

NO. 18-02-02463

JUN 19 2018

IN THE INTEREST OF

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
BARBARA GLADDEN ADAMICK  
District Clerk  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS  
By [Signature] Deputy

LUCY G. CHRISTMAS,

418TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

A CHILD

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

**ORDER ON PETITIONER'S FIRST AMENDED MOTION FOR RULE 13 SANCTIONS  
AND ON RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR SANCTIONS**

On June 14, 2018, the Court heard Petitioner's First Amended Motion for Rule 13 Sanctions, and Respondent's Motion for Sanctions. A record was made by the Court's official court reporter.

Petitioner, ROBERT ANDREW CHRISTMAS, appeared in person and through his attorney, Mary E. Van Orman.

Respondent, SYDNEY HEREFORD, appeared in person and through her attorney of record, Katherine Bihm.

The Court, after considering the motions, the evidence presented, and the arguments of counsel finds that (1) Petitioner's First Amended Motion for Rule 13 Sanctions should be DENIED, and (2) Respondent's Motion for Sanctions should be GRANTED in part and DENIED in part.

The Court finds that Mary E. Van Orman engaged in unprofessional conduct for which she should be sanctioned. As such, IT IS ORDERED that Mary E. Van Orman shall:

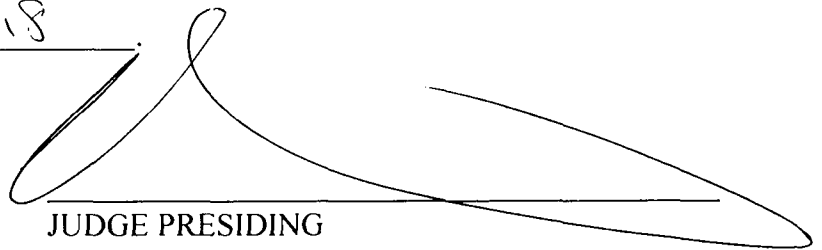
1. Write a letter of apology to Katherine Bihm, detailing and acknowledging any and all actions and/or inactions of unprofessional conduct, with a copy of said letter to be filed in this cause no later than 5:00 p.m. (C.S.T.) on June 29, 2018;

2. Complete the online CLE course, "The Power of Professionalism as a Strategy for Effective Advocacy" by Kevin Dubose, December 13, 2016, at [www.texasbarcle.com](http://www.texasbarcle.com), with Ms. Van Orman being responsible for the costs associated with such class, with proof of completion to be filed in this cause no later than 5:00 p.m. (C.S.T.) on August 31, 2018; and

3. Pay the sum of \$1,500.00 to Katherine Bihm at 204 W. Davis Street, Conroe, Texas 77304, no later than 5:00 p.m. (C.S.T.) on June 29, 2018.

All other relief requested by either party and not granted herein is DENIED.

SIGNED on June 19, 2018



JUDGE PRESIDING