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R. KYLE ARDOIN
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January 4, 2022

Hon. John L. Weimer, Chief Justice
Louisiana Supreme Court
400 Royal Street, Suite 1190
New Orleans, LA 70130

Dear Chief Justice Weimer:

Enclosed, please find a copy of the letter of resignation received from the Michelle Odinet, City Judge, City Court, Division A, City of Lafayette, Parish of Lafayette.

As more than twelve months of the term remain unexpired, a special election is required in accordance with La. R.S. 18:621. If available, the Governor must choose a gubernatorial or congressional election date within a year of occurrence of the vacancy. If a gubernatorial or congressional election date is not available within a year of occurrence of the vacancy, the election is set in accordance with La. R.S. 18:402.

A special election is required to fill this vacancy. The special election dates and qualifying period may be as follows:

Primary:	November 8, 2022
General:	December 10, 2022
Qualifying:	July 20, 21, & 22, 2022

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact me at (225) 922-0257.

Sincerely,

Steve Hawkland
Deputy General Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Hon. John Bel Edwards, Governor
Sandra A. Vujnovich, Judicial Administrator, LA Supreme Court
Natalie Bourgeois, Attorney General's Office
Hon. Louis J. Perrett, Lafayette Parish Clerk of Court
Hon. Charlene Meaux-Menard, Lafayette Parish Registrar of Voters

MICHELLE ODINET

December 31, 2021

Honorable Chief Justice Weimer
Louisiana Supreme Court
400 Royal Street
New Orleans, Louisiana. 70130

Chief Justice Weimer:

I take full responsibility for the hurtful words I used to describe the individual who burglarized the vehicles at my home. I am sorry for the pain that I have caused my community and ask for your forgiveness, as my words did not foster the public's confidence and integrity for the judiciary.

After much reflection and prayer, and in order to facilitate healing within the community, I hereby resign as judge of the Lafayette City Court effective immediately. I am sending a copy of this letter to the Secretary of State and hope that a special election can be scheduled to fill the vacancy that my resignation creates.

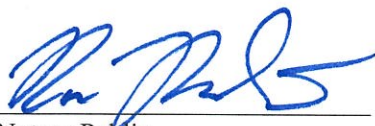
Yours,



Michelle Odinet

cc: Kyle Ardoin, Secretary of State

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
BEFORE ME, the undersigned
notary public, at Lafayette Parish,
Louisiana, on December 30, 2021.



Notary Public
Ross Francis Roubion, No. 35989
La. Notary No. 140212
My commission is for life.

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