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# In the Supreme Court of Indiana

IN THE MATTER OF	)
THE HONORABLE	)
ANDREW ADAMS	) Case No. 19S-JD-386
JUDGE OF CLARK CIRCUIT COURT 1	)
	) )

# **NOTICE OF CRIMINAL CHARGES AND REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION**

The Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications, by its counsel, Adrienne L. Meiring, hereby notifies the Court that an Information has been filed against the Respondent, the Honorable Andrew Adams (hereinafter "Respondent"), for a crime punishable as a felony under the laws of the State of Indiana. Pursuant to Admission and Discipline Rule 25 V, the Commission therefore requests the suspension with pay of Respondent. In support of this Notice and Request, the Commission would show the Court as follows:

- 1. Respondent has served as Judge of Clark Circuit Court 1 since January 1, 2015.
- 2. On June 28, 2019, a special grand jury, through the Prosecutor of Marion County, filed an Indictment for two counts of Battery Resulting in Moderate Bodily Injury, Level 6 felonies; two counts of Battery Resulting in Bodily Injury, Class A misdemeanors; two counts of Battery, Class B misdemeanors; and one count of Disorderly Conduct, a Class B misdemeanor under Case No. 49G18-1906-F6-025482. A true and accurate copy of the filed Indictment are attached as Commission's *Exhibit A*.

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3. Counsel for the Commission verified that the Indictment attached as Commission's Exhibit A was filed today.

4. Admission and Discipline Rule 25 V (A) provides that:

A judicial officer shall be suspended with pay by the Supreme Court...upon the filing of an indictment or information charging the iudicial officer in any court in the United States with a crime punishable as a felony under the laws of Indiana or the United States.

5. The Indictment filed in Marion Superior Court 18 charges Respondent with, among other crimes, two counts of Battery Resulting in Moderate Bodily Injury, which are crimes punishable as Level 6 felonies under Indiana Code § 35-42-2-1(c)(1)(e);

WHEREFORE, the Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications requests that the Court enter an order pursuant to Admission and Discipline Rule 25 V suspending the Honorable Andrew Adams with pay from his position as Judge of Clark Circuit Court 1 pending further order of this Court or final determination of any disciplinary proceeding that may hereafter result from the criminal charges.

6/28/19

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne L. Meiring

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Comes now Adrienne L. Meiring and certifies that she served a copy of this "Notice of Criminal Charges and Request for Suspension" by e-mail and by deposit in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to:

Judge Andrew Adams c/o James H. Voyles, Jr., Esq. c/o Jennifer M. Lukemeyer, Esq. Voyles Vaiana Lukemeyer Baldwin & Webb 141 E. Washington St., Ste. 300 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

this 28th day of June 2019.

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STATE OF INDIANA	) ) SS:	IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT CRIMINAL DIVISION, ROOM
COUNTY OF MARION	)	
STATE OF INDIANA V ANDREW ADAMS	) ) ) )	SPECIAL GRAND JURY INDICTMENT COUNT I BATTERY RESULTING IN MODERATE BODILY INJURY, LEVEL 6 FELONY I.C. 35-42-2-1(c)(1)(e) COUNT II
W/M DOB: 12/18/1971		BATTERY RESULTING IN MODERATE BODILY INJURY, LEVEL 6 FELONY I.C. 35-42-2-1(c)(1)(e) COUNT III BATTERY RESULTING IN BODILY INJURY, CLASS A MISDEMEANOR, I.C. 35-42-2-1(c)(1)(d) COUNT IV BATTERY RESULTING IN BODILY INJURY, CLASS A MISDEMEANOR I.C. 35-42-2-1(c)(1)(d) COUNT V BATTERY, CLASS B MISDEMEANOR I.C. 35-42-2-1(c)(1) COUNT VI BATTERY, CLASS B MISDEMEANOR I.C. 35-42-2-1(c)(1) COUNT VI DISORDERLY CONDUCT, CLASS B MISDEMEANOR, I.C. 35-45-1-3(1)

The Grand Jury of the County of Marion upon their oath or affirmation do present that on this date in Marion County, Indiana

## COUNT I: BATTERY RESULTING IN MODERATE BODILY INJURY

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did knowingly touch, that is: hit and/or wrestle Alfredo Vazquez, in a rude, insolent, or angry manner and it resulted in moderate bodily injury, that is: substantial pain to Alfredo Vazquez;

## COUNT II: BATTERY RESULTING IN MODERATE BODILY INJURY

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did knowingly touch, that is: kick Brandon

Kaiser, in a rude, insolent, or angry manner and it resulted in moderate bodily injury, that is:

substantial pain to Brandon Kaiser;

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COUNT HI: BATTERY RESULTING IN BODILY INJURY

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did knowingly touch, that is: hit and/or

wrestle Alfredo Vazquez, in a rude, insolent, or angry manner and it resulted in bodily injury, that

is: pain and/or bruising to Alfredo Vazquez;

COUNT IV: BATTERY RESULTING IN BODILY INJURY

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did knowingly touch, that is: kick Brandon

Kaiser, in a rude, insolent, or angry manner and it resulted in bodily injury, that is: pain to Brandon

Kaiser;

**COUNT V: BATTERY** 

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did knowingly touch, that is: hit and/or

wrestle Alfredo Vazquez, in a rude insolent or angry manner;

**COUNT VI: BATTERY** 

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did knowingly touch, that is: kick Brandon

Kaiser, in a rude, insolent, or angry manner;

**COUNT VII: DISORDERLY CONDUCT** 

On or about May 1, 2019, ANDREW ADAMS, did recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally

engage in fighting, that is: a physical altercation including hitting and/or kicking and/or wrestling

with Alfredo Vazquez and/or Brandon Kaiser:

All of which is contrary to statute and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

June 27, 2019

A TRUE BILL

TERRY CURRY, PROSECUTOR

19111 INDICIVE CIRCUIT

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Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Foreperson

Marion County Special Grand Jury

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## State's witnesses:

Ronald Clayton, IMPD Bradley Millikan, IMPD Matthew Pankonic, IMPD Stephen Smalley, IMPD Jerry Townsend, IMPD Erik Forestall, IMPD Jerry Torres, IMPD Joshua Hasseld, IMPD C. Yound, IMPD Kaylee Schellhaas, MCCL Mackenzie Diuof, MCCL Laura Roseberry Sonny Skiles William Dawkins Sabrina Bell Alfredo Vazquez Brandon Kaiser Aieriel Kennedy Jeanne Benefiel Daryal Miller Ronald Bougher Maurice Williams