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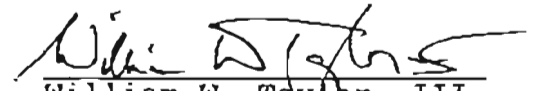
PUBLIC RELEASE RE: The Honorable Joseph M.F. Ryan, Jr.  
Associate Judge of the Superior Court  
of the District of Columbia

The Commission has received complaints concerning certain instances of Judge Ryan's conduct during the course of his judicial duties. These complaints concern allegations of intemperate and injudicious conduct in dealing with litigants in his Court.

The Commission has investigated these matters, met with Judge Ryan, discussed the facts with him, and heard his reasons and explanations for his conduct. Judge Ryan recognizes that some of the questioned actions were intemperate. He has given his assurances that he will avoid such actions in the future and that he will conduct his Court in full accordance with the Code of Judicial Conduct as adopted by The Joint Committee on Judicial Administration of the District of Columbia Courts. In view of the foregoing, the Commission has concluded that no charges or sanctions are warranted.

The Commission makes this document public with the agreement of Judge Ryan.

For the Commission:

  
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