## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION IH CASE NO. 502014CP003698XXXXNB

TED BERNSTEIN, AS TRUSTEE OF THE SHIRLEY BERNSTEIN TRUST AGREEMENT DATED MAY 20, 2008 AS AMENDED Plaintiff V. ALEXANDRA BERNSTEIN; ET AL. Defendants

## **ORDER CONFIRMING DENIAL OF DISQUALIFICATION MOTION**

This matter came before the Court at the close of trial December 15, 2015, when defendant Elliott Bernstein orally moved for recusal of the undersigned. The Court adjourned for 5 minutes to allow Mr. Bernstein to put his motion into written form. Mr. Bernstein then presented the "Verified Sworn Emergency Petition and Affidavit for Immediate Mandatory Disqualification of Circuit Judge John L Phillips", and "Notice of Correction to Verified Sworn Emergency Petition and Affidavit for Immediate Mandatory Disqualification of Circuit Judge John Phillips", both dated December 4, 2015. These documents had previously been presented to the Court seeking disqualification of the undersigned (see Docket Entries 94 and 98) and were denied as legally insufficient by Order entered December 8, 2015 (Docket Entry 98).

In an abundance of caution, on December 15, 2015, the undersigned entered a handwritten Order denying this new presentation of the already-ruled-upon request for disqualification. Whereupon, it is **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED**:

- 1. The handwritten Order dated December 15, 2015, denying defendant Elliott Bernstein's previously-ruled-upon requests for disqualification, described above, is hereby **CONFIRMED**.
- 2. The above-described requests for disqualification are legally insufficient, and are properly **DENIED**.

DONE AND ORDERED in West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this 16th day of December, 2015.

Circuit Judge

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