

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals, continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on June 8, 2018, the following order was made and entered:

In the Matter of: The Honorable Allen H. Loughry II,
 Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals
 of West Virginia

No. 18-0508

ORDER

On June 6, 2018, a Formal Statement of Charges was filed against respondent, Allen H. Loughry II, Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. On that same date, Teresa A. Tarr, Judicial Disciplinary Counsel, presented to the Court a motion pursuant to Rule 2.14 of the Rules of Judicial Disciplinary Procedure requesting that the Court suspend the respondent, Allen H. Loughry II, from his judicial office without pay during the pendency of the judicial disciplinary proceedings because of the serious nature of the charges. Additionally, Judicial Disciplinary Counsel requests that the Court suspend the respondent's license to practice law in the State of West Virginia during the judicial disciplinary proceedings.

As a justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, respondent, Allen H. Loughry II, is subject to the Rules of Judicial Disciplinary Procedure and the jurisdiction of this Court.

Having maturely considered the motion pursuant to Rule 2.14(c) of the Rules of Judicial Disciplinary Procedure, the Court is of the opinion that there is probable cause to believe the respondent has engaged or is currently engaging in serious violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

Therefore, pursuant to Rule 2.14(d)(2) of the Rules of Judicial Disciplinary Procedure, it is hereby ORDERED that the respondent, Allen H. Loughry II, shall be, and hereby is, suspended without pay, and he is hereby prohibited from hearing any further civil or criminal matter or performing any other judicial functions during the pendency of these judicial disciplinary

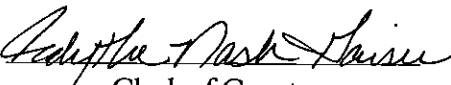
proceedings. A decision on the request to suspend respondent's license to practice law during the pendency of the judicial disciplinary proceedings is deferred at this time.

The respondent is hereby notified of the right to request a hearing on the issue of his suspension pursuant to Rule 2.14(c) of the Rules of Judicial Disciplinary Procedure and Article VIII, Section 8 of the Constitution of West Virginia. Any request for a hearing must be in writing and filed with the Clerk of Court within thirty days of the date of this order.

Chief Justice Margaret L. Workman, Justice Robin J. Davis, Justice Menis E. Ketchum, Justice Allen H. Loughry II, and Justice Elizabeth D. Walker disqualified. Sitting by temporary assignment, Acting Chief Justice - Judge Joanna I. Tabit, Judge Robert A. Burnside, Jr., Senior Status Judge James J. Rowe, Judge Russell M. Clawges, Jr., and Judge Jennifer P. Dent.

Service of an attested copy of this order upon Teresa A. Tarr, Judicial Disciplinary Counsel; John A. Carr, counsel for the respondent; and Barbara H. Allen, Interim Administrative Director for the Courts, shall constitute sufficient notice of the contents herein.

A True Copy

Attest: 
Clerk of Court

