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(2) of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Order of Additional Education of a Municipal Judge.* (3/30/10)

The judge persistently failed to follow the law and demonstrated a pattern of failure to maintain professional competence in the law when he (a) granted deferred disposition to Commercial Driver's License holders who were cited for the offense of speeding; (b) improperly waived the statutory requirement for minors cited for consumption of alcohol to attend alcohol awareness programs and/or to perform community service; (c) placed a defendant's criminal case on "hold" for a year after the defendant informed the court that he was being deployed overseas; (d) placed a defendant on deferred disposition for a period of time in excess of the maximum 180 days allowed by law; (e) dismissed three traffic citations without a motion from the city prosecutor and/or without first placing the defendant on deferred disposition; and (f) failed to reduce his orders of deferred disposition and final judgments to writing. [Violation of Canons 2A and 3B(2) of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Admonition and Order of Additional Education of a Municipal Judge.* (04/01/10)

The judge, while acting as a magistrate, (a) routinely advised defendants of his opinion that a local towing company was charging excessive fees; (b) directed defendants to file complaints with local law enforcement agencies and/or with "Austin" with regard to the towing company's allegedly excessive fees; and (c) on at least one occasion questioned the "legal" status of the towing company. [Violation of Canon 2B of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Admonition of a Justice of the Peace.* (04/21/10)

The judge misused the prestige of his judicial office to advance his personal interest by issuing a judicial order to prison officials ordering them to confiscate his personal response to a former client's attorney grievance against him. [Violation of Canon 2B of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Admonition of a District Judge.* (05/17/10)

The judge failed to follow the law and failed to maintain professional competence in the law when he (1) granted new trials without requiring a written motion showing good cause, and (2) granted a new trial and conducted a hearing more than 30 days after he had adjudicated the case. [Violation of Canons 2A and 3B(2) of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Order of Additional Education of a Justice of the Peace.* (05/17/10)

The judge failed to obtain the mandatory judicial education hours during fiscal year 2009. [Violation of Canons 2A and 3B(2) of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Order of Additional Education of a Municipal Judge.* (05/17/10).

The judge failed to comply with the law and failed to maintain professional competence in the law when he found a juvenile's father in contempt of court and had him arrested before the time for compliance with the judge's order had expired. The judge's actions against the juvenile's father were premature and without authority. [Violation of Canons 2A and 3B(2) of the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.] *Private Admonition of a Former Municipal Judge.* (05/17/10)

The judge authorized the public use of her name endorsing another candidate for public office when she sent an e-mail communication expressly advocating that other individuals should vote