IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA BEFORE A REFEREE

THE FLORIDA BAR

IN RE: PETITION FOR RESIGNATION BY:

JAMES F. JOHNSON, JR.,

Petitioner.

CONFIDENTIAL

Supreme Court Case No. 65,852

The Florida Bar Case No. FRS85005



RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR LEAVE TO RESIGN CLERK, SUPREME COURT
WITHOUT LEAVE TO APPLY FOR READMISSION
PERMANENTLY PENDING DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING

Cited Deputy Clark

COMES NOW The Florida Bar by and through undersigned bar counsel, pursuant to Article XI, Rule 11.08(3) of the Integration Rule of The Florida Bar, and files this its response to the petition of James F. Johnson, Jr., for leave to resign from The Florida Bar without leave to apply for readmission permanently and states as follows:

- 1. The instant petition has been considered by the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar which committee has voted to support the granting of such petition.
- 2. Granting such petition will not adversely affect the public interest, adversely affect the purity of the courts, hinder the administration of justice, or the confidence of the public in the legal profession in that petitioner will be forever barred from the practice of law in this jurisdiction.

WHEREFORE, The Florida Bar supports the petition of James F. Johnson, Jr. for leave to resign from The Florida Bar without leave to apply for readmission permanently and respectfully requests that this court grant the petition and assess costs against petitioner in the amount of \$2,027.95.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing response was furnished to James F. Johnson, Jr., Petitioner, c/o Robert J. O'Toole, Attorney for Petitioner, 511 Bayshore Drive, PH7, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304, by regular mail, on this 17^{+9} day of September, 1984.

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