PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLA

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF PITTSBURG COUNT
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

THE BOARD OF COUNTY)
COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY)
OF PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLAHOMA)
Plaintiff;) 1
v. a harrist france)
CHRISTOPHER MORRIS,)

PITTSBURG COUNTY SHERIFF, Defendant, Case No. CV-2024-89

AGREED ORDER

NOW ON this 2 day of July, 2024, the Plaintiff, appearing by Counsel, District Attorney Jack Thorp, and the Defendant, appearing by Counsel Jeremy Beaver, herein submit to the Court the following Agreed Order for resolution of the above-referenced removal action.

The Parties jointly agree to the following terms:

- 1. The Court's Order of Suspension entered June 6, 2024 shall remain in effect until the last day of the Defendant's current term of office or January 2, 2025, whichever is later.
- 2. The Defendant will resign from office the last day of his current term of office or January 2, 2025, whichever is later, and agrees not to be sworn in or otherwise take office as Pittsburg County Sheriff for the four-year term beginning January 2, 2025 for which he was just elected.
- 3. These agreed terms by the Parties make it unnecessary to continue litigating this removal action, and both Parties agree that a dismissal of this action will be forthcoming upon the Defendant's resignation as stated above.
- 4. The Defendant hereby waives his right to a jury trial in this matter in lieu of this agreement.

WHEREUPON, the Court, having reviewed the above terms submitted by the Parties, orders as follows, to-wit:

- 1. It is hereby ordered that CHRISTOPHER MORRIS, Sheriff of Pittsburg County.

 Oklahoma, remain SUSPENDED from the functions of his office until the last day of his term or January 2, 2025, whichever is later.
- It is further ordered that this Court will retain jurisdiction over this removal proceeding until the terms of the Parties' Settlement Agreement are complied with on the term dates referenced above.
- 3. The Defendant's waiver of jury trial is accepted and approved.
- 4. Each party shall be responsible for their own attorney fees and costs.
- 5. This Order shall not be construed as an admission of any wrongdoing by the Defendant but is understood to be a compromised agreement to settle these matters in full.
- 6. The Court finds that the Defendant has knowingly and voluntarily entered into this settlement agreement of his own free will without coercion or compulsion of any kind.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 12 day of July, 2024.

Judge of the District Court

Agreed and approved as to form and content:

Eric Jordan, OBA #16924 Counsel for Plaintiff

Jeremy Beaver, OBA #19645 Counsel for Defendant

AFFIDAVIT OF DEFENDANT

I, Chrisopher Morris, sworn and under oath, have been advised of my rights to a jury trial in this matter and the nature and consequences of such a trial. Having been so advised, I hereby waive my right to a jury trial in this matter as a condition of this agreement. I have read the terms of this settlement agreement and I affirmatively agree to be bound by its terms. I do so knowingly and voluntarily, free of compulsion or coercion of any kind.

Christopher Morris, Affiant

On this 12th day of July, 2024; the above Affiant Christopher Morris, known to me personally, appeared and executed the above signature in my presence in Pittsburg County, State of Oklahoma.

Public North Nancy Scott

My Commission expires on:

NANCY L SCOTT Notary Public, State of Okiahoms Commission # 19010974 My Commission Expires 10-30-2027