

**IN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER A-2012-024
(Supersedes Administrative Orders A-2011-053 and A-2012-010)**

JUDICIAL ASSIGNMENTS

The Honorable Jennifer X. Gabbard was recently appointed by Governor Scott as a Hillsborough County Court Judge. Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(4) empowers the chief judge to assign judges to the courts and divisions and to determine the length of each assignment. Rule 2.215(b)(5) authorizes the chief judge to designate administrative judges of any division to assist with the administrative supervision of the division. Rule 2.215(b)(2) provides that the chief judge may enter and sign administrative orders. By the power vested in the chief judge under article V, section 2(d), Florida Constitution; section 43.26, Florida Statutes; and the above-referenced rules of judicial administration, it is therefore **ORDERED**:

CIRCUIT COURT

General Civil Division

Sam D. Pendino is assigned to General Civil Division "A."

Robert A. Foster, Jr. is assigned to General Civil Division "B."

James M. Barton, II is assigned to General Civil Division "C."

D. Michelle Sisco is assigned to General Civil Division "D."

Charles Ed Bergmann is assigned to General Civil Division "F."

Mark R. Wolfe is assigned to General Civil Division "G."

Bernard C. Silver is assigned to General Civil Division "H."

Christopher C. Sabella is assigned to General Civil Division "I."

James D. Arnold is assigned to General Civil Division "J."

William P. Levens is assigned to General Civil Division "K."

Herbert J. Baumann, Jr. is assigned to General Civil Division "L." (Complex Business Litigation Division).

Chet A. Tharpe is assigned to General Civil Division "T." (Jimmy Ryce Act Division).

James M. Barton, II is assigned to General Civil Division “Y” (Tobacco Division).

Manuel Menendez, Jr. is assigned to General Civil Division “Z” (Asbestos Litigation).

Probate, Guardianship & Trust Division

Claudia R. Isom is assigned to Probate, Guardianship and Trust Division “A.”

East Division

Thomas P. Barber is assigned to East Circuit Division “R.”

Christine K. Vogel is assigned to East Circuit Division “S.”

Criminal Justice Division

Lisa D. Campbell is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “A.”

Scott Stephens is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “B.”

Samantha L. Ward is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “C.”

Ashley B. Moody is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “D.”

Gregory P. Holder is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “E.”

Kimberly K. Fernandez is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “F.”

Ronald N. Ficarrota is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “G.”

Chet A. Tharpe is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “H” (Sex and Child Abuse Offenses Division).

Martha J. Cook is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “I.”

Susan Sexton is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “J” (Post-Conviction Relief Division).

Daniel L. Perry is assigned to Criminal Justice Division “K” (Violation of Probation Division).

Debra K. Behnke is assigned to Criminal Justice Trial Division “1.”

William Fuente is assigned to Criminal Justice Trial Division “2.”

E. Lamar Battles is assigned to Criminal Justice Trial Division “3.”

Drug Court Division

Jack Espinosa, Jr. is assigned to PTI Drug Court Division "W."

Denise A. Pomponio is assigned to Drug Court Division "Y."

Jack Espinosa, Jr. is assigned to Drug Court Division "Z" (Marchman Act Division).

First Appearance / Emergency Division

Walter R. Heinrich is assigned to First Appearance / Emergency Division "O."

UNIFIED FAMILY COURT

Domestic Relations / Family Law Division

Cheryl K. Thomas is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "A."

Paul L. Huey is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "B."

Catherine M. Catlin is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "C."

Daniel H. Sleet is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "D."

Nick Nazaretian is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "E."

Richard A. Nielsen is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "F."

Caroline J. Tesche is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "I."

Herbert M. Berkowitz is assigned to Domestic Relations / Family Law Division "Y" (Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement Division).

Domestic Violence

Lawrence M. Lefler is assigned to Domestic Violence Division "G."

Scott A. Farr is assigned to Domestic Violence Division "H."

Juvenile Delinquency Division

Elizabeth G. Rice is assigned to Juvenile Delinquency Division "A."

Tracy Sheehan is assigned to Juvenile Delinquency Division "B."

Rex M. Barbas is assigned to Juvenile Delinquency Division "F."

Ralph C. Stoddard is assigned to Juvenile Delinquency Division "M" (Delinquency Crossover Division).

Juvenile Drug Court Division

Denise A. Pomponio is assigned to Juvenile Drug Court Division “E.”

Juvenile Dependency Division

Manuel A. Lopez is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “C.”

Emily A. Peacock is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “D.”

Ralph C. Stoddard is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “T” (Independent Living Transition Services Division).

Jack Espinosa, Jr. is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “J” (Dependency Drug Court Division).

Vivian T. Corvo is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “S.”

Ralph C. Stoddard is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “M” (Dependency Crossover Division).

Katherine G. Essrig is assigned to Juvenile Dependency Division “V” (Dependency Specialty Division).

COUNTY COURT

County Criminal Division

James V. Dominguez is assigned to County Criminal Division “A.”

Eric R. Myers is assigned to County Criminal Division “B.”

John N. Conrad is assigned to County Criminal Division “C.”

Dick Greco, Jr. is assigned to County Criminal Division “D.”

Richard A. Weis is assigned to County Criminal Division “E.”

Matthew C. Lucas is assigned to County Criminal Domestic Violence Division “F.”

Paul T. Jeske is assigned to County Criminal Division “G.”

First Appearance Division

Walter R. Heinrich is assigned to First Appearance Division “O.”

County Civil Division

Margaret T. Courtney is assigned to County Civil Division “H.”

Joelle Ann Ober is assigned to County Civil Division “I.”

Gaston J. Fernandez is assigned to County Civil Division “J.”

Scott A. Farr is assigned to County Civil Division “K.”

Jennifer X. Gabbard is assigned to County Civil Division “L.”

Herbert M. Berkowitz is assigned to County Civil Division “M.”

Jennifer X. Gabbard is assigned to County Civil Division “K” (Civil Traffic Infractions).

Lawrence M. Lefler is assigned to County Civil Division “N” (Civil Traffic Infractions).

Matthew C. Lucas is assigned to County Civil Division “T” (Non-Criminal Non-Traffic Infractions).

East Division

Art McNeil is assigned to East County Division “P.”

Christine K. Vogel is assigned to East County Division “Q.”

Administrative Judges

Herbert J. Baumann, Jr. is designated as administrative judge of the General Civil Division.

Claudia R. Isom is designated as administrative judge of the Probate, Guardianship & Trust Division.

Thomas P. Barber is designated as administrative judge of the East Circuit Division.

Ronald N. Ficarrotta is designated as administrative judge of the Criminal Justice Division.

Ronald N. Ficarrotta is designated as associate administrative judge of the Criminal Justice Division (standard divisions).

Daniel L. Perry is designated as associate administrative judge of the Criminal Justice Division (specialized divisions).

Jack Espinosa, Jr. is designated as associate administrative judge of all drug court divisions (Criminal Justice & Unified Family Court: Juvenile and Dependency).

Katherine G. Essrig is designated as the administrative judge of the Unified Family Court.

Catherine M. Catlin is designated as associate administrative judge of the Domestic Relations / Family Law & Domestic Violence Divisions.

Ralph C. Stoddard is designated as associate administrative judge of the Juvenile Delinquency Division.

Katherine G. Essrig is designated as associate administrative judge of the Juvenile Dependency Division.

James V. Dominguez is designated as administrative judge of the County Criminal Division.

Walter R. Heinrich is designated as administrative judge of the First Appearance Division.

Gaston J. Fernandez is designated as administrative judge of the County Civil Division.

Christine K. Vogel is designated as administrative judge of the East County Division.

Acting Circuit Judges & Acting County Judges

All county court judges assigned to circuit court divisions are temporarily appointed as acting circuit court judges. All circuit court judges assigned to county court divisions are temporarily appointed as acting county court judges.

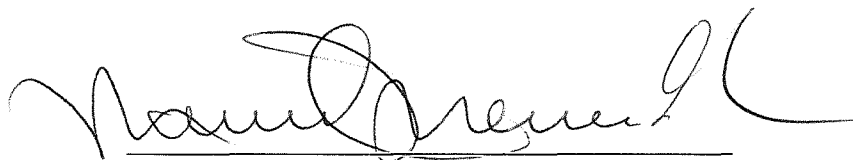
Previous Administrative Orders Superseded

This administrative order supersedes Administrative Orders A-2011-053 (*Judicial Assignments*) and A-2012-010 (*Judicial Assignments – Tobacco Division*).

Effective Date

The foregoing assignments are effective June 25, 2012.

It is ORDERED in Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida, on this 24th day of April, 2012.



Manuel Menendez, Jr., Chief Judge

Original to: Pat Frank, Clerk of the Circuit Court
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