then, by operation of MCR 9.225, the Commission shall conduct further proceedings, during which this Court shall retain jurisdiction. This Court shall not be bound by its current determination, and upon review of the record developed at subsequent proceedings shall retain its power under MCR 9.225 to impose a greater, lesser, or entirely different sanction.

We further ORDER that this order be and remain confidential until entry of an order of discipline or until further order of the Court.



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I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

June 5, 2017

Clerk