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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

April 25, 2022

NO. S-1-SC-39014

**INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE,
JSC Inquiry Nos. 2020-017, 2020-028
2020-042, 2020-046, 2020-071, 2020-100,
& 2020-114**

**IN THE MATTER OF HON. STEVE GUTHRIE
Magistrate Judge,
Otero County Magistrate Court**

ORDER

WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration by the Court upon the Judicial Standards Commission's petition to accept stipulation to permanent resignation from judicial office in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings and the Judicial Standards Commission's motions to accept a proposed draft public censure and a recommendation for appointment of a mentor; and

WHEREAS, the Court having considered the petition, having determined that acceptance of the stipulation is in the best interests of the judiciary and the public, and being sufficiently advised, Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice Michael E. Vigil, Justice David K. Thomson, Justice Julie J. Vargas, and Justice Briana H. Zamora concurring;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the petition to accept stipulation to resignation from judicial office in lieu of further disciplinary

1 proceedings is GRANTED, and the stipulation to resignation from judicial office
2 in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings is APPROVED;

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the resignation of respondent, Otero
4 County Magistrate Judge Steve Guthrie, shall be effective as of 5:00 p.m. on April
5 25, 2022;

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall submit duplicate original
7 letters of resignation to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico and
8 the Chief Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court and shall concurrently
9 provide a copy to the Judicial Standards Commission; and

10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motions to accept the proposed draft
11 public censure and the recommendation for appointment of a mentor are DENIED
12 as moot.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.



WITNESS, the Honorable C. Shannon Bacon, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 25th day of April, 2022.

Elizabeth A. Garcia, Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of New Mexico

I CERTIFY AND ATTEST:
A true copy was served on all parties
or their counsel of record on date filed.
Sally A. Paez
Deputy Clerk of the Supreme Court
of the State of New Mexico

By: *Sally A. Paez*
Deputy Clerk of Court