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COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE ISSUES
PUBLIC ADMONISHMENT OF FORMER COMMISSIONER
ROBERT DRIESSEN

The Commission on Judicial Performance has publicly admonished former Commissioner Robert Driessen of San Bernardino County Superior Court.

The commission determined that it should publicly admonish former Commissioner Driessen for multiple acts of misconduct. Former Commissioner Driessen told a litigant he was an “authority higher than God”; issued an improper restraining order; improperly modified orders made by other judges; ignored applicable law and denied fee waivers based on his own contempt for fee waiver recipients; ordered an undetermined amount of cash be donated to charity in a dissolution matter; and, while on the bench in open court, cut up drivers’ licenses to make a point. The commission found that former Commissioner Driessen abused his authority, failed to perform his duties impartially, competently, and diligently, and failed to dispose of judicial matters fairly.

The public admonishment is available on the commission’s website at <https://cjp.ca.gov> (under “Pending Cases – Press Releases & Documents” and “Public Discipline & Decisions”). Former Commissioner Driessen is represented by Paul S. Meyer, Esq. of Paul S. Meyer, APC of Costa Mesa.

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The commission is composed of six public members, three judges, and two lawyers. The chairperson is Hon. Lisa B. Lench.

For further information about the Commission on Judicial Performance, see the commission’s website at <https://cjp.ca.gov>.