Hi Bob,

Thanks for your email regarding the retention hearing for Magistrate Joseph Lorman.

I've had the experience working with Magistrate Lorman while he was the Attorney for the Office of Child Support and since his appointment as Magistrate.

My observations are that he is well versed in the applicable legal issues that arise, he is even handed as between litigants that are both represented and pro se, and particularly I've appreciated his honest and direct approach to all parties.

I also have appreciated times where he has made less popular decisions when necessary. It is my opinion that sometimes our Judges are reluctant to make hard decisions or hold people accountable, and I've witnessed him do so in circumstances that the law required it.

Magistrate Lorman also prioritizes parties reaching agreements and encourages litigants who are trying to and/or have, been able to resolve their issues fairly for their children. We all appreciate the increased chances of success long term when parties are able reach their own terms.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to share my thoughts. I Support the retention of Magistrate Lorman.

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