



**BEFORE THE
STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT**

**IN RE: HONORABLE DONALD PUCKETT
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 2
LUFKIN, ANGELINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

CJC No. 26-0566

**VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT TO RESIGN FROM
JUDICIAL OFFICE IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

This Agreement is being entered into by the undersigned parties pursuant to Section 33.032(h) of the Texas Government Code.

WHEREAS at all times relevant hereto, the Honorable Donald Puckett was the judge of Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2, in Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, on January 7, 2026, a complaint was filed with the Commission alleging Judge Donald Puckett misuse of court personnel; and

WHEREAS no Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law have been entered by the Commission in connection with the above-referenced matter; and

WHEREAS the parties agree that the allegations of judicial misconduct, if found to be true, could result in further disciplinary action against Judge Donald Puckett; and

WHEREAS the parties to this Agreement are desirous of resolving this matter without the time and expense of further disciplinary proceedings.

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED that Judge Puckett, upon the signing of this Agreement, has officially and formally resigned his judicial duties, and is entering into this Agreement to resolve the above-referenced complaint in lieu of disciplinary action by the Commission, pursuant to Section 33.032(h) of the Texas Government Code. The Commission agrees that it shall pursue no further disciplinary proceedings against Judge Puckett in connection with the above-referenced matter.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that, upon the Commission's approval of this Agreement, Judge Puckett shall be forever disqualified from judicial service in the State of Texas, including: (a) sitting or serving as a judge, (b) standing for election or appointment to a judicial office, and/or (c) performing or exercising any judicial duties or functions of a judicial officer, including the performance of wedding ceremonies.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that any violation of this Agreement by Judge Puckett would constitute willful or persistent conduct that is clearly inconsistent with the proper performance of his duties or casts public discredit upon the judiciary or administration of justice in violation of Art. V, Sec. 1-a(6)A of the Texas Constitution, and Section 33.001(b) of the Texas Government Code.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Commission may enforce this Agreement through any legal process necessary, including injunctive relief; that Travis County, Texas, shall be the proper venue for any dispute between the parties or proceeding relating to this Agreement; and that Judge Puckett, individually, shall bear the expense, cost, and any reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees in the event any dispute arising under this Agreement is decided against him by any court or tribunal.

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED upon its execution by the parties.

SIGNED BY:


HON. DONALD PUCKETT


HON. KEN WISE, INTERIM CHAIR
STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL
CONDUCT

Date: 9-27-26

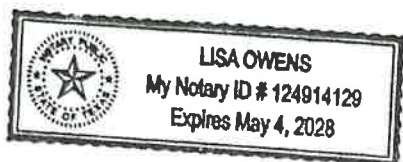
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VERIFICATION

State of Texas §
County of Angelina §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **DONALD PUCKETT**, who by me being first duly sworn, on his oath deposed and said that the above "Voluntary Agreement to Resign from Judicial Office in Lieu of Disciplinary Action" is a true and correct recitation of the facts and accurately reflects his understanding of the terms and conditions of, and voluntary consent to enter into, such Agreement.

SWORN TO BEFORE ME, on this the 24th day of September, 2026.



Lisa Owens
NOTARY PUBLIC, IN AND FOR THE
STATE OF TEXAS