

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF UTAH

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Re: Inquiry Concerning  
Judge Kevin Christensen

No. 20260580-SC

JCC Case Nos. 25-2JC-124

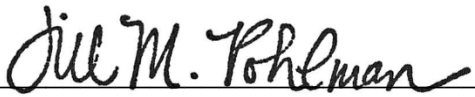
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ORDER

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Supreme Court by Article VIII, Section 13 of the Utah Constitution and Utah Code section 78A-11-111, the Court approves the implementation of the Judicial Conduct Commission's Order of Censure.

FOR THE COURT:

June 10, 2026  
Dated

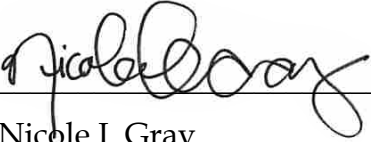
  
Jill M. Pohlman  
Associate Chief Justice

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 10, 2026, a true and correct copy of ORDER was sent by email to the following:

KEVIN CHRISTENSEN  
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BRIGHAM CITY UT 84302

ALEX G. PETERSON  
apeterson@utah.gov

By:   
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Nicole I. Gray  
Clerk of Court  
Utah Supreme Court

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BEFORE THE UTAH SUPREME COURT

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

JCC SUBMISSION

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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Pursuant to Utah Code §78A-11-110, the Utah Judicial Conduct Commission ("the Commission"), via Executive Director Alex G. Peterson submits the following record for consideration.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2026

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alex G. Peterson", written over a horizontal line.

A.G. Peterson, Bar No. 06306  
Executive Director  
Judicial Conduct Commission

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2026, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing JCC Submission on the Honorable Kevin Christensen, by mailing the same via postage prepaid certified mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the following:

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302



A. G. Peterson,  
Executive Director,  
Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 S. State Street, #401  
Salt Lake City, UT 84115

**In re Hon. Kevin Christensen  
JCC Case No. 25-2JC-124**

**Submission  
to the  
Utah Supreme Court**

**A. G. Peterson  
Executive Director  
Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 S. State St., Suite 401  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115  
(801) 468-0021**

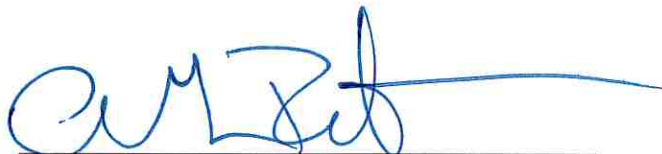
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| 1          | Memo to Utah Judicial Conduct Commission ("JCC") recommending Preliminary Investigation (JCC approved a Full Investigation)                                                                                                                                                         | March 18, 2025 |
| 2          | Memo to JCC updating Full Investigation with attachments recommending disposition                                                                                                                                                                                                   | April 15, 2026 |
| 3          | Formal Charges Case #25-2JC-124                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | April 15, 2026 |
| 4          | Signed Stipulation between parties on facts, disposition by consent and Censure                                                                                                                                                                                                     | April 19, 2026 |
| 5          | Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | April 30, 2026 |
| 6          | JCC Order of Censure                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | May 1, 2026    |
| 7          | Miscellaneous written Correspondence Between JCC and Kevin Christensen – if a sanction is reached and an order is sent to the Utah Supreme Court; the record will include all correspondence and other documents which passed between the commission and the judge. UCA 78A-110(4). | Various        |

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 2026, I delivered a true and correct copy of the foregoing Submission to Utah Supreme Court to:

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302



A. G. Peterson  
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Tab 1





Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO** Judicial Conduct Commissioners  
**FROM** Alex Peterson  
**DATE** March 18, 2025  
**RE** Request to open an investigation (Hon. Kevin Christensen)

**MESSAGE**

I received and returned reporter phone calls and emails regarding Judge Kevin Christensen. In addition, I received a notice from Ron Gordon at the AOC per Utah Statute requiring the Supreme Court to notify the JCC before that Court suspended a Judge. That notice was provided to the Commissioners. The Supreme Court has suspended Judge Christensen. Judge Christensen has resigned his position and has been booked into jail.

Attached are supporting evidence and communications.

**The Commission should determine:**

- 1. Whether to open a preliminary investigation.**

**I recommend Yes.**

4/1/2025 JCC voted to move to FI

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Utah Court Notices <notices@utcourts.gov>  
**Date:** March 14, 2025 at 11:29:56 AM EDT  
**Subject:** Justice Court Vacancy Announced for Willard  
**Reply-To:** listserv@utahbar.org

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## JUSTICE COURT VACANCY ANNOUNCED FOR WILLARD

**Willard, Utah**—Applications are being accepted for a part-time justice court judge position that will serve Willard, Utah. The successful candidate will replace Judge Kevin Christensen who has resigned his position.

To be considered for a justice court judgeship in Box Elder County, candidates must be at least 25 years of age, a citizen of the United States, a Utah resident for at least three years, and have a degree from a law school that would make one eligible to apply for admission to a bar in any state in the United States. In addition, applicants must be a resident of Box Elder County or an adjacent county either upon appointment or before taking the bench.

Information on judicial retention and performance evaluation is posted on the Utah State Court's website at [www.utcourts.gov](http://www.utcourts.gov) under employment opportunities. An application for judicial office form must be completed and is available on the court's website (<https://legacy.utcourts.gov/employment>). The salary range for the position is \$24,556 to \$31,527 per year and does not include benefits. For additional information about working for Willard, email Jeremy Kimpton, Willard City Manager, at [jkimpton@willardcityut.gov](mailto:jkimpton@willardcityut.gov) or call him at (435) 734-9881.

The deadline for applications is Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. Applications cannot be submitted after the deadline. For questions about the justice courts or the process for filling this position, email Jim Peters, Justice Court Administrator, at [jamesp@utcourts.gov](mailto:jamesp@utcourts.gov).

Utah law requires the Judicial Nominating Commission to submit at least three nominees to Mayor Mote within 45 days of its first meeting. Mayor Mote will then have 30 days in which to select a finalist. His selection must then be ratified by the Willard City Council and certified by the Utah Judicial Council.

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# Box Elder judge arrested, accused of sexually enticing minors on chat app

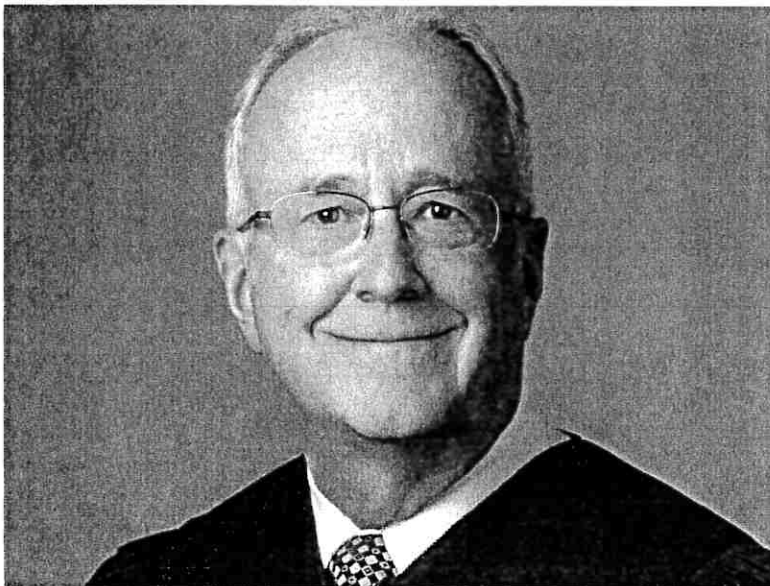
Published: March 7, 2025, 11:07 p.m. MST



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1st District Justice Court Judge Kevin Christensen was arrested Thursday and accused of enticing minors through sexual conversations on a chat app. | Utah State Courts

By Cassidy Wixom, KSL.com

A Box Elder County judge has been arrested and accused of enticing minors through sexual conversations on a chat app.

Kevin Robert Christensen, 64, was booked into jail Thursday for investigation of enticing a minor for sexual activity, dealing in materials harmful to minors, and attempted sexual exploitation of a minor. Christensen is a judge in Utah's [1st District Justice Court](#).

FBI investigators discovered on Feb. 28 that an individual in Box Elder County "was using the internet-based chatting application KIK to communicate with others about sexually abusing children, sexually exploiting children and enticing children," a police booking affidavit says.

The individual was later identified as Christensen, police said, and multiple suspicious chat threads were found on the KIK account.

In a chat on Nov. 2, Christensen was talking to a user who said she was 13 years old and he "directs the conversation toward sexual topics and engages in graphic sexual chats with the child," the affidavit alleges. He is also accused of sending a graphic video of a man.

"After engaging in graphic sexual chats with the child, Christensen then states that the chat was merely fantasy. The child expresses confusion into why Christensen would say that. There is no evidence in the chat that the conversation was fantasy or that the parties were engaged in a role-play," police wrote in the affidavit.

In a separate chat on Sept. 3, Christensen is accused of communicating with a user who said she was 16 years old. Christensen and the girl engaged in graphic sexual conversations where he praised her body after receiving pictures from her and then sent explicit pictures to her, according to the arrest report.

"At this time, there is extensive evidence suggesting that the defendant has communicated with multiple underage people online," the affidavit states. "In other chats with adults, he expresses sexual interest in young children and solicits (child sexual abuse material) from those people."

The report also says there is evidence showing Christensen has engaged in distributing and receiving child sexual abuse material. In other chats, Christensen allegedly made "multiple references" to sexually abusing other children. Police said those allegations are being investigated.

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"Evidence of these offenses were found in the recovered chat, and the descriptions of these offenses were vivid, detailed and numerous," the affidavit says.

In regards to Christensen's job as a sitting justice court judge, the arresting officer wrote, "The position of trust he holds in the community and the actions he undertook while in this position significantly undermine the confidence of the community in the legitimacy of the criminal justice system."

Christensen was booked into the Davis County Jail on Thursday, and police have requested that he be held without bail.

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Alex Peterson <apeterson@utah.gov>

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## Judge Kevin Christensen's cases

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**Brock Marchant** <bmarshall@sltrib.com>

Wed, Mar 12, 2025 at 1:49 PM

To: apeterson@utah.gov

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Hello,

I'm a reporter with The Salt Lake Tribune. Given the recent charges filed against Judge Kevin Christensen and the information that's been discovered about his relationship with former Tremonton Fire Chief Ned Brady, I'm wondering if the Judicial Conduct Commission is considering reviewing cases decided by Christensen? If so, what cases would be reviewed?

What would that process look like?

Best,  
Brock Marchant  
The Salt Lake Tribune  
801-810-8467

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Executive Director

# State of Utah

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO** Judicial Conduct Commissioners  
**FROM** Alex Peterson  
**DATE** April 15, 2026  
**RE** Full Investigation 25-2JC-124 (Hon. Kevin Christensen)

**MESSAGE** Case History:  
Mid-march 2025 – I receive news reports regarding criminal allegations and an arrest report. The AOC informed JCC regarding the matter. The Judiciary suspends the judge.  
1 April 2025 – JCC reviews reports and authorizes Full Investigation.  
April 2025 – Correspondence with AOC, AOC GC, and investigation. Judge Christensen resigns from judicial office.  
May 2025 – Mr. Christensen remains incarcerated. He has been notified of the JCC Full Investigation  
June 2025 – Mr. Christensen agreed to Formal Charges and stipulated settlement. Copies for his review were provided to him.  
July 2025 – Prepared draft Formal Charges, draft stipulation in support of Formal Charges, and served them on the judge. Mr. Christensen asked for delay in JCC processing pending a hearing.  
Aug 2025 to Mar 2026 – Preliminary motions and setting of trial

Full Investigation update: Judge denied motion to dismiss. On 9 December 2025, this matter was set for trial on 17-19 June 2026. On 9 April 2026, Mr. Christensen pled guilty to three (3) 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Felony counts per statement to the court (enclosure 1) and an amended information (enclosure 2). Judge Conklin accepted his pleas and scheduled sentencing for 8 June (enclosure 3).

I contacted his criminal attorney. I also sent him a stipulation for discipline by consent (Public Censure) and Formal Charges based on his pleas and judicial findings. Attached are draft Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law based on the stipulation and formal charges.

I recommend the JCC make findings and approve disposition by Public Censure.

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DEREK E. BROWN #10476  
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*Attorneys for Plaintiff*

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
IN AND FOR WEBER COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

|                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| STATE OF UTAH,<br><br>Plaintiff,<br><br>vs.<br><br>KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN,<br><br>DOB: 06/14/1960<br><br>Defendant. | STATEMENT OF DEFENDANT IN<br>SUPPORT OF GUILTY PLEA<br><br><br><br>Case No. 251900580<br><br>Judge: CATHERINE CONKLIN |
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I, KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, hereby acknowledge and certify that I have been advised of and understand the following facts and rights:

Notification of Charges

I am pleading guilty to the following crimes:

| Crimes & Statutory Provisions                             | Degree          | Punishment Min/Max and/or Minimum Mandatory                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| ENTICING A MINOR<br>USING THE INTERNET<br>§76-4-401       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 0 to 5 years in prison.<br>\$5,000 fine, plus 90% surcharge |
| DEALING IN MATERIALS<br>HARMFUL TO A MINOR<br>§76-10-1206 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 0 to 5 years in prison.<br>\$5,000 fine, plus 90% surcharge |



DEALING IN MATERIALS  
HARMFUL TO A MINOR  
§76-10-1206

3<sup>rd</sup>

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surcharge

I have received a copy of the *Information* containing the charges against me. I have read it, or had it read to me, and I understand the nature and the elements of the crimes to which I am pleading guilty.

The elements of the crimes to which I am pleading guilty are:

COUNT 1: The Defendant, in Box Elder County, State of Utah, knowingly used an electronic communication device to solicit, seduce, lure, or entice, or attempt to solicit, seduce, lure, or entice the minor or a person the defendant believed to be a minor in sexual activity that is a violation of state criminal law, in violation of Utah Code Ann., §76-4-401.

COUNT 2: The Defendant, in Box Elder County, State of Utah, did knowingly and intentionally distribute to a minor or an individual whom the person believes to be a minor, any material harmful to minors as defined by Utah law, in violation of Utah Code Ann., §76-10-1206.

COUNT 3: The Defendant, in Box Elder County, State of Utah, did knowingly and intentionally distribute to a minor or an individual whom the person believes to be a minor, any material harmful to minors as defined by Utah law, in violation of Utah Code Ann., §76-10-1206.

I understand that, by pleading guilty, I will be admitting that I committed the crimes listed above. I stipulate and agree that the following facts describe my conduct and the conduct of other persons for which I am criminally liable. These facts provide a basis for the court to accept my guilty plea and prove the elements of the crimes to which I am pleading guilty:

Between September 3, 2024 and November 2, 2024, in Box Elder County, the Defendant, KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, engaged in two separate online conversations with individuals who stated they were minors.

In one chat (counts 1 and 2), the individual Defendant chatted with stated she was a 16-year-old female. During that chat, after receiving an image, Defendant comments how he "loves" the minor's "tits," states he wants to see them more, and asks if the minor ever does live "pics or vids."

During this same chat conversation, the Defendant sent an image depicting a male penis.

In another chat (count 3), the individual Defendant chatted with stated she was a 13-year-old female. During that chat, Defendant sent an image depicting a male penis.

### **Waiver of Constitutional Rights**

I am entering these plea(s) voluntarily. I understand that I have the following rights under the constitutions of Utah and of the United States. I also understand that if I plead guilty, I will give up all the following rights:

**Counsel:** I know that I have the right to be represented by an attorney and that, if I cannot afford one, an attorney will be appointed by the court at no cost to me. I understand that I might later, if the judge determines that I am able, be required to pay for the appointed lawyer's service to me.

I have not waived my right to counsel. My attorney is RYAN BUSHELL. My attorney and I have fully discussed this statement, my rights, and the consequences of my guilty pleas. I am satisfied with the advice I have received from my counsel.

**Preliminary Hearing:** For any Felony or Class A Misdemeanor case, I have a right to a preliminary hearing where the State carries the burden of proof, and the magistrate is required to find probable cause that the crimes listed in the information were committed and that I committed them. I have the right to cross examine the State's witnesses, to testify, to call witnesses, and to present evidence if I so choose. If the State fails to meet this burden, I am entitled to the dismissal of charges. If no preliminary hearing was held in this case, I am giving up that right by signing below.

**Jury Trial:** I know that I have a right to a speedy and public trial by an impartial (unbiased) jury and that I will be giving up that right by pleading guilty.

**Confrontation and cross-examination of witnesses:** I know that if I were to have a trial, a) I would have the right to see and observe the witnesses who testify against me, and b) my attorney, or myself if I waived my right to an attorney, would have the opportunity to cross-examine all of the witnesses who testify against me.

**Right to compel witnesses:** I know that if I were to have a trial, I could call witnesses if I chose to, and I would be able to obtain subpoenas requiring the attendance and testimony of those witnesses. If I could not afford to pay for the witnesses to appear, the State would pay those costs.

**Right to testify and privilege against self-incrimination:** I know that if I were to have a trial, I would have the right to testify on my own behalf. I also know that, if I chose not to testify, no one could make me testify or make me give evidence against myself. I also know that, if I chose not to testify, the jury would be told that they could not hold my refusal to testify against me.

**Presumption of innocence and burden of proof:** I know that if I do not plead guilty, I am presumed innocent until the State proves that I am guilty of the charged crimes. If I choose to fight the charges against me, I need only plead "not guilty," and my case will be set for a trial. At a trial, the State would have the burden of proving each element of the charge beyond a reasonable doubt. If the trial is before a jury, the verdict must be unanimous, meaning that each juror would have to find me guilty.

I understand that if I plead guilty, I give up the presumption of innocence and will be admitting that I committed the crime(s) stated above.

**Appeal:** I know that under the Utah Constitution, if I were convicted by a jury or judge, I would have the right to appeal my conviction and sentence. If I could not afford the cost of an appeal, the State would pay those costs for me. I understand that I am giving up my right to appeal my conviction if I plead guilty. I understand that if I wish to appeal my sentence, I must file a notice of the appeal within 30 days after my sentence is entered.

I know and understand that, by pleading guilty, I am waiving and giving up all the statutory and constitutional rights as explained above.

#### Consequences of Entering a Guilty Plea

**Potential penalties:** I know the maximum sentence that may be imposed for the crimes to which I am pleading guilty. I know that by pleading guilty to a crime that carries a mandatory penalty, I will be subjecting myself to serving a mandatory penalty for the crime. I know my sentence may include a prison term, fine, or both.

I know that in addition to a fine, a ninety percent (90%) surcharge will be imposed. I also know that I may be ordered to make restitution to any victim of my crimes, including any restitution that may be owed on charges that are dismissed as part of a plea agreement.

**Consecutive/concurrent prison terms:** I know that if there is more than one crime involved, the sentences may be imposed one after another (consecutively), or they may run at the same time (concurrently). I know that I may be charged an additional fine for each crime that I plead to. I also know that if I am on probation or parole or am awaiting sentencing on another offense of which I have been convicted or to which I have pled guilty, my guilty pleas now may result in consecutive sentences being imposed on me. If an offense to which I am now pleading guilty occurred when I was imprisoned or on parole, I know the law requires the court to impose consecutive sentences unless the court finds and states on the record that consecutive sentences would be inappropriate.

**No right to reduction of conviction:** If my defense attorney or anyone else has told me I may be able, in the future, to have the judgment changed to a conviction one or two levels lower than what I am pleading guilty to and being sentenced for, I understand that any reduction is not automatic or guaranteed and may not happen even if the prosecutor agrees to it, and if it does happen, the title of the offense I am convicted of will not be changed. I know that the possibility

of a reduction is separate and distinct from the sentence imposed. I also understand that I cannot get any reduction for as long as I am required to register as a sex offender. The laws that will determine whether I can get a reduction will be the laws in effect when I am fully eligible for a reduction, if I ever am, and the laws may change in the future, and no attorney or judge or anyone else can predict whether I ever will be entitled to a reduction.

### **Acknowledgment of Firearm Restriction**

I acknowledge and understand that:

**1. Firearm restriction as a result of a conviction from entering a plea.**

If my conviction is the result of a guilty or no contest plea, I acknowledge that before entering my plea my attorney or the prosecuting attorney informed me that:

- A conviction in this case will classify me as a restricted person;
- As a restricted person, I may not possess a firearm. This means I cannot purchase, transfer, or own a firearm. I cannot have a firearm in my physical possession, own a firearm, or be perceived by others to own a firearm, and I cannot exercise control over a firearm;
- there will be additional criminal charges and penalties if I possess a firearm, which include:
  - ☒ (For a Category I restricted person)  
charges for a second-degree felony: 1-15 years in prison, up to \$10,000 +90% surcharge
  - ☐ (For a Category II restricted person)  
charges for a third-degree felony: 0-5 years in prison, up to \$5,000 +90% surcharge

I acknowledge and understand that, by pleading guilty or no contest:

- I will be a restricted person;
- upon conviction, I must forfeit possession of each firearm I possess; and
- I will be in violation of federal and state law if I possess a firearm.

### **Plea Agreement**

My guilty pleas are the result of a plea agreement between myself, my attorney, and the prosecuting attorney. I understand that in exchange for my guilty plea and my agreement to these specific terms of probation the State has agreed to recommend a resolution as set forth in greater detail in this plea agreement. Each of the terms of probation has been specifically and individually negotiated and I have reviewed and agreed to each agreed upon term of probation. All the promises, duties, and provisions of the plea agreement, if any, are fully contained in this statement, including those explained below:

The defendant agrees to plead guilty to Counts 1, 2 and 3, if the defendant enters this plea, the prosecution agrees to file an Amended Information reflecting the plea.

The defendant agrees that a Presentence Investigation report be conducted and a report prepared prior to sentencing.

There is no sentencing agreement between the parties and sentencing will be left open for argument at the sentencing hearing.

Judge Not Bound: I understand that if the prosecutor agrees to make a sentencing or restitution recommendation, or agrees to make no recommendation, that agreement binds only the prosecutor. I understand that other branches of the State, including law enforcement agencies and Adult Probation and Parole, are allowed to make sentencing recommendations to the court that are different from those made by the prosecutor, and that the court, in deciding what my sentence will be, is not bound by any of the recommendations. Other persons, including any victims of my crime(s), are entitled to address the judge before I am sentenced. I know that the judge is bound only by the law, not by anyone's recommendation or prediction. No matter what my defense attorney, the prosecutor, any victim, or anyone else recommends or predicts, the judge alone will determine my sentence, within the limits of the law.

Citizenship: I understand that if I am not a United States citizen, my plea(s) today may, or even will, subject me to deportation under United States immigration laws and regulations, or otherwise adversely affect my immigration status, which may include permanently barring my re-entry into the United States. I understand that if I have questions about the effect of my plea on my immigration status, I should consult with an immigration attorney.

#### Defendant's Certification of Voluntariness

\_\_\_\_\_ I am entering these pleas of my own free will and choice. No force, threats, or unlawful influence of any kind have been made to get me to plead guilty. No promises except those contained in this statement have been made to me.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read this statement, or I have had it read to me by my attorney, and I understand its contents and adopt each statement in it as my own. I know that I am free to change or delete anything contained in this statement, but I do not wish to make changes because all of the statements are correct.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am satisfied with the advice and assistance of my attorney.

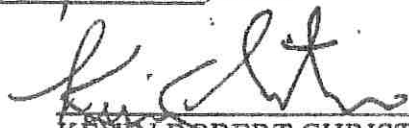
\_\_\_\_\_ I am 65 years of age. I have attended school through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. I can read and understand the English language. If I do not understand English, an interpreter has been provided to me. I was not under the influence of any drugs, medication, or intoxicants which would impair my judgment when I decided to plead guilty. I am not presently under the influence of any drug, medication, or intoxicants which impair my judgment.



\_\_\_\_\_ I believe myself to be of sound and discerning mind and to be mentally capable of understanding these proceedings and the consequences of my pleas. I am free of any mental disease, defect, or impairment that would prevent me from understanding what I am doing or from knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily entering my pleas.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if I want to withdraw my guilty pleas, I must file a written motion to withdraw my plea before sentence is announced. I understand that for a plea held in abeyance, a motion to withdraw from the plea agreement must be made before sentencing. I will only be allowed to withdraw my plea if I show that it was not knowingly and voluntarily made. I understand that any challenge to my plea made after sentencing must be pursued under the Post-Conviction Remedies Act in Title 78, Chapter 35a, and Rule 65 C of the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure.

DATED this 9 day of April, 2026.

  
KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN

#### CERTIFICATE OF DEFENSE ATTORNEY

I certify that I am the attorney for KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, the defendant, and that I know he/she has read this *Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Pleas* or that I have read it to him/her; I have discussed it with him and believe that he fully understands the meaning of its contents and is mentally and physically competent. To the best of my knowledge and belief, after an appropriate investigation, the elements of the crimes and the factual synopsis of the defendant's criminal conduct are correctly stated, and those, along with the other representations and declarations made by the defendant in the foregoing statement, are accurate and true.

DATED this 9 day of April, 2026.

  
RYAN BUSHELL  
Attorney for the Defendant

Kevin Christensen

## CERTIFICATE OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

I certify that I am the prosecuting attorney for the State of Utah in this case against ~~JOSHUA SNYDER~~, the defendant. I have reviewed this *Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Pleas* and find that the factual basis of the defendant's criminal conduct that constitutes the offense(s) is true and correct. No improper inducements, threats, or coercion to encourage a plea has been offered to the defendant. The plea negotiations are fully contained in this document or as supplemented on the record before the Court. There is reasonable cause to believe that the evidence would support the conviction of defendant for the offense(s) for which the plea(s) is/are entered and that the acceptance of the plea would serve the public interest.

DATED this 9th day of April, 2026.

/s/ Austin Memmott

AUSTIN MEMMOTT

Assistant Attorney General

## JUDICIAL ORDER

Based on the facts set forth in the Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Plea, the certification of defendant and counsel, the colloquy held with Defendant in open-court, and the Court witnessing Defendant affirm his signature and/or sign the Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Pleas, the Court finds Defendant's guilty plea(s) is/are freely, knowingly, and voluntarily made.

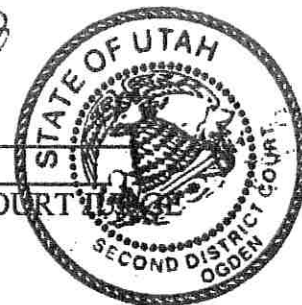
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the defendant's guilty plea(s) to the crimes set forth in this Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Plea be accepted and entered.

DATED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.



HON.

DISTRICT COURT



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IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
IN AND FOR WEBER COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

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STATE OF UTAH,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN,

DOB: 06/14/1960

Defendant.

**AMENDED INFORMATION**

Case No.: 251900580

Judge: CATHERINE CONKLIN

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The State of Utah, by and through the Utah Attorney General's Office, charges the defendant with the commission of the following offenses:

**COUNT 1**

**ENTICING A MINOR USING THE INTERNET**, a Third-degree felony, in violation of Utah Code Ann 76-4-401, on or about November 2, 2024, in Box Elder County, State of Utah, the defendant, KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, did knowingly use a computer to solicit, seduce, lure, or entice, or attempt to solicit, seduce, lure, or entice the minor to engage or a person the defendant believed to be a minor in sexual activity that is a violation of state criminal law: to wit: Aggravated Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, distribution of child sexual abuse material. The minor was 16 years old.

**COUNT 2**

**DEALING IN MATERIALS HARMFUL TO A MINOR**, a Third-Degree Felony, in violation of Utah Code § 76-10-1206, in that on or about November 2, 2024, in Box Elder County, State of Utah, the defendant KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, did knowingly and intentionally distribute or offer to distribute, or exhibit or offer to exhibit, to a minor or an individual whom



the person believes to be a minor, any material harmful to minors as defined by Utah law and the minor was 16 years old.

### **COUNT 3**

**DEALING IN MATERIALS HARMFUL TO A MINOR**, a Third-Degree Felony, in violation of Utah Code § 76-10-1206, in that on or about September 3, 2024, in Box Elder County, State of Utah, the defendant KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, did knowingly and intentionally distribute or offer to distribute, or exhibit or offer to exhibit, to a minor or an individual whom the person believes to be a minor, any material harmful to minors as defined by Utah law and the minor was 13 years old.

### **NOTICE OF DEMAND FOR FORFEITURE OF PROPERTY**

Pursuant to Utah Code § 77-11b-301, the following notice is provided: The Utah Attorney General's Office is seeking to forfeit the defendant's interest in the electronic devices and other items seized in connection to this case, as detailed in the property receipt form provided to the defendant, in that the items are believed to be property that was used to facilitate the commission of an offense that is a violation of federal or state law or proceeds.

THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON EVIDENCE AND INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES: Jason Merrill, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

### **STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE:**

1. On February 28th, 2025 investigators working on the FBI's Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force (CEHTF) became aware of an individual in Box Elder County, UT using the internet-based chatting application communicate with others about sexually abusing children, sexually exploiting children, and enticing children.
2. Law enforcement identified the individual engaged in these communications as KEVIN ROBERT CHRISTENSEN, the Defendant
3. Law enforcement obtained a warrant for the Defendant's communications on the app.
4. In that chat application the Defendant discusses many personal details about himself and sends multiple pictures of himself and his family members to other people.
5. Defendant also sends multiple pictures of his penis and videos of himself masturbating to many people.

6. In many of the chats the Defendant expresses his sexual interest in young children.
7. In one conversation, the other party stated she was a 13-year-old female child. Her identity is currently unknown to law enforcement.
8. The Defendant directed the conversation to sexual topics, discussing sleeping naked, having sex, sex with older men, masturbation, and pornography. This kind of conversation is consistent with common grooming techniques used to break down barriers of children to entice or coerce children into sexual abuse.
9. Without any prompting from the child, the Defendant sent a video of himself masturbating to the child. The Defendant said that sending that video was an accident. However, the Defendant continued to engage the child in sexually charged conversation after sending the video, asking the child "what happens to [her] body" "when [she] get[s] excited."
10. The Defendant states that "[i]t's fun to talk naughty" and brings up a minor female relative under that age of 13 and states that the child might like his relative.
11. The Defendant then asks the child what she would do with his relative and encourages the child to "[p]retend [she's] in a movie," clarifying he meant "a porn movie," and asking what sexual things the child would do to his relative, encouraging the child to "be naughty."
12. The Defendant encourages discussion about the child sodomizing his relative and states that he would "like to make a movie with [the relative] and [the child]."
13. The Defendant continues to engage in graphic sexual conversations with the child and states at one point that he has watched child sex abuse materials ("CSAM," colloquially known as child pornography) depicting an adult female sexually abusing a child who was approximately 8 years old.
14. In a different chat, the Defendant chatted with another person who identified herself as a 16-year-old female. Her identity is currently unknown to law enforcement.
15. Early in the conversation it appears from the context of the chats that the female minor

- sends a picture of her breasts. The Defendant responds, "Oh wow I love your tits."
16. The conversation immediately becomes graphically sexual and the context of the chats show the Defendant appears to send the female minor a picture of his penis.
  17. During the course of the sexual conversation the Defendant repeatedly asks for the female minor to produce or distribute CSAM of herself, stating "I want to see more of your tits" multiple times. The Defendant also appears to send multiple pictures of his penis and a video of himself masturbating.
  18. The Defendant also asks the female minor "Do you ever do live pics or vids?" In sexually charged chats like this, this kind of request is common for the parties to engage in a live video call and engage in mutual masturbation or "video sex," sometimes also referred to as livestream CSAM.
  19. At no point in the chat does either party suggest that this is a roleplay or fantasy chat and the minor female at no points suggests that she is not a minor female.
  20. Defendant's reactions to the pictures he appears to receive from the minor female suggest that he is receiving CSAM and suggest that the pictures he receives are CSAM of the minor female.
  21. In other chats the Defendant also engages with people and solicits them to send him CSAM.
  22. For instance, on August 10, 2024, the Defendant engaged in a chat with another person. The parties are discussing sexual arousal and the other party asks what arouses the Defendant. The Defendant responds, "I love young." This is common slang for CSAM depicting young children.
  23. The Defendant states that he is sexually interested in male and female CSAM and states he loves "hairless" female genitals.
  24. The other party asks if the Defendant wants to "trade and perv" which is common slang for trading CSAM. The Defendant responds, "I just started [using an encrypted app] again. I need to start my collection again. But we can talk and perv." "Collection" in this

context is common slang for a collection of CSAM.

25. The Defendant states that “[o]nce [he] gets a couple of pics [of CSAM], it is easy for [him] to trade and get tons more.” The other party responds, “I can help,” and the Defendant then sends the other party a code for an encrypted app used to receive and distribute CSAM.
26. These are a sampling of the Defendant’s numerous chats. In these chats there is a common theme of the Defendant stating he likes “young” children and talking about the sexual abuse of young children.
27. On March 6, 2024, law enforcement obtained a warrant to search for and seize electronic devices belonging to the Defendant.
28. Following the Defendant’s arrest, the Defendant was advised of his *Miranda* rights and agreed to speak with police.
29. During the interview the Defendant admitted that he was the person who had engaged in these chats. The Defendant stated that he believed all of these chats to only be fantasy chats. However, when pressed by law enforcement about soliciting CSAM, the Defendant gave no alternate explanation other than having solicited and received CSAM.
30. Defendant stated that he had deleted all evidence of these chats from his devices.

AUTHORIZED for presentment and filing this 9th day of April, 2026.

DEREK E. BROWN  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

/s/ Austin Memmott  
AUSTIN MEMMOTT  
Assistant Utah Attorney General  
Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

PRESENT

Clerk: jackietb

Prosecutor: AUSTIN MEMMOTT

Defendant Present

The defendant is in the custody of the Davis County Jail

Defendant's Attorney(s): RYAN BUSHELL

Audio

Tape Number: 4B FTR Tape Count: 1:48-1:54

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered.

The Judge orders Adult Probation and Parole to prepare a Pre-sentence report.

HEARING

Time set for Change of Plea.

Negotiations have been reached.

State will file an Amended Information and the defendant will plead as charged.

State agrees the charges may run concurrently with each other.

Court relies on the Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Plea and Certificate of Counsel to supplement a full rule 11 colloquy.

Defendant enters a guilty plea to counts 1, 2, and 3 of the Amended Information.

Plea agreement is executed.

Court accepts the pleas finds they are knowing and voluntary.

Sentencing is special set for 06/08/26 at 9:00 a.m.

(OFF RECORD)

Scheduled Jury Trial is stricken.

In-person Appearance

APP SENTENCING is scheduled.

Date: 06/08/2026

Time: 09:00 a.m.

Location: 4th Floor Northeast

Before Judge: CATHERINE CONKLIN

SECOND DISTRICT COURT

2525 GRANT AVENUE

OGDEN, UT 84401

UCJA Rule 4-401.02: court proceedings, including electronic proceedings, may NOT be recorded, photographed, or transmitted. Failure to comply with this prohibition may be treated as contempt of court, punishable by fine and time in jail.

4-09-2026 Filed: Audio Request 04/09/26

4-09-2026 Filed: Amended Information

4-09-2026 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

4-09-2026 Filed: Statement of Defendant in Support of Guilty Plea

Judge CATHERINE CONKLIN

Signed April 09, 2026

4-10-2026 Charge 76-4-401(2)+(4B) Severity F2 was amended to 76-4-401(2)+(4B) severity F3

4-10-2026 Charge 1 Disposition removed.

4-10-2026 Note: Deleted Charge 76-4-401(2)+(4B) Sequence 3

4-10-2026 Note: Deleted Charge 76-5B-201.1(2)+(3A) Sequence 4

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BEFORE THE UTAH JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

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FORMAL CHARGES

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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TO THE HONORABLE KEVIN CHRISTENSEN:

1. You are hereby notified that the Judicial Conduct Commission has authorized formal charges regarding specified allegations arising from a Full Investigation Case No. 25-2JC-124, copies of which have previously been provided to you.

2. As regards Case No. 25-2JC-124, it is alleged that you: (a) were arrested for various offense(s) detailed in an Affidavit of Probable Cause by arresting officer, Bryant Lo Re, (b) that based on that Affidavit, on 7 March 2025, Judge Cannell found probable cause existed for your arrest for those alleged offenses, (c) that Judge Cannell found that the alleged offenses included felonies and domestic violence offenses, (d) that Judge Cannell found substantial evidence to support the charges, (e) that Judge Cannell found by clear and convincing evidence you would constitute a substantial danger to individuals, the community or were likely to flee if released on bail, (f) that in his order, Judge Cannell ordered you held without bail pending your criminal trial, (g) that on 9 April 2026 you pled

guilty to three (3) separate third degree felonies (one count of Enticing a Minor Using the Internet §76-4-401 and two counts of Dealing in Materials Harmful to a Minor §76-10-1206) as supported by your statement in support of guilty plea, and (h) that on 9 April 2026 your pleas were accepted by Judge Catherine Conklin and she entered findings of guilty per your pleas.

3. It is alleged that such actions violate the following provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct:

| <b>Case No.</b> | <b>Rule</b> | <b>Canon/Rule Text</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 3.1(C) | A judge may engage in extrajudicial activities, except as prohibited by law . . . However, when engaging in extrajudicial activities, a judge shall not:<br><br>(C) participate in activities that would appear to a reasonable person to undermine the judge’s independence, integrity, or impartiality; |

4. It is further alleged that such actions constitute conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings a judicial office into disrepute, in violation



of Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution of Utah and Utah Code Ann. §78A-11-105(1).

5. You may, but are not required to, file a written response to the foregoing charges within 20 days after this document is served upon you.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex G. Peterson', written over a horizontal line.

Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director  
Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 South State Street, Suite 401  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Formal Charges on the Honorable Kevin Christensen, by mailing the same via postage prepaid first-class mail addressed to the following:

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'ARZ', followed by a horizontal line.

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BEFORE THE UTAH JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

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STIPULATION IN SUPPORT OF  
FORMAL CHARGES

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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The Honorable Kevin Christensen ("Kevin Christensen") and Examiner Alex G. Peterson on behalf of the Judicial Conduct Commission hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

1. Kevin Christensen served continuously as the Box Elder County Justice Court Judge since May 1996. For at least calendar years 2009 through 2011, Kevin Christensen also served as the justice court judge for the municipalities of Tremonton, Garland, and Willard.
2. On 21 May 2013, Kevin Christensen was publicly censured by the Utah Supreme Court for receiving an excess salary in 2013 UT 30.
3. In March 2025, Kevin Christensen resigned from his judicial office and is no longer serving in any judicial capacity.
4. On 6 March 2025, Kevin Christensen was arrested for various offense(s) detailed in an Affidavit of Probable Cause by arresting officer, Bryant Lo Re. The various offenses included Enticing a Minor, Dealing in Materials Harmful to Minor, and Attempted Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.
5. On 7 March 2025, Judge Brian Cannell found the following (a) probable cause existed for Kevin Christensen's arrest for those alleged offenses, (b) that the alleged offenses included felonies and domestic violence offenses, (c) that

substantial evidence existed to support the charges, (d) that by clear and convincing evidence Kevin Christensen would constitute a substantial danger to individuals, the community or were likely to flee if released on bail, and (e) that Kevin Christensen was ordered held without bail pending a criminal trial.

6. On 9 April 2026, Kevin Christensen pled guilty to three (3) separate third degree felonies (one count of Enticing a Minor Using the Internet §76-4-401 and two counts of Dealing in Materials Harmful to a Minor §76-10-1206) as supported by his statement in support of guilty plea.

7. Also, on 9 April 2026 Kevin Christensen's pleas were accepted by Judge Catherine Conklin and she entered findings of guilty per those pleas.

8. It is stipulated by the parties that such actions by Kevin Christensen violate the following provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct:

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9. The parties further stipulated that such actions by Kevin Christensen did not comply with the law, undermined the public confidence in the judiciary, did not avoid impropriety or the appearance of impropriety, and that these extrajudicial activities would appear to a reasonable person to undermine a judge's integrity.

10. The parties stipulate that these actions by Kevin Christensen constitute conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings a judicial office into disrepute, in violation of Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution of Utah and Utah Code Ann. §78A-11-105(1).

11. The Judicial Conduct Commission notes that Removal would be the appropriate sanction. However, given Kevin Christensen's resignation this sanction is not available. A Public Censure remains the most severe sanction available.

12. Accordingly, the Parties stipulate and agree that a Public Censure is the appropriate disposition of this matter and that Kevin Christensen agree to never and will never seek any judicial office again.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

Kevin Christensen  
Kevin Christensen

Alex G. Peterson  
Alex G. Peterson, Examiner

Kevin Christensen  
POA  
see attachment

## GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Kevin Robert Christensen, designate Karin Christensen, as my attorney in fact and agent (referred to as "my agent") to act in my name and for my benefit. I grant to my agent full power and authority to do everything necessary in exercising any of the powers herein granted as fully as I might or could do if personally present and fully competent, with full power of substitution or revocation.

I. GENERAL GRANT OF POWER. My agent shall have power to perform any act, power, duty, right or obligation whatsoever that I now have or may hereafter acquire, relating to any person, matter, transaction or property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, now owned or hereafter acquired by me, including, without limitation, the powers enumerated in paragraph 2 below.

II. ENUMERATION OF POWERS. Without in any way limiting the generality of the power and authority conferred upon my agent under paragraph 1, my agent shall have the specific powers set forth below.

2. Acquisition and Sale of Assets. To acquire, purchase, exchange, grant options to sell, sell, assign and convey real or personal property, tangible or intangible, or interests therein, on such terms and conditions as my agent shall deem proper.

3. Management of Assets. To maintain, repair, improve, invest, manage, insure, rent, lease, encumber, partition and in any manner deal with any real or personal property, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, that I now own or may hereafter acquire, upon such terms and conditions as my agent shall deem proper.

5. Banking Powers. To make, receive and endorse checks and drafts, deposit and withdraw funds, acquire and redeem certificates of deposit, in banks, savings and loan associations and other institutions, execute or release such deeds of trust or other security agreements as may be necessary or proper in the exercise of the rights and powers herein granted.

6. Motor Vehicles. To apply for a certificate of title upon, and endorse and transfer title to, any motor vehicle, and to represent in such transfer assignment that the title to said motor vehicle is free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except those specifically set forth in such transfer assignment.

IV. **Revocability.** I reserve the right to revoke this power of attorney at any time by written notice to my agent. However, with respect to any person who may rely on my agent's authority under this power of attorney, including, without limitation, any governmental agency, bank, depository, trust company, insurance company, transfer agent or investment banking company, any revocation shall not be effective until such person has received written notice of the revocation, signed by me or my agent.

V. **Passage of Time.** This power of attorney shall not be revoked or otherwise become ineffective in any way by the mere passage of time, but rather shall remain in full force and effect until revoked in the manner described in paragraph IV.

VI. **Disability of Principal.** This power of attorney shall not be affected by my incapacity or disability.

VII. **Third-Party Reliance.** Any person dealing with my agent may rely upon my agent's representations as to any matter within the scope of my agent's authority under this instrument. Any person who acts in reliance on my agent's representations or authority shall incur no liability to me or my estate. My agent may take legal action on my or my estate's behalf for any damages that may result from a person's refusal to accept or rely on my agent's representations or authority or to permit my agent to exercise the authority granted my agent by this instrument.

VIII. **Inducement.** For the purpose of inducing any persons, including, without limitation, any governmental agency, bank, depository, trust company, insurance company, transfer agent or investment banking company, to act in accordance with the powers granted in this instrument, I hereby represent, warrant and agree, for myself and my heirs, distributees, legal representatives, successors and assigns, that if this power of attorney is terminated for any reason, I and my heirs, distributees, legal representatives, successors and assigns shall hold such person harmless from any loss suffered or liability incurred by such person in acting in accordance with this power of attorney prior to such person's receipt of written notice of such termination.

IX. **Exculpation.** Under no circumstances shall my agent incur any liability to me, or to my heirs, distributees, legal representatives, successors and assigns, for acting or refraining from acting hereunder, except for my agent's own willful misconduct or gross negligence.

X. **Nomination of Guardian or Conservator.** In the event that an action is commenced to have a guardian or conservator appointed due to my incapacity, I nominate my agent as such guardian and conservator.



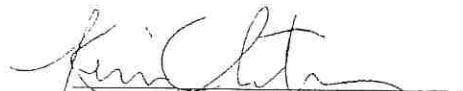
XII. **Fiduciary Powers.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this instrument, my agent shall have no rights or powers with respect to any act, power, duty, right or obligation relating to any person, matter, transaction or property owned by me, or in my custody, as a trustee, custodian, personal representative or other fiduciary.

XIV. **Governing Law.** Utah law shall govern all questions as to the validity of this power and as to the construction of its provisions.

XV. **Principles of Construction.** For purposes of interpreting this instrument, "person" means a legal entity, including, without limitation, a natural person, a corporation, a partnership, a limited liability company, a trust and an association; words in any gender include the other gender; the singular includes the plural and vice versa; and the headings and underlined paragraph titles are for guidance only and shall have no significance in the interpretation of this instrument.

XVI. **Counterparts and Photographic Copies.** This instrument may be executed in counterparts. Each executed counterpart is an original and any photographic copy of this instrument shall have the force and effect of an original.

Signed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025, to be effective immediately.

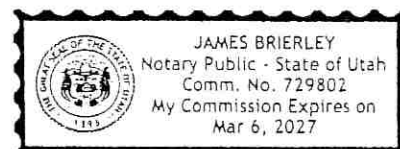
  
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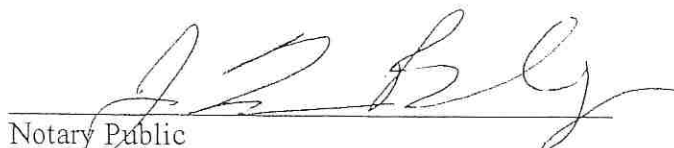
STATE OF UTAH

COUNTY OF Davis

On this 12 day of March, 2025 personally appeared before me Kevin Christensen the signer of the foregoing instrument, who duly acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal.



  
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 3/6/27

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BEFORE THE UTAH JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

FINDINGS OF FACT AND  
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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The Judicial Conduct Commission (the "Commission"), having reviewed the parties' Stipulation ("Stipulation") and having approved the same, having reviewed former Judge Kevin Christensen's ("Kevin Christensen") Judicial Conduct Commission's case history, having reviewed matters and briefings submitted by Kevin Christensen and the Examiner, now enters the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Kevin Christensen served continuously as the Box Elder County Justice Court Judge since May 1996. For at least calendar years 2009 through 2011, Kevin Christensen also served as the justice court judge for the municipalities of Tremonton, Garland, and Willard.
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7. Also, on 9 April 2026 Kevin Christensen's pleas were accepted by Judge Catherine Conklin and she entered findings of guilty per those pleas.

8. It was stipulated by Kevin Christensen that his actions violate the following provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct:

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9. Kevin Christensen stipulated to discipline by consent of a Public Censure which is the most severe sanction available to the Commission given Kevin Christensen’s resignation from the Judiciary.

10. Also, Kevin Christensen agreed to never, and will never, seek any judicial office again.

11. The Commission finds, and Kevin Christensen stipulates, that Kevin Christensen’s actions did not comply with the law, undermined the public confidence in the judiciary, did not avoid impropriety or the appearance of impropriety, and that these extrajudicial activities would appear to a reasonable person to undermine a judge’s integrity.

12. Accordingly, the Commission finds that the actions by Kevin Christensen constitute conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which

brings a judicial office into disrepute, in violation of Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution of Utah and Utah Code Ann. §78A-11-105(1).

#### APPROPRIATE SANCTION

13. The Commission considers that his prior public censure and criminal nature of this misconduct indicates that a strong sanction is appropriate.

14. The Commission notes that Removal is the appropriate sanction. However, given Kevin Christensen's resignation this sanction is not available. A Public Censure remains the most severe sanction available.

15. In evaluating what appropriate sanction to recommend, the Commission considered a number of factors. Although the capacity Kevin Christensen was acting in when the misconduct occurred was private, the misconduct was intentional, criminal and became public.

16. The Commission acknowledges that the conduct involved minors. The actions of Kevin Christensen were unprofessional and exploitative.

17. The Commission also considers how the actions of Kevin Christensen were improprieties and created an appearance of impropriety given the media coverage of the incident.

18. The Commission also considers how Kevin Christensen has accepted responsibility for his violations of the Utah Code of Judicial Conduct; and in accepting responsibility, he has agreed to not seek any future judicial offices.

19. If Kevin Christensen were on the bench, the Commission would have

sought removal. Since removal is not an option, the Commission concludes that a public censure is the appropriate sanction as the most severe sanction available.

DATED this 30 day of April 2026.

JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION:



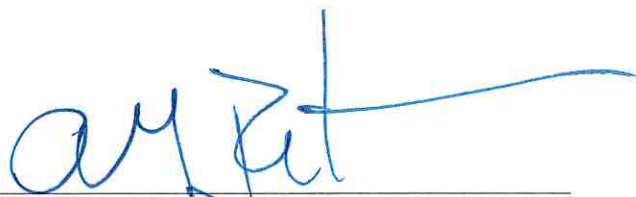
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A. G. Peterson  
Executive Director  
Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 S. State Street, #401  
Salt Lake City, UT 84115

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2026, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law to Hon. Kevin Christensen, by emailing and mailing the same via postage prepaid certified mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the following:

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302



Alex G. Peterson,  
Executive Director,  
Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 S. State Street, #401  
Salt Lake City, UT 84115



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BEFORE THE UTAH JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

ORDER OF CENSURE

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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The Judicial Conduct Commission negotiated the terms of and entered into a written Stipulation for discipline by consent in this matter. The Stipulation has been signed and approved by the Commission's Executive Director and the former Hon. Kevin Christensen. The stipulation sets forth facts and conclusions that support both the finding of judicial misconduct and the issuance of a censure. The Judicial Conduct Commission approved the stipulation, made findings of fact and conclusions of law, and now recommends that the Utah Supreme Court impose a censure in this matter as this is the most severe sanction available.

The Judicial Conduct Commission hereby orders that the Hon. Kevin Christensen be censured. This Order shall only take effect upon implementation of the same by the Utah Supreme Court.

DATED this 1st day of May, 2026.



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Cheylynn Hayman, Chair  
Judicial Conduct Commission

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2026, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Order of Censure by mailing the same via postage prepaid first-class mail, and addressed to the following:

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

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Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

1385 S. State Street, Suite 401  
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April 17, 2025

Hon. Kevin Christensen  
Inmate #847412 Medical  
Correctional Facility  
PO Box 130  
Farmington, UT 84025

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Hon. Christensen:

On 1 April 2025, the Judicial Conduct Commission authorized a Full Investigation into your actions while a judge, that you did not comply with the law, that you undermined public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary, that you failed to avoid impropriety or the appearance of impropriety, and that you participated in activities that would appear to undermine your independence, integrity, or impartiality.

It is further alleged that such actions constitute conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings a judicial office into disrepute. See Constitution of Utah, Article VIII Section 13; and Code of Judicial Conduct Rules 1.1, Rule 1.2, and Rule 3.1(C). The investigation may be expanded if appropriate.

Any relevant information to understand your position is appreciated. If any other pertinent information is not specifically requested, but could be in any way be related or helpful, please provide that as well.

The Commission investigation was commenced upon receipt of various news reports. Please find a copy of the materials that was prepared for, distributed to, and discussed with, the Commission. The Commission decided to open a Full Investigation. You are invited, but are not required, to file a written response to the allegations within the next 20 days. If you need additional time to respond, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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A.G. Peterson  
Executive Director

Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 South State Street, Suite 401  
Salt Lake City, UT 84115

May 5, 2025

Dear Judicial Conduct Commission:

This letter was written by me texting my wife from jail on a tablet. She then put it in letter form and signed it with my power of attorney. It is with deep humility and sorrow that I admit the allegations set forth in your letter dated 4/17/25. My actions did not happen in conjunction with my duties as a judge, but they nonetheless showed terrible judgement, impropriety, and brought my judicial office into disrepute. For this I will be forever sorry and ashamed. I have not entered a guilty plea to any charges in court and am therefore being somewhat generic in my admission. I have violated the trust of the public and my family. I have suffered terribly (because of my own doing) these last nine weeks in jail, but am grateful for the opportunity to change my life. As much as I have suffered, my family has suffered even more.

I have broken their hearts and will spend the rest of my life trying to make amends and regain their trust. Knowing the hurt I have caused them makes me cry every day (I'm crying as I write this) as I try to comprehend how I could have done these things knowing it would hurt the people I care about the most. I spent almost 29 years serving the public as a judge and making a difference in people's lives. I feel I have done a lot of good, but recognize that I will be remembered for the things I have done wrong. I am not sure what my future holds, but I know it will entail paying my debt to society, getting the help, and counseling I need, and striving to make things right with God and my family as much as they will let me. Maybe one day down the road I will be able to stand in front of people, maybe even at a judicial conference, to tell my story and how I fell into such darkness. Maybe by sharing my experience, I can help someone turn their life around before it is too late and they get to the point where I was. I still want to do good things in the community and make a difference. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to respond to your letter. I hope my admission is adequate for you to move to the next step in the process. Again, I am sorry for what I have done.

Humbly and sincerely,

*Kevin Christensen - POA*

Kevin Christensen



Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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May 20, 2025

Hon. Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Hon. Christensen:

On 12 May 2025, I received your timely letter of 5 May 2025 in response to the Judicial Conduct Commission's notification to you of a Full Investigation. I will provide a copy of that letter to the Commission at their next meeting on 3 June 2025.

I know you are dealing with many issues and as expressed in your letter desire to move forward in the Commission's process. Accordingly, I will recommend the Commission move to the next stage of issuing Formal Charges. The Commission may also agree to authorize a stipulated settlement based on an agreed disposition. I will recommend a disposition of Public Censure (neither Removal or Suspension is available as you have already resigned your position as a Judge) with an agreement to not seek judicial office again.

If the Commission issues Formal Charges, the Formal Charges will be forwarded to you along with any authorized proposed stipulated settlement with an opportunity for you to comment. If the Commission takes any other action in your matter, I will notify you via your designated representative at the address you have provided. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,  
  
A.G. Peterson  
Executive Director

Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 South State Street, Suit 401  
Salt lake City, Ut 84115

May 26,2025

Dear Judicial Conduct Commission:

Thank you for your letter dated May 20,2025.

I just wanted to let you know that when everything is formalized by the commission on June 03,2025, I will be willing to admit to the charge/s and stipulate to a public censure and never serving as a judge again.

I look forward to a letter, after your June 03,2025 meeting, formalizing the next step in the process.

Sincerely,

Kevin Christensen





Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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June 17, 2025

Hon. Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Hon. Christensen:

On 3 June 2025, I received your timely letter of 26 May 2025 in response to the Judicial Conduct Commission's letter of 20 May 2025 proposing Formal Charges and a stipulated settlement of Public Censure and agreement to never seek judicial office again. Regretfully, your letter of 26 May arrived after the Commission ended their meeting. Nevertheless, I provided the proposal to the Commission at their meeting on 3 June 2025. The same proposal that your letter of 26 May agreed to.

After discussion, the Commission authorized me to draft Formal Charges, to draft a Stipulation in support of those charges, and to provide copies of these to you before the Commission considered them for approval. Accordingly, I am providing you a copy of those drafts and request your review and comment. I will provide these drafts to the Commission at the 1 July meeting requesting the Commission to review and approve the Formal Charges and Stipulation.

If the Commission takes any other action in your matter, I will notify you via your designated representative at the address you have provided. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,



A.G. Peterson  
Executive Director

Judicial Conduct Commission

1385 South State Street, Suite 401

Salt lake City, Ut 84115

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Dear Judicial Conduct Commission:

Thank you for your letter dated June 17, 2025

Dear Judicial Conduct Commission: I received your most recent letter on 6/20/25 (that is when my wife received it at our home). This does not give me twenty days to respond by your 7/1 meeting, but that doesn't really matter. My next court date is 7/3/25. At that time, my case should have some finality. There is a possibility the charges against me could be dismissed.

That of course would cause a significant change to the scenario of my case before the Commission.

I am therefore asking that my case be tabled for a month until your August meeting. I will immediately notify the Commission as to the outcome of my 7/3 hearing. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely, Kevin Christensen\

*Kevin Christensen POA*



Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

1385 S. State Street, Suite 401  
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July 10, 2025

Hon. Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Hon. Christensen:

I received your undated postmarked letter of 25 June 2025 in response to the Judicial Conduct Commission's letter of 17 June 2025. It was provided to the Commissioners at their 1 July 2025 meeting. Per your request to postpone any action on your matter until after your 3 July 2025 hearing, the Commission tabled this matter pending further developments in your case.

The Commission's next meetings are scheduled for 5 August and then 2 September 2025. I see that a disposition hearing has been set for your case on 21 August 2025. Accordingly, your matter will remain tabled until after that disposition hearing.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,



A.G. Peterson  
Executive Director

State of Utah

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Judicial Conduct Commission

1385 S State Street, Suite 401

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

August 25, 2025

Dear Judicial Conduct Commission:

The purpose of this letter is to give a quick update on my case and to again ask for more time. I had court on 8/21/2025 but unfortunately no real progress was made. The prosecution has provided additional discovery and I'm still hoping my case will be dismissed. My next court date is 10/2/2025. I don't feel comfortable admitting anything to the Judicial Conduct Commission until there is a guilty plea or finding of guilt in my case.

As I stated the charges could be dismissed. I am hoping the Commission is in no great hurry and continue to table my case until there is a disposition of my case in the District Court.

I appreciate your patience in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kevin Christensen



Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

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September 2, 2025

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Kevin Christensen:

I received your letter of 25 August 2025 providing an update on your case and requesting that the Judicial Conduct Commission ("JCC") table your JCC matter pending additional development in your criminal case. Your request was shared with the Commission. Per your request, the Commission has tabled this matter until October pending further developments in your case.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A.G. Peterson  
Executive Director

Judicial Conduct Commission

1385 South State Street, Suite 401

Salt lake City, Ut 84115

October 3, 2025

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Dear Judicial Conduct Commission

I am still in jail and I am dictating this letter to my wife. Bless her heart! I had a hearing yesterday Oct 2 2025, and my case is now scheduled for oral arguments on two motions on 10/15/25 . I am hoping to .be released that day. The JCC complaint is based on my pending criminal charges. I don't know what to say other than I hope the JCC will continue to be patient as my case moves through the court process. I will continue to keep you updated.

Thank you for your understanding

Sincerely,

Kevin Christensen



Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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October 23, 2025

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Kevin Christensen:

I received your letter of 3 October 2025 and will share it with the Commission.

Please be advised and reminded that the JCC complaint is **not** based on your pending criminal charges. That is a separate, distinct, and collateral process. The JCC complaint is based on the circumstances in the draft JCC formal charges that were previously shared with you. The JCC formal charges may be changed if the evidence warrants.

At this time, your matter remains tabled before the Commission. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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A. G. Peterson  
Executive Director



Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director

# State of Utah

## JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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April 15, 2026

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

re: Hon. Kevin Christensen, Case No. 25-2JC-124

Dear Kevin Christensen:

I note that you recently settled your criminal case by pleading guilty to three 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Felony counts and that your pleas were accepted by Judge Concklin.

Accordingly, I am moving forward to resolving the JCC complaint against you. I'm enclosing a stipulation that supports discipline by consent based on your pleas and your statement in support of your pleas. I have signed it and request your signature. Also enclosed are the JCC Formal Charges. If you sign and return the stipulation, I will move this matter forward to the Utah Supreme Court for disposition. If you choose not to sign the stipulation, I will schedule a Formal Hearing with the JCC to adjudicate the Formal Charges.

You have twenty days to respond.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A. G. Peterson  
Executive Director

Encl: (1) JCC signed stipulation  
(2) Formal Charges ICO 25-2JC-124



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BEFORE THE UTAH JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

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STIPULATION IN SUPPORT OF  
FORMAL CHARGES

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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The Honorable Kevin Christensen ("Kevin Christensen") and Examiner Alex G. Peterson on behalf of the Judicial Conduct Commission hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

1. Kevin Christensen served continuously as the Box Elder County Justice Court Judge since May 1996. For at least calendar years 2009 through 2011, Kevin Christensen also served as the justice court judge for the municipalities of Tremonton, Garland, and Willard.

2. On 21 May 2013, Kevin Christensen was publicly censured by the Utah Supreme Court for receiving an excess salary in 2013 UT 30.

3. In March 2025, Kevin Christensen resigned from his judicial office and is no longer serving in any judicial capacity.

4. On 6 March 2025, Kevin Christensen was arrested for various offense(s) detailed in an Affidavit of Probable Cause by arresting officer, Bryant Lo Re. The various offenses included Enticing a Minor, Dealing in Materials Harmful to Minor, and Attempted Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.

5. On 7 March 2025, Judge Brian Cannell found the following (a) probable cause existed for Kevin Christensen's arrest for those alleged offenses, (b) that the alleged offenses included felonies and domestic violence offenses, (c) that

substantial evidence existed to support the charges, (d) that by clear and convincing evidence Kevin Christensen would constitute a substantial danger to individuals, the community or were likely to flee if released on bail, and (e) that Kevin Christensen was ordered held without bail pending a criminal trial.

6. On 9 April 2026, Kevin Christensen pled guilty to three (3) separate third degree felonies (one count of Enticing a Minor Using the Internet §76-4-401 and two counts of Dealing in Materials Harmful to a Minor §76-10-1206) as supported by his statement in support of guilty plea.

7. Also, on 9 April 2026 Kevin Christensen's pleas were accepted by Judge Catherine Conklin and she entered findings of guilty per those pleas.

8. It is stipulated by the parties that such actions by Kevin Christensen violate the following provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct:

| <b>Case No.</b> | <b>Rule</b> | <b>Canon/Rule Text</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 1.1    | A judge shall comply with the law.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 1.2    | A judge should act at all times in a manner that promotes – shall not undermine – public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and shall avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.                                                                      |
| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 3.1(C) | A judge may engage in extrajudicial activities, except as prohibited by law . . . However, when engaging in extrajudicial activities, a judge shall not:<br><br>(C) participate in activities that would appear to a reasonable person to undermine the judge's independence, integrity, or impartiality; |

9. The parties further stipulated that such actions by Kevin Christensen did not comply with the law, undermined the public confidence in the judiciary, did not avoid impropriety or the appearance of impropriety, and that these extrajudicial activities would appear to a reasonable person to undermine a judge's integrity.

10. The parties stipulate that these actions by Kevin Christensen constitute conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings a judicial office into disrepute, in violation of Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution of Utah and Utah Code Ann. §78A-11-105(1).

11. The Judicial Conduct Commission notes that Removal would be the appropriate sanction. However, given Kevin Christensen's resignation this sanction is not available. A Public Censure remains the most severe sanction available.

12. Accordingly, the Parties stipulate and agree that a Public Censure is the appropriate disposition of this matter and that Kevin Christensen agree to never and will never seek any judicial office again.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.

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Kevin Christensen

  
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Alex G. Peterson, Examiner

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BEFORE THE UTAH JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION

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IN RE:

HON. KEVIN CHRISTENSEN

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FORMAL CHARGES

Case No. 25-2JC-124

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TO THE HONORABLE KEVIN CHRISTENSEN:

1. You are hereby notified that the Judicial Conduct Commission has authorized formal charges regarding specified allegations arising from a Full Investigation Case No. 25-2JC-124, copies of which have previously been provided to you.

2. As regards Case No. 25-2JC-124, it is alleged that you: (a) were arrested for various offense(s) detailed in an Affidavit of Probable Cause by arresting officer, Bryant Lo Re, (b) that based on that Affidavit, on 7 March 2025, Judge Cannell found probable cause existed for your arrest for those alleged offenses, (c) that Judge Cannell found that the alleged offenses included felonies and domestic violence offenses, (d) that Judge Cannell found substantial evidence to support the charges, (e) that Judge Cannell found by clear and convincing evidence you would constitute a substantial danger to individuals, the community or were likely to flee if released on bail, (f) that in his order, Judge Cannell ordered you held without bail pending your criminal trial, (g) that on 9 April 2026 you pled

guilty to three (3) separate third degree felonies (one count of Enticing a Minor Using the Internet §76-4-401 and two counts of Dealing in Materials Harmful to a Minor §76-10-1206) as supported by your statement in support of guilty plea, and (h) that on 9 April 2026 your pleas were accepted by Judge Catherine Conklin and she entered findings of guilty per your pleas.

3. It is alleged that such actions violate the following provisions of the Code of Judicial Conduct:

| <b>Case No.</b> | <b>Rule</b> | <b>Canon/Rule Text</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 1.1    | A judge shall comply with the law.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 1.2    | A judge should act at all times in a manner that promotes – shall not undermine – public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the judiciary and shall avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.                                                                      |
| 25-2JC-124      | Rule 3.1(C) | A judge may engage in extrajudicial activities, except as prohibited by law . . . However, when engaging in extrajudicial activities, a judge shall not:<br><br>(C) participate in activities that would appear to a reasonable person to undermine the judge’s independence, integrity, or impartiality; |

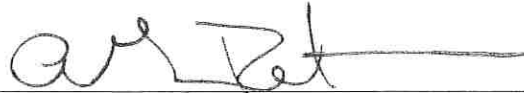
4. It is further alleged that such actions constitute conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings a judicial office into disrepute, in violation

of Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution of Utah and Utah Code Ann. §78A-11-105(1).

5. You may, but are not required to, file a written response to the foregoing charges within 20 days after this document is served upon you.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION:

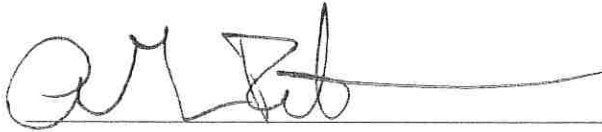
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Alex G. Peterson  
Executive Director  
Judicial Conduct Commission  
1385 South State Street, Suite 401  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Formal Charges on the Honorable Kevin Christensen, by mailing the same via postage prepaid first-class mail addressed to the following:

Kevin Christensen  
324 N. 500 E.  
Brigham City, UT 84302

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Judicial Conduct Commision  
1385 South State Street, Suite 401  
Salt Lake City,Utah 84115

April 19th,2026

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Dear Judicial Conduct Commission:

I am again writing you with help from my wife.

As I now have pleaded guilty to breaking the law. I am hereby formally admitting to the charges as set forth by the JCC and stipulate to the public censure and never serving as a judge again. I hope that this will conclude this matter. I thank you for your patience during this long legal process.

Sincerely,

Kevin Christensen