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*Honorable Charles Plunkett
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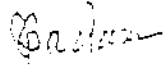
RE: Case Numbers 93-213, 93-227 and 93-233

Dear Judge Plunkett:

This letter is to announce that the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission has dismissed the three complaints (93-213, 93-227 and 93-233) that were pending against you. These dismissals were part of an agreement wherein you agreed to retire from the judiciary effective March 15, 1994. By your early retirement you gave up your term of office that would otherwise have ended on December 31, 1998.

This Commission action is public information.

Sincerely,


*James A. Badami
Executive Director*

*cc: Attorney Bob Compton
Martha Colby
Dale Williams*

JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE AND DISABILITY COMMISSION
INFORMATION SHEET

*Case Numbers 93-213, 93-227 and 93-233
Complaints concern Judge Charles Plunkett*

January 20, 1994

At the November 19, 1993 Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission meeting, Attorney Bob Compton appeared on behalf of his client Judge Charles Plunkett. At that meeting an agreement was reached on the disposition of the complaints pending against Judge Plunkett.

After an exchange of letters, Bob Compton and the Commission's Executive Director agreed on the wording of the agreement. Those terms are:

(1) No action will be taken by the Commission on the complaints presently pending against Judge Plunkett at this time.

(2) Judge Plunkett irrevocably submits his resignation and request for retirement effective March 15, 1994. At the earliest time, Judge Plunkett publicly announces his retirement effective March 15, 1994.

(3) Upon Judge Plunkett's retirement, any pending complaints against him will be dismissed by the Commission. This includes number 93-213, number 93-227, and number 93-233.

(4) If during the interim between now and his retirement should Judge Plunkett become an embarrassment to the judiciary due to intoxication, or is unable to perform his judicial duties due to intoxication, attorney Bob Compton will, to the best of his ability, see to it that Judge Plunkett steps down from the bench. It is understood that the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission's receipt of another complaint about Judge Plunkett, does not of itself constitute his being an embarrassment to the judiciary due to intoxication or proof of his inability to perform his judicial duties due to intoxication.

Judge Plunkett wrote to the Judicial Retirement Board and Governor Tucker announcing his retirement effective March 15, 1994.

Unless there is a change of circumstance, complaints #93-213, 93-227 and 93-233 will be dismissed on March 16, 1994.