

BEFORE THE FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION

INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE,
THE HONORABLE NEIL A. RODDENBERY,
JQC 2020-154

SC20- _____

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NOTICE OF FORMAL CHARGES

TO: The Hon. Neil Roddenbery
Polk County Courthouse
255 North Broadway
P.O. Box 9000, Drawer J-158
Bartow, Florida 33831-9000

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT the Investigative Panel of the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of those members has determined, pursuant to Rule 6(f) of the Rules of the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission, and Article V, Section 12(b) of the Constitution of Florida, that probable cause exists for formal proceedings to be instituted against you to inquire into the following charges, *to wit*:

1. That you are suffering from a permanent disability that seriously interferes with the performance of your duties as a judge of the Circuit Court for the Tenth Judicial Circuit in that you have been diagnosed with primary progressive aphasia of adulthood (PPA), logopenic variant (a form of Alzheimer's). This diagnosis is permanent, progressive, and prevents you from fulfilling your judicial duties.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE in accordance with the provisions of the Rules of the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission, that you have twenty (20) days following service of this notice to file a written answer to these charges. The original of your

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response and all subsequent pleadings must be filed with the Clerk of the Florida Supreme Court, in accordance with the Court's requirements. Copies of your response should be served on the undersigned General Counsel for the Judicial Qualifications Commission, and the Executive Director of the Commission.

Dated this 6th day of April, 2020.

/s/ Alexander J. Williams
Alexander J. Williams
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing has been furnished by electronic service to The Honorable Neil Roddenbery, Circuit Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Polk County Courthouse 255 North Broadway P.O. Box 9000, Drawer J-158, Bartow, Florida 33831-9000, nroddenbery@jud10.flcourts.org, this 6th day of April 2020.

/s/ Alexander J. Williams
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