

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-132 September Term 2019
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In the Matter of

Lilia A. Munoz,

A Judge of the Municipal
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ORDER

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This matter having been submitted to the Court by the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct pursuant to Rule 2:12-15A(b), following the granting by the Committee of an application for discipline by consent in ACJC 2018-255 of **Lilia A. Munoz**, a Judge of the Municipal Courts of **Union City** and **Guttenberg**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1984;

And Disciplinary Counsel/Presenter and Respondent having entered into a stipulation of discipline by consent in which it was agreed that Respondent violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1, Canon 2, Rule 2.1, and Canon 3, Rule 3.17(B) of the Code of Judicial Conduct, and Rule 1:12-1(g) of the New Jersey Rules of Court when during a period of seven years (2008-2015), Respondent presided over multiple court matters despite a conflict of interest with defense counsel, from whom Respondent leased professional office space;

And the parties having agreed that Respondent's judicial misconduct in violation of Canon 1, Rule 1.1, Canon 2, Rule 2.1, and Canon 3, Rule 3.17(B),

and Rule 1:12-1(g) warrants a public disciplinary sanction within the range of a public admonition to a public reprimand;

And the Committee having recommended to the Court that the appropriate sanction for Respondent's misconduct is a public reprimand;

And the Court having determined to accept the tendered discipline by consent, including the recommendation of a public reprimand as the appropriate disciplinary sanction;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Lilia A. Munoz**, a Judge of the Municipal Courts of **Union City** and **Guttenberg**, is hereby publicly reprimanded; and it is further

ORDERED that the stipulation of discipline by consent, Respondent's affidavit of consent, and supporting documentation in the certified record submitted to the Court are hereby incorporated by reference into this Order, in accordance with Rule 1:15-15A (b) (4).

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 17th day of November, 2020.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT