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SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO

**MEMBER WILLIAMS, et al.**

**CASE NO. 2016-CV-09-3928**

**Plaintiffs,**

**JUDGE PATRICIA A. COSGROVE  
(Sitting by Assignment)**

**-vs-**

**KISLING, NESTICO & REDICK, LLC, et al.**

**Defendants.**

**JOURNAL ENTRY**

This Court, having been previously assigned by The Ohio Supreme Court to preside over this case, hereby voluntarily recuses itself from all further proceedings in this case.

This Court recently discovered that an attorney from the Defendants' law firm is representing a plaintiff that is suing my son-in-law and granddaughter for alleged injuries resulting from a car accident. (Amy Stanevich v. Kaitlyn Clark, et al., Case No. 2018-05-1932.)

Although, this Court is of the opinion that it could continue to be fair and impartial to the parties in this litigation, a judge has the obligation under Canon 1 of the *Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct* to avoid even the appearance of impropriety. In the event, this Court made a ruling against the Defendants, the fact the Defendants' law firm is suing family members of the Judge could be raised as a potential ground for an alleged conflict of interest claim.

Based upon the foregoing, this Court hereby gives notice of its voluntary recusal in this case and requests The Ohio Supreme Court assign another visiting judge to preside over this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Patricia A. Cosgrove". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

JUDGE PATRICIA A. COSGROVE  
(Sitting by Assignment – 17JA3545)

cc: The Ohio Supreme Court  
All attorneys of record