

Report to Chief Justice John D. Minton

On this 4th day of December, 2015, the undersigned parties agree as follows:

By Order of December 2, 2015, Chief Justice John Minton ordered Judge Olu Stevens and Commonwealth's Attorney Tom Wine to attend a mediation. Over the course of a meeting over several hours, and with the assistance of those individuals tasked with mediating, Mr. Wine and Judge Stevens reached this agreement.

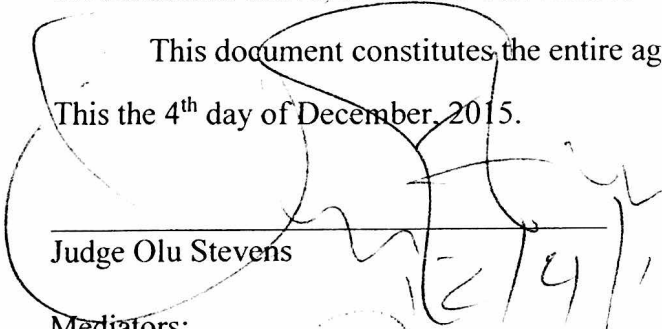
The Commission on Racial Fairness in the Courts was formed in 2001. Both parties are members of the Commission and have worked on issues relating to jury service by members of the African American community in Louisville for many years. During the course of its work over more than a decade, the Commission found evidence of systemic bias and disparities in regard to bail determinations, jury selection and sentencing. The Commission has taken some steps to address these issues. The parties agree that while some progress has been made, they recognize that there is much work to do on these issues.

The parties now have a better understanding that their words and actions can, to others, give the perception of a bias or prejudice that the individual may not intend to convey. Both parties acknowledge that neither is a racist. Judge Stevens recognizes that such perceptions may well have attached to certain statements he made concerning the Commonwealth's Attorney. Judge Stevens desires to clarify that his social media statements were not intended to personally criticize Mr. Wine. Rather they were the result of passionate concerns for the underlying issues and a desire to address the injustices created by racial disparity in the juries of Jefferson County. Specifically, Judge Stevens recognizes that Tom Wine does not want only all white juries. The parties recognize that the process of certification of the law can properly address issues regarding jury selection. The matter of certification is pending before the Supreme Court of Kentucky and will be addressed in that proceeding.

The parties recognize they have certain responsibilities under the Rules of Professional Conduct and the Code of Judicial Conduct. The parties recognize and agree that issues concerning the parties should no longer be addressed by posts or comments on social media. Based on this understanding and the statements above, Mr. Wine will withdraw his KRS 26A.020 Request for Disqualification.

This document constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.

This the 4th day of December, 2015.

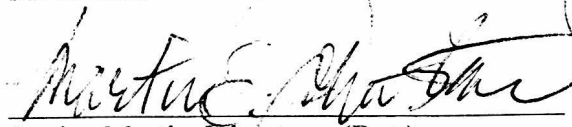


Judge Olu Stevens



Hon. Tom Wine

Mediators:



Justice Martin Johnstone (Ret.)



Mr. Raoul Cunningham



Hon. J. Michael Brown



Judge Steve Mershon (Ret.)