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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

March 8, 2012

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NO. 29,778

**INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE
NO. 2006-046**

**IN THE MATTER OF JOHN W. POPE,
Thirteenth Judicial District Court Judge,
Valencia County, New Mexico**

ORDER

WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration by the Court upon motion of the Judicial Standards Commission to accept stipulation to respondent's permanent resignation from judicial office effective March 16, 2012, in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings, the Court having considered said motion, having determined that acceptance of the stipulation is in the best interests of the judiciary and the public, and the Court being otherwise sufficiently advised, Chief Justice Charles W. Daniels, Justice Patricio M. Serna, Justice Petra Jimenez Maes, Justice Richard C. Bosson, and Justice Edward L. Chávez concurring;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED and respondent, the Honorable John W. Pope, shall permanently resign from judicial office effective March 16, 2012;

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall submit duplicate original letters of resignation to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico and the Governor of New Mexico, with a copy to the Commission;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon resignation, respondent shall never again hold, become a candidate for, run for, or stand for election to any New Mexico judicial office in the future;

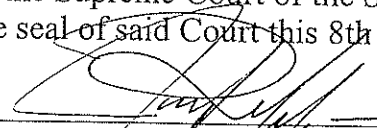
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon resignation, respondent shall never seek, accept appointment to, or serve *pro tempore* for any New Mexico judicial office in the future, which includes the posts of judge in municipal court, probate court, magistrate court, metropolitan court, district court, Court of Appeals, and Justice of the Supreme Court;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all documents filed in this Court in Inquiry No. 2006-046 are UNSEALED pursuant to Rule 27-104(B) NMRA.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

WITNESS, Honorable Charles W. Daniels, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 8th day of March, 2012.

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