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## **PUBLIC REPRIMAND ISSUED TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGE ROBERT F. BERGER**

The Minnesota Board on Judicial Standards, after personal notification by St. Louis County District Judge Robert F. Berger of a possible violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct, has imposed a public reprimand on the Judge. The discipline was issued to the Judge as a result of his inappropriate conduct towards a juvenile during a court proceeding held at the courthouse in Virginia, Minnesota. Because the proceeding involved a juvenile, greater detail concerning the event remains confidential.

The Judge's conduct violated Canon 3A(4) of the Code of Judicial Conduct which provides:

### **Canon 3A(4)**

"A judge shall be patient, dignified and courteous to litigants, . . . others dealt with in an official capacity, . . . "