

>> HEAR YE, HEAR YE, ALL RISE,
ALL RISE.
GIVE ATTENTION AND YOU SHALL BE
HEARD.

GOD SAVE THE UNITED STATES,
GREAT STATE OF FLORIDA AND THIS
HONORABLE COURT.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE
SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA, PLEASE
BE SEATED.

>> GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO
THIS SESSION OF THE FLORIDA
SUPREME COURT.

THE FIRST ITEM ON TODAY'S DOCKET
IS A JUDICIAL REPRIMAND, JUDGE
BRYSON.

>> JUDGE BRYSON YOU HAVE BEEN
SUMMONED BECAUSE OF CODE OF
JUDICIAL CONDUCT.

THIS SAD OCCASION FOR YOU, FOR
THIS COURT AND FOR THE ENTIRE
STATE JUDICIARY.

THE JUDICIAL CODE OF CONDUCT
REQUIRES THAT JUDGES RESPECT AND
HONOR THE JUDICIAL OFFICE AS A
PUBLIC TRUST AND DIRECTS EACH OF
US TO STRIVE TO ENHANCE AND
MAINTAIN CONFIDENCE IN OUR LEGAL
SYSTEM.

VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE IMPERIL
THAT PUBLIC TRUST AND
CONFIDENCE.

AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE, THIS IS A
VERY SERIOUS MATTER.

AS JUDGES WE ENFORCE THE RULES
OF THE LAW ON THE LITIGANTS WHO
COME BEFORE US.

AS RULE ENFORCERS, WE MUST BE
RULE FOLLOWERS.

WE MUST BE VIGILANT TO PROTECT
THE AUTHORITY GRANTED THE COURTS
BY THE PEOPLE.

JUDGE BRYSON YOUR MISCONDUCT
CANNOT BE UNDONE, HOWEVER, WE
HAVE COMMANDED YOU TO APPEAR
TODAY FOR PUBLIC REPRIMAND AS
ONE WAY TO REDRESS THE WRONGS.
IN THIS FORM, WE ASSURE THE
PUBLIC THAT WE TAKE MISCONDUCT
BY A JUDGE VERY SERIOUSLY AND WE
WILL NOT HESITATE TO PUNISH
JUDGES IN THE MOST PUBLIC WAY.
JUDGE BRYSON, YOU HAVE

STIPULATED TO CHARGES AGAINST YOU AND IN THAT WAY PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGED YOUR MISCONDUCT. YOU ALSO AGREED TO THIS PUBLIC REPRIMAND.

YOUR CASE ARISES FROM EVENTS DURING 2016 TO 2019, ACCORDING TO THE STIPULATION YOU ENTERED WITH JUDICIAL QUALIFICATION'S COMMISSION, YOU VIOLATED TWO KENS OF THE FLORIDA CONDUCT AND YOU DID SO OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS.

THE JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSIONS FOUND YOU HELD TO UPHOLD THE STANDARDS WE PLEDGE TO UPHOLD TO FOLLOW.

YOU VIOLATED CANNON 3A WHEN YOU FAILED DUTIES AND YOU DID SAY WHEN YOU WERE ABSENT FROM THE COURTHOUSE BEYOND THE PERMITTED DAYS OF JUDICIAL DAY AND FAILED TO PROVIDE PROPER NOTIFICATION FOR SOME OF THOSE ABSENCES.

YOU ALSO VIOLATED CANNON 3B4 WHICH DIRECTS PATIENTS, DIGNITY AND COURTESY TO THOSE WE INTERACT WITH AS JUDGES.

YOU STIPULATED TWO SPECIFIC INSTANCE WHERE IS YOUR ACTIONS MEANT LITIGANTS, LAWYERS AND CITIZENS ARRIVED ON TIME FOR PROCEEDINGS WERE MEANT TO WAIT FOR YOU ON AN EXTENDED PERIOD. SUCH CONTACT MANIFEST GALLING DISRESPECT FOR PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROCEEDINGS.

WE KNOW THAT THE JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION REPORTED THAT YOUR PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR HAS IMPROVED SINCE YOU BECAME AWARE OF ITS INVESTIGATION.

FURTHER, YOU HAVE NO PRIOR DISCIPLINE AS JUDGE AND NO DISCIPLINARY HISTORY WITH THE FLORIDA BAR.

WE ACCEPTED THE STIPULATION BUT ORDER ENTERED NOVEMBER 24, 2021. IN OUR ORDER, WE IMPOSED A FINE OF \$37,500 IN ADDITION TO THIS REPRIMAND.

WE ORDERED YOU TO BE SUSPENDED WITHOUT PAY FOR TEN DAYS.

NOW THIS REPRIMAND LIKE EVERY
REPRIMAND SHOULD SERVE AS A
SOBERING WARNING TO ANY JUDGE
WHO DOES NOT TAKE SERIOUSLY THE
OBLIGATIONS IMPOSED BY THE CODE.
JUDGE BRYSON FOR YOUR VIOLATION
THE CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT YOU
ARE HEREBY PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED.
KNOW THIS OUR CASE LAW
ESTABLISHES THAT FUTURE
MISCONDUCT WILL BE VIEWED FAR
MORE HARSHLY.
YOU ARE NOW FREE TO LEAVE.
>> THANK YOU.