

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution Concerning the Protection of County Employees and Elected Officials)) RESOLUTION 2019- 22

WHEREAS, a judge of the Superior Court has found probable cause to charge Superior Court Judge Scott D. Gallina with crimes against persons, including Rape in the Second Degree, Assault in the Second Degree, and Indecent Liberties;

AND WHEREAS, the Washington State Patrol is conducting an ongoing investigation in this matter;

AND WHEREAS, Scott D. Gallina still occupies the office of Superior Court Judge for Columbia County and may still perform the duties of his office pending criminal and judicial discipline proceedings;

AND WHEREAS, the County has an interest in and desire to protect fully the rights of all elected officials, department heads, and employees of the County;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Columbia County Board of Commissioners will issue a temporary policy during the pendency of all criminal matters and judicial conduct matters concerning Judge Scott Gallina.

This policy is intended to protect the safety and rights of County employees and elected officials;

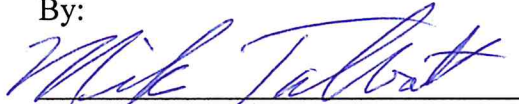
THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Columbia County Board of County Commissioners the following policy:

No County employee may have in-person contact with Superior Court Judge Scott D. Gallina without the presence of an elected official or department head, until further order of the Columbia County Board of County Commissioners. The Board further recommends that for protection of his own rights and interests, Judge Gallina not have in-person interaction with a County employee without the presence of another elected official or department head.

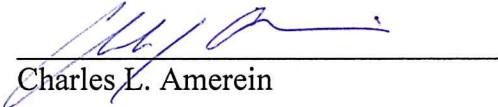
ENACTED this 11th day of April, 2019.

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By:



Michael A. Talbott, Chair



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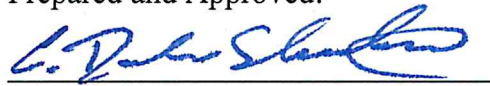
Ryan R. Rundell

Attest:



Leanne Peters, Clerk of the Board

Prepared and Approved:



C. Dale Slack, Prosecuting Attorney
and Risk Manager