



1 **IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

2 **July 3, 2023**

3 **NO. S-1-SC-39802**

4 **INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE,**

5 **IN THE MATTER OF**
6 **HON. DEV ATMA S. KHALSA**
7 **Santa Fe County Magistrate Court**

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9 **ORDER**

10 WHEREAS, this matter came on for consideration by the Court upon the
11 Judicial Standards Commission's *Petition to Accept Stipulation to Permanent*
12 *Resignation From Judicial Office in Lieu of Further Disciplinary Proceedings*, and
13 the Court having considered the foregoing and being sufficiently advised; Chief
14 Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice Michael E. Vigil, Justice David K. Thomson,
15 Justice Julie J. Vargas, and Justice Briana H. Zamora concurring;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the petition is GRANTED and
17 the stipulation is ACCEPTED;

18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the petition is granted in accordance with
19 the terms set forth in the stipulation, including the following:

- 20 1. Respondent, Hon. Dev Atma S. Khalsa, shall permanently resign from judicial
21 office by 5:00 p.m. on the date of this order;

1 2. Respondent shall never again hold, become a candidate for, run for, or stand
2 for election to any New Mexico judicial office in the future;

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4 3. Respondent shall never seek appointment to, or serve *pro tempore* for any
5 New Mexico judicial office in the future; judicial office includes the posts of
6 judge in probate court, municipal court, magistrate court, metropolitan court,
7 district court, Court of Appeals, and Justice of the Supreme Court; and

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9 4. Respondent shall never again hold or exercise any judicial authority in the
10 State of New Mexico, including the authority to officiate weddings;

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12 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall resign by submitting a
13 letter of resignation to Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon and to First Judicial District
14 Chief Judge Bryan Biedscheid by 5:00 p.m. on the date of this order; and

15 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this matter shall remain unsealed pursuant
16 to this Court's April 7, 2023, order and Rule 27-104(B) NMRA.

17 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 3rd day of July, 2023.

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

By Kristen R. Edwards
Deputy Clerk

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