## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-65 September Term 2022 088095

In the Matter of	:	
		<b>O R D E R</b>
Michael Jon Kassel	:	FILED
A Judge of the	:	MAY 31 2023
Superior Court	:	(Heather J Bate

The Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct having filed with the Court pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 2:15-15(a), a Presentment finding by clear and convincing evidence that **Michael Jon Kassel**, while a **Judge of the Superior Court**, violated the following Canons and <u>Rules</u> of the <u>Code of Judicial Conduct</u>; Canon 1, Rule 1.1 (a judge shall participate in establishing, maintaining and enforcing, and shall observe high standards of conduct so the integrity, impartiality and independence of the judiciary is preserved), Canon 2, Rule 2.1 (a judge shall act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity and impartiality of the judiciary, and shall avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety"), Canon 3, Rule 3.2 (a judge shall maintain professional competence in the performance of their judicial duties), Rule 3.4 (a judge shall maintain order and decorum in judicial proceedings), and Rule 1:2-1(d) (a judge shall wear judicial robes during proceedings in open court), as alleged in Count I and Count II of the complaint and stipulated to by respondent;

And the Committee having recommended to the Court based on its findings in the Presentment that Michael Jon Kassel be publicly reprimanded; And respondent, having accepted the findings and recommendation for discipline of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct and having waived his right to the issuance of an Order to Show Cause and a hearing before the Supreme Court;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that the findings and recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct are adopted and **Michael Jon Kassel, a Judge of the Superior Court**, is hereby publicly reprimanded.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 16<sup>th</sup> of May, 2023.

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT