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May 31, 2019

Honorable Jim Baker
Faulkner County Judge
801 Locust Street
Conway, Arkansas 72032

Re: Case No. 2018-CO-101

Dear County Judge Baker:

On December 20, 2018, the Ethics Commission mailed you a certified letter containing a copy of the citizen complaint filed against you in the above-referenced case. In that letter, you were notified that an investigation was being commenced regarding the issue of whether or not, in your capacity as Faulkner County Judge and the incumbent candidate for Faulkner County Judge in the 2018 election cycle, you violated Ark. Code Ann. § 7-1-103(a)(3)(A) by using items of personal property provided with public funds for campaign purposes.

You subsequently signed a written Offer of Settlement pursuant to which it was agreed that the Commission make a finding that, in your capacity as Faulkner County Judge and the incumbent candidate for Faulkner County Judge in the 2018 election cycle, you violated Ark. Code Ann. § 7-1-103(a)(3)(A) by using a County cell phone and email account in connection with approximately ten (10) email exchanges involving campaign related matters.

As part of its disposition of this matter, the Commission is hereby issuing you this **Public Letter of Caution** which is advisory in nature and serves to give clear notice that your conduct violated the law. You are advised not to engage in the same activity again.

This disciplinary action is taken pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 7-6-218(b)(4.).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Juneau". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Tony Juneau
Chairman