IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

May 29, 2012

NO. 33,610

INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE NO. 2012-045

IN THE MATTER OF THOMAS J. HYNES, Eleventh Judicial District Court Judge, Aztec, New Mexico



STANDARDS COMME

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 on or before May 31, 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 justice and the integrity of the New Mexico judiciary, and the Court being otherwise sufficiently advised, Chief Justice Petra Jimenez Maes, Justice Patricio M. Serna, Justice Richard C. Bosson, Justice Edward L. Chávez, and Justice Charles W. Daniels concurring;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED and respondent, the Honorable Thomas J. Hynes, shall permanently resign from judicial office effective on or before May 31, 2012;

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. 2012-045 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 29th day of May, 2012.

(SEAL)

Joey D. Moya, Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico