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IN THE MATTER OF
E. RONALD WRIGHT,
JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT

SUPREME COURT OF
NEW JERSEY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
JUDICIAL CONDUCT

DOCKET NO. ACJC 2002-111

Civil Action

ANSWER

The Respondent, E. Ronald Wright, by way of answer to the complaint filed herein says:

1. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the complaint.
2. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the complaint.
3. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the complaint.
4. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 4 of the complaint.
5. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 5 of the complaint except to state that upon information and belief, Joseph Maimone was advised by Christopher S. Bateman, Esq., the Municipal Prosecutor, on December 18, 2001 that he should seek a dismissal of the motor vehicle charge and a plea to an ordinance violation.

6. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 6 of the complaint.
7. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the complaint.
8. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 8 of the complaint.
9. The Respondent admits the allegations contained in paragraph 9 of the complaint.

10. The Respondent denies the allegations contained in paragraph 10 of the complaint.

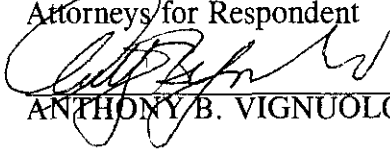
11. The Respondent admits making a telephone call to the office of Mr. Otis in a case pending before the Montgomery Township Municipal Court where Mr. Otis was a Prosecutor but denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 11 of the complaint.

12. The Respondent asked that any consideration be given to Mr. Maimone. The Respondent did not use the prestige of his office to advance the private interest of others. The Respondent denies ever speaking with or to Mr. Otis. The Respondent did identify himself as the family attorney for the Maimones and as Municipal Court Judge to Mr. Otis' secretary.

13. The Respondent denies the allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the complaint.

WHEREFORE, Respondent requests a dismissal of the complaint with a recommendation of private discipline.

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Dated: August 20, 2003

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