

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
D-8 September Term 2021  
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*Heather J. Suter*  
CLERK

IN THE MATTER OF

BERNICE TOLEDO,

A Judicial Officer of the  
Surrogate's Court.

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ORDER

Surrogate Bernice Toledo, a Judicial Officer of the Surrogate's Court,  
County of Passaic, having been charged with falsifying or tampering with records,  
a crime of the fourth degree, contrary to N.J.S.A. 2C:21-4(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 her continued service while criminal and 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 Surrogate Bernice Toledo is suspended from the  
exercise of her judicial duties, with pay, effective immediately and until the further  
Order of the Court. The disciplinary matter pending before the Advisory

Committee on Judicial Conduct remains pending and shall proceed in the ordinary course.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Heather J. Zalk". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H".

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT