Colorado Supreme Court DATE FILED: May 3, 2023 2:34 AM 2 East 14th Avenue FILING ID: 8E5F359A38104 Denver, CO 80203 CASE NUMBER: 2023SA114 Phone Number: 720-625-5150 Original Proceeding Pursuant to Colorado Constitution Article VI, § 23 Colorado Commission on Judicial Discipline Case No. 21-118 IN RE THE MATTER OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO, Complainant, and Nathan B. Coats, A former Chief Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court, Respondent. ▲ COURT USE ONLY ▲ Case Number: Colorado Commission on Judicial Discipline: Christopher S.P. Gregory, esq. **Executive Director** Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center 1300 Broadway, Suite 210 Denver, CO 80203 Phone: 303-457-5131 Email: Atty. Reg. # 37095

RECOMMENDATION FOR JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE

Based upon the Stipulation for Public Censure (dated May 2, 2023) between the Commission and former Colorado Supreme Court Chief Justice Nathan B. Coats, the Colorado Commission on Judicial Discipline ("the Commission") requests that this Court impose the stipulated recommendations for sanctions according to Colo. RJD 36. As part of the attached Stipulation made according to Colo. RJD 37(e), former Chief Justice Coats has:

- Admitted his violations of Canon Rule 2.5 of the Colorado Code of Judicial Conduct;
- 2. Waived his right to formal proceedings and review by this Court according to Parts C and E of the Colo. RJD; and
- 3. Agreed to a Special Tribunal convened according to Colo. RJD 41 issuing a written public censure.
- 4. Acknowledged that the Stipulation, this Recommendation, and accompanying filings with this Court are public upon their filing with this Court according to Colo. RJD 37(e).

The Commission moves that the Special Tribunal approve the attached Stipulation and, in accordance with Colo. RJD 36 (e), publicly censure former Chief Justice Coats for his violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

DATED: May 3, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on May 3, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing RECOMMENDATION FOR JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE was filed with the Court and served via e-mail upon the following persons:

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