

**SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-120 September Term 2023
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In the Matter of :
Richard Obuch : **O R D E R**
A Judge of the Municipal Court :

The Supreme Court having been informed that the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct filed a Formal Complaint against Judge Richard Obuch, Judge of the Municipal Court of the City of Elizabeth, alleging that respondent violated, among other authority, the following provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct: Canon 1, Rule 1.1; Canon 2, Rule 2.1; Canon 2, Rule 2.3(A); and Canon 5, Rule 5.1(A);

And the Court having determined pursuant to Rule 2:15-17(a), that there is probable cause to conclude that respondent has violated the Code of Judicial Conduct, and that respondent's continued service while disciplinary proceedings are pending would pose a substantial threat of serious harm to the administration of justice;

And good cause appearing;

IT IS ORDERED that Municipal Court Judge Richard Obuch is

suspended from the exercise of respondent's judicial duties, without pay, effective immediately, pending expedited proceedings before the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct and until the further Order of the Court.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 8th day of July, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J. Baker".

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT