

STATE OF NEW YORK
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

In the Matter of the Proceeding
Pursuant to Section 44, subdivision 4,
of the Judiciary Law in Relation to

JOSEPH I. LALONDE,

a Justice of the Tupper Lake Town and
Village Courts, Franklin County.

DECISION
AND
ORDER

THE COMMISSION:

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Stephen R. Coffey, Esq.
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Honorable Thomas A. Klonick
Honorable Daniel F. Luciano
Honorable Karen K. Peters
Honorable Terry Jane Ruderman

APPEARANCES:

Robert H. Tembeckjian (Cathleen S. Cenci and Kathryn J. Blake,
Of Counsel) for the Commission

Jeremiah M. Hayes for Respondent

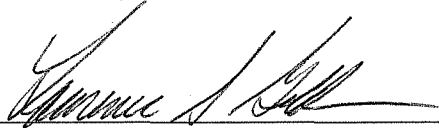
The matter having come before the Commission on February 2, 2006; and
the Commission having before it the Formal Written Complaint dated June 21, 2005,

respondent's Answer dated August 17, 2005, and the Stipulation dated January 12, 2006; and the Commission, by order dated August 30, 2005, having designated Michael Whiteman, Esq., as referee to hear and report proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law; and a hearing been scheduled to commence in January 2006; and respondent having resigned from judicial office by letter dated January 5, 2006, effective February 12, 2006, and having affirmed that he will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future; and respondent having waived confidentiality as provided by Judiciary Law §45 to the limited extent that the Stipulation will be made public if accepted by the Commission; now, therefore, it is

DETERMINED, on the Commission's own motion, that the pending proceeding be discontinued and the case closed pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation; and it is

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 14, 2006



Lawrence S. Goldman, Esq.
Chair
New York State
Commission on Judicial Conduct