

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

IN RE: JUDGE EBONI JOHNSON ROSE

No. 2025-O-00390

IN RE: Eboni Johnson Rose - Applicant Other; Judiciary Commission - Applicant
Other; Joint Petition for Consent Discipline;

April 23, 2025

Joint petition for consent discipline accepted. See per curiam.

JDH

PDG

JMG

Weimer, C.J., dissents and assigns reasons.

Crain, J., dissents and assigns reasons.

McCallum, J., dissents and assigns reasons.

Cole, J., concurs in the result and assigns reasons.

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Chief Deputy Clerk of Court
For the Court

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JUDICIARY COMMISSION OF LOUISIANA

PER CURIAM

In 2024, the Judiciary Commission of Louisiana (“Commission”) received complaints and media reports regarding alleged misconduct by Judge Eboni Johnson Rose in four separate criminal matters. Specifically, in three cases, it is alleged that Judge Rose made a series of serious legal errors regarding relatively straightforward issues of criminal procedure. In the fourth case, it is alleged that Judge Rose made comments in court indicative of bias against the District Attorney’s Office and used profane and offensive language, including a racial slur, in doing so. After considering Judge Rose’s response to the complaints, the Commission authorized an expedited investigation by the Office of Special Counsel (“OSC”). The Commission also requested Judge Rose’s interim disqualification, which this court granted on August 6, 2024. *In re: Rose*, 24-0931 (La. 8/6/24), 390 So. 3d 275. After the OSC completed its investigation, the Commission invited Judge Rose to personally appear before it for questioning, which she did on January 17, 2025. Judge Rose and the Commission then submitted a joint petition for consent discipline in which Judge Rose admitted that her conduct violated the Code of Judicial Conduct and La. Const. art. V, § 25(C). Having reviewed the petition,

IT IS ORDERED that the Joint Petition for Consent Discipline be accepted and that Judge Eboni Johnson Rose of the 19th Judicial District Court for the Parish of East Baton Rouge be suspended from judicial office, without pay, for six months, with all but two months deferred.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Judge Rose shall be placed on probation for a period of two years, beginning immediately. The probationary period shall be governed by a monitoring agreement containing the conditions set forth in the Joint Petition for Consent Discipline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Judge Rose be assessed with total costs of \$11,196.11 subject to an eighteen-month payment plan. Of this amount, \$3,354.50 shall be designated for reimbursement of the Special Counsel's investigative costs and \$926.52 shall be designated for the Commission's costs. The remaining \$6,915.09 shall be designated as partial repayment for the costs of the *pro tempore* judges appointed by this court during Judge Rose's disqualification.