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State of Connecticut
Judiciary Committee
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**RE: THIS IS AN ADDENDUM TO MY
OPPOSITION TO JUDGE THOMAS F. PARKER'S
REAPPOINTMENT**

Dear Co-Chair Rep Tong and Co-Chair Sen. Coleman and Rep. Gonzalez

I, Sylvester Traylor do hereby submit this addendum to my objections filed on January 16, 2015, as to Judge Thomas F. Parker being reappointment as a judge for Connecticut Judicial Branch, for the following reasons:

On January 16, 2015, the Judiciary Committee requested a complete copy of the transcripts that I referred to in my objections to Judge Parker being reappointed as a judge for the State of Connecticut Judicial Branch. Kindly find enclosed the following transcripts dated: **June 15, 2010, July 8, 2010, September 7, 2010, September 20, 2010, January 19, 2011, January 20, 2011, and February 3, 2011**, all in support of my opposition to Judge Parker's reappointment.

- I. JANUARY 19, 2011 TRANSCRIPT. Kindly note Judge Parker's lack of temperament in the January 19, 2011 transcript towards myself and my Attorney. Attorney Berdick requests that he elaborate on why a point is important.**

Judge Parker says, No, I 'll ask the questions right now.

Attorney Berdick responds "Yes, your Honor" Judge Parker then asks, "Why do you think it was important?"

Judge Parker also told my Attorney that he could file a motion if he did not think he had enough time to prepare for the next day's hearing. Page 31.

II. **JANUARY 20, 2011 TRANSCRIPT. The Question before the** Judiciary Committee on January 16, 2015, had Judge Parker ever stood up ranting and raving while the witness, Defendants counsel and Plaintiffs' counsel were all still seated?

- **Questioning my right to appear for myself as a pro se. Asking me to sit down, and then sarcastically telling me that downward with his hands while direction me to sit while he was still standing.**
- PAGE 7 – 8
- Judge Parker orders my attorney to proceed with the purpose of the hearing in spite of the fact that Attorney Berdick was no longer Mr. Traylor's agent. Judge Parker orders Attorney Berdick and tells him that I cannot represent myself. I asked him if I was "invisible"
- Judge Parker on page 10 indicates that an order of the court must be obeyed until in due course it's set aside by the court itself or by an appellate court, and continues to order Attorney Berdick to represent me. Judge Parker orders the Marshall to take Mr. Berdick downstairs.
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- When I inquire if I may leave the court after my attorney is locked up, Judge Parker asks if I want to go downstairs in the company of a marshal and he refused to allow me to leave the courtroom. When I request copies of exhibits being marked the judge tells me that I can pay a fee and get them through the clerk. Judge Parker also tells me to "save my breath" because he marked a case that did not have anything to do with the proceeding at hand and told me that I objected to "everything"
- Page 25
- Judge Parker continues to ask Attorney Leone leading questions to dismiss the case.
- Judge Parker insists that Attorney Berdick is the legal representative of myself f as both the litigant in the case and for the estate of Roberta Mae

Traylor.

- III. FEBURARY 3, 2011 TRANSCRIPT. The statements below reference the sarcastic and humiliating tactics used by Judge Parker in an attempt to intimidate, embarrass and control the witness. Belittling comments like “stay tuned”. Embarrassing questions directed at my attorney....Asking my attorney “and you’re a lawyer?”**

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- THE COURT: I'm just telling you we're going to proceed and you're not going to interfere. Your appearance is ineffective. This proceeding is not a game. This is not a game and you're having fun with this game, I know.
- MR TRAYLOR: I object to that statement, your Honor. It's not a game to me.

- IV. Sarcastic remarks regarding my pronunciation of words like “order”...asking if there was an “a” in the word order. Implying that I was illiterate.**

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- MR. TRAYLOR: And I just want to ask if your Honor may please.. I was wondering if this is trying to implicate me as a criminal during this hearing. Earlier on the 19th. You told my attorney..
- THE COURT: Would you please speak through your attorney.
- MR TRAYLOR: Okay. Can you ask him the question please.
- THE COURT: The answer is no.
- Line 17
- ATTY. BERDICK:I guess what I'd like to do for the sake of my client's interest is, one,

Find out if the court's motive today is to go into the judicial complaint or to capture some other. Things in addition to that. And two is ...

- THE COURT: Stay tuned.
- ATTY. BERDICK: Okay. The other thing, you Honor, is Section...
- Line 25: And Mr. Berdick, you're a lawyer?
- ATTY. BERDICK: Yes, your Honor.
- THE COURT: Okay, Use your own thinking as a lawyer.
- ATTY. BERDICK: I am your Honor
- THE COURT: Oh, okay.

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- Line 26 Q from Attorney Berdick continuing:
- 26- In your own words from your own memory, from your own recollection, whatever, referring to the document before you, what was condescending?

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- Line 2.. He used the phrase, is there a word with the letter A in order, and then he enunciated the A. He said it again, is there like an A.
- Q. Why did you find that condescending?
- 6. A. I thought that as an African-American Judge Parker was trying to question my literacy and, from my understanding, the literacy (sic) for African-Americans to vote was over.
- Line 10.....THE COURT: were you voting on December 21?
- Line 11...THE WITNESS: Should I..
- THE COURT: There's nothing about voting on December 21st, 2009 was there?
- THE WITNESS: No. It's your treatment. It's your demeanor, the racist behavior that African- Americans was treated during the time of voting, your behavior carried forward from a past era.
- THE COURT: ...Okay. Go on.
- ATTY. BERDICK: Your Honor, Plaintiff Exhibit Number 1, I's like to hand to the witness.

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- Did you want to mark this as an exhibit?
ATTORNEY BERDICK CONTINUING..
- Q No, not at this time, please.

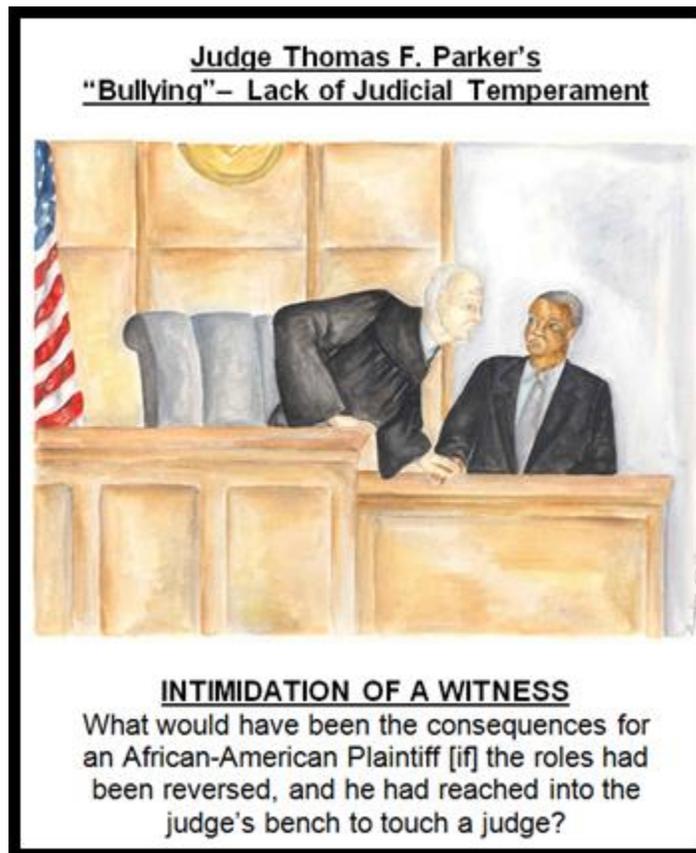
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ATTORNEY BERDICK CONTINUING:

- Q. What was your impression of that response from the judge?
Line 10
- Again, I was nervous. I mean, I was trying to articulate something. He knew what I was saying. I said I'm sorry.
- Page 3, " The Court: Hold on a minute. Just... I want to put on the record what I have done before you got here. I informed that Attorney Kirsten Rigney, Assistant Attorney General, who has entered an appearance is defending in the second...what I call the second case, the one against the superior court or chief court administrator or somebody." As if he didn't'...like I didn't know who I was filing the case against and, once again, it's just condescending.
- Q. Was the state's attorney there?
- A. No, she was not.
- Q. Well, what other language in the transcript during the hearing..
- LINE 25 THE COURT: EXCUSE ME. The state's attorney wasn't there. The State's Attorney is Michael Regan.
- ATTORNEY BERDICK: Sorry. I apologize.
- PG. 52 Whole page...

V. During the Judiciary Committee on January 16, 2015, Judge Parker was asked if he ever grabbed Mr. Traylor. SEE PAGE 63 Judge Parker smirking and his mocking demeanor towards my lawyer and me. Noted in the transcript Judge physically leaned in as noted on court document in an

effort to maintain an imposing or intimidating demeanor.



- THE WITNESS: Was there something funny, your Honor? You're looking at Attorney Leone...
- THE COURT: ... I was looking at you and your Lawyer.
- THE WITNESS: And now you're leaning towards me.
- THE COURT: Are you afraid? Are you afraid I'm going to do a back flip and land in your lap?
- THE WITNESS: I was wondering. I've got a case here... Where the court...someone pointed their finger... At the court and they sent it to the administrative Judge. I'm not being threatening to you, am I?"
- THE COURT: No, No.
- ATTY. BERDICK: Did ...Your Honor, did you have a Question to me or direction.

- THE COURT. Yeah. Why is any of this relevant? Now he's accusing me of having an ex parte letter. Before or having the request...the request of the Ex parte letter from Rigney, that I knew about it

VI. See PAGE 73 Sarcastic remarks that I had "rights but no responsibilities".

- LINE 13 Yeah, but how is that relevant to the issue that the Judge is asking?
- A The fact that Judge Parker's behavior and demeanor Towards me from the git-go. I mean, he's asking me earlier. In the transcript was I confrontational with your? From the Beginning of the transcript, Judge Parker, you've been Confrontational with me, from day one I met you. I've never... Done anything to you. You've constantly...and even in the... Transcript speak louder than words, I don't know why yo... constantly chastising me. I haven't did anything wrong other than file the complaints, which is my right.
- LINE 24 THE COURT You got rights but no Responsibilities.
- THE WITNESS: Responsibilities to tell the truth.
- PAGE 77 line 1- 27 Use entire page.

VII. Judge Parker's courtroom demeanor has made it extremely difficult for me to retain any legal counsel. Listed below is a series of lawyers who I requested legal assistance from but who declined and indicated that I needed civil rights legal advice and that they did not want to go in front of Parker's bench. Page 80-81.

VIII. Mr. Traylor's contention that he was treated differently as a pro se versus a lawyer in the court. Rules were frequently only applied to him and ignored for other attorneys. See Page 140.

- PAGE 140 LINE 2 THE WITNESS: Only over the enforcement of Judge Hurley's order. That's the whole surrounding... Issue, whether they... like, for example, Attorney Leone didn't show up for a hearing and they will issue a Default for failure to appear against me. Well, in... This situation, they wasn't doing that or if

they... Would reopen a default after the third time he didn't show up for a hearing, you know, and then they say this is the third time, you know. For Example, like on December 21st when I came before... You, I was maybe five minutes late. You was already sitting on the bench.

- THE COURT: You know, people file grievances.
- PAGE 140 CONTINUED Against judges for not coming right out on the bench At two o'clock or ten o'clock. So I was wrong to do that?
- THE WITNESS: Judge Martin sat in his chambers For an hour waiting on Attorney Leone; didn't ever show up, didn't call. They was trying to hunt him Down. Then eventually Judge Martin comes out and says okay, fine, I'm issuing the default. That's not the first time he had done that. Give me an hour? You won't wait here an hour for me, not even five minutes.

IX. More sarcastic remarks from Judge Parker.. Comments like, you've read this transcript a zillion times. " VERBAL BULLYING BY JUDGE PARKER.

- PAGE 148 LINE 6 THE COURT; You didn't attach the other pages... Where I said it doesn't apply to the court and you've read this transcript a zillion times. That's a slight exaggeration. Forgive me, please.
- THE WITNESS: Your Honor, your sarcasm throughout this.. and that's what a lot of people... attorneys complaining about, why they don't want to take.. didn't want to take my case. Some attorneys say, you know, they can't figure out when you're on the bench they can't figure out if you're going for the plaintiff or the defendant.
- They can't figure out your line of questioning and sometimes your sarcasm may come off as if...I don't know. When you said that, are you talking to me?

X. References to Judge Parker's cutting the Witness off and not letting me explain.

- **PAGE 148** LINE 25 THE WITNESS: That's why I wanted to keep the transcript. For example, like my attorney said, you
- PAGE 149 LINE 1 Never let me answer the question, you cut me off, And I was trying to show you exactly what... the way you responded. It wasn't an answer.

Attorney Leone asked you the question, not me. You wasn't clear, nobody could conclude on what you were saying there. You didn't say the court will still file its such and such response by such and such day. You didn't Say that.

- THE COURT: The court doesn't file responses.
- THE WITNESS: Or memorandum expect my Memorandum. You said it doesn't .. it doesn't include me. If can I see the transcript.
- THE COURT: No, I don't need...
- THE WITNESS: Remember what you said? IT
- PAGE 149 LINE 15
- Wasn't a clear understanding of what you were Saying.

XI. VERBAL BULLYING CONTINUING "Your Honor, can you repeat your question?"

Response. No, I speak English.

- **PAGE 150** LINE 21
- THE WITNESS: I don't understand the question.
- THE COURT: Okay. Well, that's something...
- THE WITNESS: Can you repeat your question, You Honor?
- THE COURT: No, I speak English. Put this in as an exhibit.
- PAGE 155 Line 13
- THE COURT: No. I want to know and you've not answered it three times and avoided answering it. The fourth time: Did I comply?
- THE WITNEESS: I SAID NO.
- THE COURT: WITH YOUR...OKAY. All right

- THE WITNESS: This is the fifth time.
- THE COURT: You want to for an even dozen?
- THE WITNESS: Can I see Exhibit 28?
- PAGE 155 CONTINUED LINE 21
- THE COURT: What do you need it for?
- THE WITNESS: I want to see what you're avoiding to acknowledge what I was referring to. I was referring to give me my opportunity to have a Motion to reargue. I have 20 days according to the Statute for that motion to reargue.
- THE COURT: You know what, Mr. Traylor, I think

XII. PAGE 156 Unequal application of the rules. Judge Parker locked up my attorney without charges and did not lock up Attorney Leone for violation of the same rules.

- YOU DON'T LIKE HOW I'M RUNNING THIS CASE.
- THE WITNESS: You're picking the rules, your Honor, how you want the rules applied. For example, you locked up my attorney and applied a rule that you didn't enforce with Attorney Leone, the same Order.
- THE COURT: You think I should have sent them both down the other day and hold hands?
- The witness: I think somebody, the right Person if you're a judge, you're going to do the right thing and not be judgmental, not showing favoritism. Where is the order to show cause for the missing medical records?
- THE COURT: That issue has never been presented to me.
- PAGE 156 LINE 16
- THE WITNESS: That was in the mandamus before You. You chose how you wanted to answer that Mandamus.

- ATTY. BERDICK: Your Honor, if I may, I know it's a long day. You should be responsive to the judge's specific questions. That's part of the proceeding.
- There might be a time, if it comes, you can get into an argument...
- THE WITNESS: I answered.
- ATTY. BERDICK: You've got to answer his questions not your own.
- THE WITNESS: You asked me five times, I said No, no, no. no.
- ATTY. BERDICK: Thank you your Honor.
- THE COURT: Counsel, have we had enough fun today? We'll resume Monday at two o'clock, we'll finish on that day.
- THE WITNESS: I'll be in the appellate court at Two o'clock on that day, your Honor.
- THE COURT: Well, we don't need you.
- ATTY. BERDICK: If I may, my client, from my understanding.... I'm not the attorney of record but I am aware, I am cognizant of the fact that he has an oral argument.
- THE COURT: I know. Ten o'clock Tuesday.
- ATTY BERDICK: Thank you, your Honor.
- THE WITNESS: I can step down, your Honor?
- THE COURT: Yeah.

Wherefore, I, Sylvester Traylor, for the above and enclose transcripts reasons I hereby requests that the Judiciary Committee do not confirm Judge Thomas F. Parker's reappoint as a judge for the State of Connecticut.

January 20, 2015

The Opposition to Judge Parker's reappointment,

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