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SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
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In the Matter of :
John F. Russo, Jr., :
A Judge of the Superior :
Court :

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

The Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct having filed with the Court pursuant to Rule 2:15-15(a), a presentment finding by clear and convincing evidence that **John F. Russo, Jr.**, a Judge of the Superior Court, violated Canon 1, Rule 1.1; Canon 2, Rule 2.1 and Rule 2.3(A); Canon 3, Rule 3.5, Rule 3.8, and Rule 3.17(B) of the Code of Judicial Conduct, and Rule 1:21-1(g);

And the Committee having recommended that respondent be suspended from the performance of his judicial duties for a period of three months, without pay, and that respondent be required to participate in training on appropriate courtroom demeanor;

And respondent, through counsel, having accepted the findings and recommendation for discipline of the Committee;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 2:15-17 (b) (2), **John F. Russo, Jr.**, a Judge of the Superior Court, shall show cause why he should not be publicly disciplined through the imposition of an appropriate sanction that does not include removal from judicial office; and it is further

ORDERED that Candace Moody, Esq., or her designee shall present this matter to the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that the parties shall file an original and eight copies of their briefs on this Order to Show Cause, with respondent's brief to be filed and served on or before May 3, 2019, and the presenter's brief to be filed and served on or before June 3, 2019; and it is further

ORDERED that the matter shall be set down for oral argument on July 9, 2019 at 2:00 PM in the Supreme Court Courtroom, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, Trenton.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 2nd day of April, 2019.



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