

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION**

AGREED ORDER OF PRIVATE REPRIMAND

The Commission issues this order of private reprimand to a judge for violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, SCR 4.300, Rules 4.1 (A)(7) and 4.2 (A)(1).

The Commission conducted a preliminary investigation of a complaint that the judge, during the judge's campaign and prior to taking office, participated in a parade with the local Republican Party by providing signs and walking near the Party's float.

The Commission concludes that the candidate, now judge, violated SCR 4.300, and the relevant portions of the following Rules of the Code of Judicial Conduct:

Canon 4, Rule 4.1 (A)(7) prohibits a judge from seeking, accepting, or using endorsements from a political organization.

Canon 4, Rule 4.2 (A)(1) requires a judicial candidate to act at all times in a manner consistent with the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary.

Based upon the foregoing conduct, the judge is hereby privately reprimanded.

In issuing this private reprimand, the Commission duly considered that the judge fully cooperated in the investigation and agreed to accept this Private Reprimand.

Date: 11/15/2023


R. MICHAEL SULLIVAN, CHAIR