

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-144 September Term 2014
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IN THE MATTER OF :
GERALD J. COUNCIL, :
A JUDGE OF THE :
SUPERIOR COURT :

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

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The Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct having filed a presentment with the Court in respect of GERALD J. COUNCIL, a Judge of the Superior Court, finding by clear and convincing evidence that respondent violated Canon 1 (a judge shall maintain high standards of conduct so the integrity and independence of the Judiciary are preserved), Canon 2A (a judge shall act in a manner that promotes public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of the Judiciary), Canon 3A(3) (a judge shall be patient, dignified, and courteous to those with whom the judge deals in an official capacity) of the Code of Judicial Conduct;

And the Committee having recommended that respondent be suspended from his judicial duties for a period of one month, without pay;

And good cause appearing;

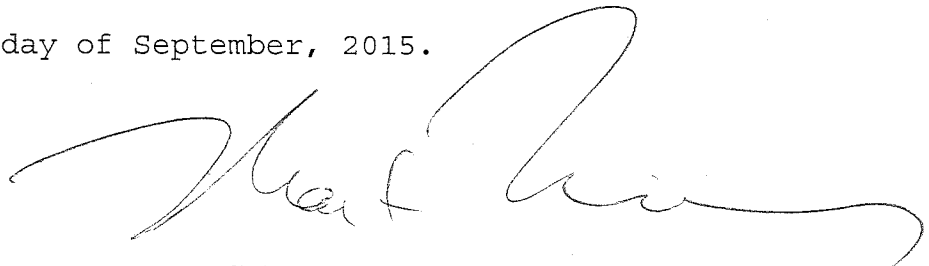
It is ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 2:15-17(b)(2), GERALD J. COUNCIL, a Judge of the Superior Court, shall show cause why he should not be publicly disciplined through the imposition of an appropriate sanction that does not include removal from judicial office; and it is further

ORDERED that Tracie H. Gelbstein, Esquire, shall present this matter to the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that the parties shall file briefs on this Order to Show Cause, with respondent's brief to be served and filed on or before October 21, 2015, and the presenter's brief to be served and filed on or before November 18, 2015; and it is further


ORDERED that the matter shall be set down for oral argument on December 2, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., in the Supreme Court Courtroom, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, Trenton.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 24th day of September, 2015.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

The foregoing is a true copy
of the original on file in my office.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
OF NEW JERSEY