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SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

NO. 01-O-2304

IN RE: JUDGE CHARLES R. JONES

KNOLL, Justice,* concurring in part and dissenting in part

I agree with the majority's determination that Judge Jones's conduct violated Canons 1, 2A and 3B(1) of the Louisiana Code of Judicial Conduct, as well as the constitutional standard articulated in LA. CONST. ART. V, § 25(C). Because I find that Judge Jones's conduct brings such disrepute to the Louisiana judiciary, I disagree with the majority's sanction. Judge Jones's conduct was egregious as found by the Judiciary Commission and as acknowledged by the majority. The conduct sanctioned merits *at least* a full 90-day suspension without pay, together with the payment of costs, as recommended by the Judiciary Commission.

For these reasons, I respectfully concur in part and dissent in part.

* Retired Justice Walter F. Marcus, Jr., assigned as Justice *ad hoc*, sitting for Associate Justice Catherine D. Kimball, recused. Retired Judge Anne L. Simon, assigned as Justice *ad hoc*.