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IN THE MATTER OF)	SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
)	ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
LAWSON R. MC ELROY)	JUDICIAL CONDUCT
JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT)	
)	DOCKET NO.: ACJC 2007-243
)	
)	ANSWER

Respondent, Municipal Court Judge, Lawson R. McElroy, by way of Answer to the Formal Complaint, says:

1. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.
2. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.

COUNT I

3. Respondent hereby repeats and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 2 of his Answer as though fully set forth herein.
4. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.
5. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted in part and denied in part. Respondent denies that he spoke in an angry and hostile tone and that he stated that he was Ms. Gonzales' lawyer.
6. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.

7. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted in part and denied in part.
Respondent denies that he knocked loudly and angrily demanded to be admitted into the meeting.
8. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted in part and denied in part.
Respondent denies that he stated that he would file a lawsuit against Ms. Cosme, the Court Director, and the City of Trenton.
9. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the allegations contained in this paragraph.
10. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted in part and denied in part.
Respondent denies that he did not deny that he represented to Ms. Cosme that he was Ms. Gonzales' attorney.
11. This paragraph sets forth a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.
12. This paragraph sets forth a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.

COUNT II

13. Respondent hereby repeats and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 12 of his Answer as though fully set forth herein.
14. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.
15. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.
16. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.
17. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted in part and, but Respondent denies that he presently maintains a law office.
18. The allegations contained in this paragraph are admitted.
19. The allegations contained in this paragraph are denied.

20. This paragraph sets forth a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.
21. This paragraph sets forth a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.
22. This paragraph sets forth a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.
23. This paragraph sets forth a legal conclusion to which no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Respondent, Lawson R. McElroy, Judge of the Municipal Court,
requests that the charges asserted by the Complainant be dismissed with prejudice.

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Dated:

4/14/08



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