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ZEALOUS ADVOCATE FOR HER CHILDREN

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To whom it may concern:

I plan to testify in opposition of Judge Bromell Holmes being appointed to the appellate court. My testimony will be centered around my personal experience with Judge Bromell Holmes which took place on September 15, 2021 in family court in the 15th District Circuit in Horry County and regarding the following qualifications:

1. Ethical Fitness
2. Professional and Academic Ability
3. Character
4. Reputation
5. Judicial Temperament

I have firsthand knowledge and personal experience being before Judge Bromell Holmes in a very serious initial Family Court Temporary Hearing where this Judge disregarded the evidence that was presented involving Domestic Violence and Child Safety Concerns. In 15 minutes, this Judge altered the status Quo for my then 2yr old and 5 yr. old children, displacing them from the care of their primary caregiver. Judge Bromell Holmes handed innocent young children over to their abusive-father and then kicked me out of my home that very afternoon following the hearing. This Judge sent a stay-at-home mother to the streets with the clothes on my back. The children involved were given zero warning that they would go from their protective and safe environment to their abuser for the next 2 weeks and be completely alienated from their mom. The abusive father was under supervision with the children at this time and due to allegations from the children being investigated the father was not having overnights. Judge Bromell-Holmes created the most erroneous decisions court ordering horrific standards for such a delicate matter before the Honorable Court.

The SC Children's Code of Laws Title 63 was not followed or even considered. This Judge offered absolutely no protection by law for myself and my children. I was forced into financial ruin under her court order and there were no provisions for financial support after being a stay-at-home mother. The deficiencies in Judge Bromell Holmes judgement were

unconscionable and her rash decisions in 2021 are still severely affecting my DR Case in 2023. This Judge is responsible for causing judicial misconduct that should not be overlooked since she is asking for a "promotion" to a higher court.


Let it be known that Judge Bromell Holmes has the reputation in lower courts to be erratic in nature and a homewrecker. Her reputation was validated on September 15, 2021 in my case and persists to cause irreparable harm to this day. This Judge cannot be trusted to abide by the laws in lower court so a seat in a higher court would be completely illogical and detrimental to anyone seeking due process.

As a personal victim of Domestic violence, it would be my testimony that this Judge allowed a perpetrator of crimes and abuse to harm me and my children while forcing me to abide by an unconscionable court order that affected every fiber of my life negatively. She put our innocent children in the middle of this horrific nightmare and allowed an abuser to build a warpath of devastation which was counterproductive to our health and wellbeing. This Judge claimed this court decision was in the "best interest" for our children. In actuality, this decision was repulsive.

The Appellate Court is the next step someone seeking justice must go in order to rectify unlawful judgements from lower court rulings. Why give a Judge a seat in the Appellate Court when she can't even do her job lawfully in the lower court? I cringe at the thought that this Judge would be given any higher privileges that could lead to worse and more final devastation for a law-abiding citizen who is seeking due process and justice from a higher court.

Lastly, this Judge's temperament and behavior is most likened to thrusting innocent people into a family court massacre. I will testify that this Judge condoned Domestic Violence simultaneously contributing to the ongoing painful abuse of women and children. This Judge has abused her power and authority causing hard working people to lose marital assets and displaced children from safety into life-threatening environments. This is not the type of Judge that displays ethical fitness specifically in regard to the Code of Judicial Conduct Cannon 2 and 3 Rule 2.2, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.15, 3.10.

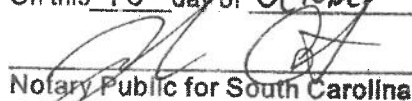
Thank you for taking my concerns into consideration.



Shanda Nicol

Sworn and Subscribed before me

On this 18 day of October, 2023


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