

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER S-2024-007**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF CIRCUIT CIVIL TRIAL DIVISION 2**

It is necessary for the proper administration of justice within this circuit to establish another subdivision within the Circuit Civil Division to assist with conducting trials. By the power vested in the chief judge under article V, section 2(d), Florida Constitution; section 43.26, Florida Statutes; and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(2), it is ORDERED:

**1. Circuit Civil Trial Division 2**

Circuit Civil Trial Division 2 is hereby established as a subdivision of the Circuit Civil Division to assist with conducting trials.

**2. Civil Trial Weeks**

The judge assigned to Circuit Civil Trial Division 2 will notify the administrative judge of the Circuit Civil Division of those weeks that the judge is able to assist in conducting civil trials. Attorneys having a trial set by order of any judge of any Circuit Civil Division for any given week must be prepared to proceed to trial before any judge who may be assigned to preside over such trial at any time during the week.

**3. Effective Date**

Circuit Civil Trial Division 2 is hereby established immediately for preparation and setup purposes. The first day of operation for Circuit Civil Trial Division 2 is March 1, 2024. The appointment of a circuit judge to Circuit Civil Trial Division 2 will be made in a subsequent administrative order.

ENTERED on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

  
Christopher C. Sabella, Chief Judge

Original: Cindy Stuart, Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Copy: Circuit Civil Division Judges