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Re: *In the Matter of the Application of the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct  
v Gregory Peirez, Esq. and Shawn Smith, Esq.*  
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**LETTER DECISION AND ORDER**

Dear Counselors:

Upon receipt of further letter-brief of Petitioner of January 12, 2023 in the above referenced matter, and upon consideration of the applicable law, the Court finds that the records herein should be sealed to the limited extent that the submitted *in camera* materials remain sealed and that the referenced Judge's email address be redacted to so as to protect his identity. Accordingly, the court's previous Orders of October 24, 2022 and January 3, 2023 Sealing submissions in this matter in entirety is superseded by the following amended Order:

The sole sealing of the submissions of the within matter shall be those documents submitted *ex parte* by the Petitioner in the submission of October 24, 2022; such Documents shall be filed under Seal with the Albany County Clerk, kept confidential, and not made available to any person, public or private entity unless by further order of the Court. In addition, all references to the email address of the Judge being investigated by the Commission shall be redacted from the remaining submissions; redacted copies of the submissions shall be filed unsealed and the unredacted copies filed sealed along with the aforementioned *ex parte* submissions.

SO ORDERED.

Gerald W. Connolly  
Acting Supreme Court Justice

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