

(No. 03 CC 1. - Respondent reprimanded.)

In re CIRCUIT JUDGE GREGORY J. HOUSEHOLTER
of the Circuit Court of the Twenty-First Judicial Circuit, Respondent.

Order entered August 25, 2003

SYLLABUS

On February 21, 2003, the Judicial Inquiry Board filed a complaint with the Courts Commission, charging respondent with persistent failure to perform his duties, with conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice and conduct that brings the judicial office into disrepute in violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, Illinois Supreme Court Rules 61 and 63. In summary form, the complaint alleged that since at least 1997, respondent failed to promptly dispose of the business of the court in time-sensitive cases and to diligently discharge his administrative responsibilities.

Held: Respondent reprimanded.

Sidley Austin Brown & Wood, of Chicago, for Judicial Inquiry Board.
Collins & Bargione, of Chicago, for respondent.

Before the COURTS COMMISSION: THOMAS, Chairperson, BURKE, CUETO, FRANKS, FUNDERBURK, and SLATER, commissioners. ALL CONCUR.

ORDER

This cause coming to be heard on the parties' Stipulation of Facts and Joint Recommendation and on respondent, Judge Gregory J. Householter's Memorandum in Support of the Joint Recommendation of Reprimand, which were filed in this matter on July 24, 2003, and the respondent, having agreed to the truth of the facts as stated in the stipulation and having further agreed that he entered into the stipulation and recommendation freely and voluntarily and with full knowledge of the facts and statements contained therein;

and the Illinois Courts Commission being fully advised in the premises;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the Stipulation of Facts, the Joint Recommendation, and Judge Householter's Memorandum in Support of the Joint Recommendation of Reprimand filed in this cause are adopted. It is further ordered that the respondent is reprimanded.

Respondent reprimanded.