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IN THE MATTER OF :

RAYMOND A. REDDIN : SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR : ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
COURT : JUDICIAL CONDUCT

: DOCKET NO. ACJC 2013-093

: **NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND**

: **ANSWER TO FORMAL COMPLAINT**

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RAYMOND A. REDDIN, Judge of the Superior Court (hereinafter referred to as the "Respondent"), by way of response to the formal Complaint filed by the ACJC herein says:

1. Respondent admits the allegations of Paragraph 1 of the Complaint.

2. Respondent admits the allegations of Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.

3. Respondent admits that he was aware that Anthony T. Ardis (hereinafter referred to as "Ardis"), was arrested and charged with official misconduct in connection with his employment at the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission ("PVSC"). Respondent makes no response to the remaining allegations contained in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint.

4. Respondent admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint. .

5. Respondent admits that he was aware that Ardis was arrested and indicted. Respondent makes no response to the characterization that the arrest and/or indictment were "highly publicized". Respondent does admit that the arrest and indictment were reported on several occasions in local northern New Jersey newspapers.

6. Respondent admits the allegations of Paragraph 6 of the Complaint.

7. Respondent admits the allegations of Paragraph 7 of the Complaint.

8. Respondent admits the allegations of Paragraph 8 of the Complaint. Respondent and Ardis are very close friends. Their friendship has lasted for approximately fifty (50) years.

9. As to the allegations contained in Paragraph 9, Respondent was instrumental in forming and participating in a religious group commonly referred to as the "Bartimeus Family". The group was formed approximately thirteen (13) years ago. Ardis was an active participating member of the group as well. The group meets for Mass virtually every Thursday evening.

10. Respondent admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.

11. Respondent admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 11 of the Complaint.

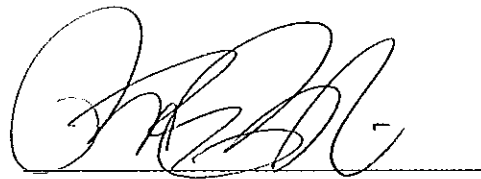
12. Respondent admits that he routinely dined with Ardis and other church group members prior to attending Mass together both before and after the arrest and indictment of Ardis. Respondent denies any allegation or contention that he intended to violate the Code of Judicial Conduct or that he knowingly or intentionally engaged in any conduct which created an appearance of impropriety or that he had the potential to weaken public confidence in the integrity or impartiality of the Judiciary.

13. Respondent admits that he continued to dine with Ardis and continued to go to Church with him after Ardis was indicted. Respondent admits that he was assigned to the criminal division of the Passaic County Vicinage and that the aforesaid indictment was pending in Passaic County. Respondent makes no response to the remaining allegations.

14. Respondent fully admits that he routinely dined with Ardis in public restaurants and attended Mass with Ardis and other church group members following dinner. Respondent denies any allegation or contention that he knowingly or intentionally engaged in any conduct which

demeans his Judicial office or any conduct knowingly or with the intent to violate the Code of Judicial Conduct.

WHEREFORE, Respondent requests that the Committee find that his conduct did not intentionally and/or unintentionally violate the applicable Canons of Judicial Conduct and that the Committee recommends to the Supreme Court of New Jersey that no discipline be imposed as to the Respondent.




Raymond B. Reddin, Esq.
Attorney for Respondent

Dated: October 7, 2013

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the within Answer has been filed and served in accordance with the Rules of Court as they apply to this proceeding.



Raymond B. Reddin, Esq.