

STATE OF NEW YORK  
COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

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In the Matter of the Investigation of Complaints  
Pursuant to Section 44, subdivisions 1 and 2,  
of the Judiciary Law in Relation to

JAMES D. LAPIANA,

a Justice of the Mount Morris Town Court and  
the Mount Morris Village Court, Livingston  
County.

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DECISION  
AND  
ORDER

THE COMMISSION:

Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Chair  
Paul B. Harding, Esq., Vice Chair  
Joel Cohen, Esq.  
Jodie Corngold  
Honorable John A. Falk  
Taa Grays, Esq.  
Honorable Leslie G. Leach  
Honorable Angela M. Mazzarelli  
Richard A. Stoloff, Esq.  
Honorable David A. Weinstein  
Akosua Garcia Yeboah

APPEARANCES:

Robert H. Tembeckjian (John J. Postel and David M. Duguay, Of Counsel)  
for the Commission

Honorable James D. LaPiana, *pro se*

The matter having come before the Commission on August 3, 2017; and the  
Commission having before it the Stipulation dated August 2, 2017; and Judge LaPiana

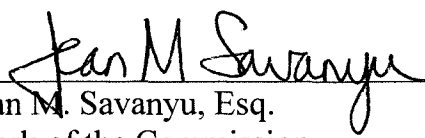
having tendered his resignation as Justice of the Mount Morris Town Court and the Mount Morris Village Court by letters dated August 2, 2017 addressed to the Chief Administrator of the Courts and the Mount Morris Town and Village Clerks, which will become effective August 31, 2017, and having affirmed that after vacating his judicial offices he will neither seek nor accept judicial office at any time in the future, and having waived confidentiality as provided by Judiciary Law Section 45 to the extent that the Stipulation will become public upon being signed by the signatories and that the Commission's Decision and Order with respect thereto will become public; now, therefore, it is

DETERMINED, on the Commission's own motion, that the Stipulation is accepted and that the pending matter is concluded, by the terms of the Stipulation, subject to being revived according to the terms of the Stipulation; and it is

SO ORDERED.

Mr. Harding and Ms. Grays were not present.

Dated: August 7, 2017

  
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Jean M. Savanyu, Esq.  
Clerk of the Commission  
New York State  
Commission on Judicial Conduct