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COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN RE:)
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HON. RUDOLPH J. TOLLEFSON,)
)
Pierce County Superior Court Judge.)

CJC # 98-2699-F-81
Supreme Court # 70051-6

ORDER

BY C. J. HENRITT
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On August 22, 2000, the Commission on Judicial Conduct filed a Notice of Decision, pursuant to Article IV, Section 31 of the Washington State Constitution and DRJ2, DRJ4, and CJCRP 25(b), in the matter of Honorable Rudolph J. Tollefson. The decision, pursuant to a stipulation of the parties, recommended a censure and an immediate suspension from office, without pay, with an effective date of no later than August 21, 2000, and to in fact suspend his judicial duties no later than August 21, 2000, for a period of 5 consecutive months. The Court did review the Decision, the Stipulation, Agreement and Order of Censure and Recommendation for Suspension in the matter. Justice Johnson recused. Now, therefore,

The Court does hereby

ORDER:

The decision of the Commission on Judicial Conduct is approved. Rudolph J. Tollefson, Pierce County Superior Court Judge, is suspended from office, without pay, for five consecutive months, effective August 21, 2000.

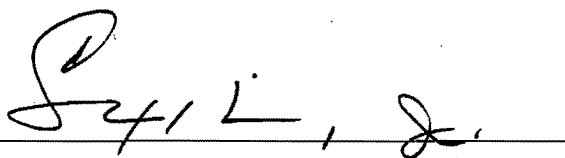
As stipulated and agreed, prior to any resumption of judicial duties, he shall participate in anger management therapy as approved in advance by the Presiding Officer or Chair of the Commission on Judicial Conduct. He shall attend at his

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own expense, a course in judicial ethics, approved in advance by the Presiding Officer or Chair of the Commission on Judicial Conduct, and file a declaration and proof of completion.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this 28 day of August, 2000.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. L. J.", is written over a horizontal line.

for CHIEF JUSTICE