

**BEFORE THE  
STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT**

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**IN RE: HONORABLE CLYDE "BUBBA" HOWSE  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 3  
HONDO, MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**CJC Nos. 25-0177, 25-0191 & 25-0192**

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**VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT TO RESIGN FROM  
JUDICIAL OFFICE IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

This Agreement is being entered into by the undersigned parties pursuant to Section 33.032(h) of the Texas Government Code.

**WHEREAS** at all relevant times, the Honorable Clyde "Bubba" Howse ("Judge Howse") was a Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, in Hondo, Medina County, Texas; and

**WHEREAS** on or about October 28, 2024, the Commission received a complaint from Darcy Hasty (CJC No. 25-0177) regarding Judge Howse's inappropriate behavior towards Ms. Hasty in her county office and inappropriate texts that he sent to Ms. Hasty; and

**WHEREAS** on or about October 31, 2024, the Commission received another two complaints from Judge Phillip Lange (CJC No. 25-0191) and Rubi Gaucin (CJC No. 25-0192) regarding Judge Howse's behavior towards Ms. Hasty, inappropriate texts that he sent to Ms. Hasty, and Judge Howse disregarding directives by the Medina County Human Resource to not communicate or visit with Ms. Hasty; and

**WHEREAS** no Finding of Fact or Conclusions of Law have been made in connection with the above-referenced matters; and

**WHEREAS** no prior disciplinary action has been taken against Judge Howse, who has not responded to any inquires by the Commission regarding these complaints; and

**WHEREAS** the parties agree that the allegations of judicial misconduct in these complaints, if found to be true, could result in further disciplinary action against Judge Howse; and

**WHEREAS** the parties to this Agreement are desirous of resolving these matters without the time and expense of further disciplinary proceedings.

**IT IS THEREFORE AGREED** that Judge Howse, upon the signing of this Agreement, officially and formally resigns any and all judicial duties effective immediately and is entering into this Agreement to resolve the above-referenced complaints in lieu of disciplinary action by the Commission, pursuant to Section 33.032(h) of the Texas Government Code. The Commission agrees that it shall pursue no further disciplinary proceedings against Judge Howse in connection with the above-referenced matters.

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED** that Judge Howse, by his execution of this voluntary agreement, does not admit guilt, fault, or liability regarding the matters contained in the complaints referenced above.

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED** that, upon the Commission's approval of this Agreement, Judge Howse shall be forever disqualified from judicial service in the State of Texas, including (a) sitting or serving as a judge, (b) standing for election or appointment to a judicial office, and/or (c) performing or exercising any judicial duties or functions of a judicial officer, including but not limited to the performance of wedding ceremonies.

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED** that any violation of this Agreement by Judge Howse would constitute willful or persistent conduct that is clearly inconsistent with the proper performance of his duties or casts public discredit upon the judiciary or administration of justice in violation of Art. V, Sec. 1-a(6)A of the Texas Constitution, and Section 33.001(b) of the Texas Government Code.

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED** that this Agreement shall be made public as a voluntary agreement to resign from judicial office, pursuant to Section 33.032(h) of the Texas Government Code, and the Commission may enforce this Agreement through any legal process necessary, including injunctive relief; that Travis County, Texas, shall be the proper venue for any dispute between the parties or proceeding relating to this Agreement; and that Judge Howse, individually, shall bear the expense, cost, and any reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees in the event any dispute arising under this Agreement is decided against him by any court or tribunal.

**AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED** upon its execution by the parties.

SIGNED BY:

  
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HON. CLYDE "BUBBA" HOWSE

  
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HON. GARY L. STEEL, CHAIR  
STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL  
CONDUCT

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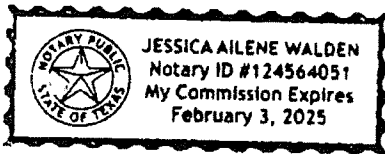
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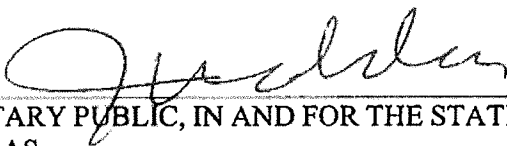
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**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **CLYDE “BUBBA” HOWSE**, who by me being first duly sworn, on his oath deposed and said that the above “Voluntary Agreement to Resign from Judicial Office in Lieu of Disciplinary Action” is a true and correct recitation of the facts and accurately reflects his understanding of the terms and conditions of, and voluntary consent to enter into, such Agreement.

**SWORN TO BEFORE ME**, on this the 01 day of November, 2024.



  
NOTARY PUBLIC, IN AND FOR THE STATE OF  
TEXAS