IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA

STANDING ORDER REGARDING COURTROOM DECORUM IN VIRTUAL APPEARANCES

JUDGE CHRISTOPHER E. BROWN

ORDER ON VIRTUAL COURT APPEARANCES

All individuals appearing virtually for Court before Judge Christopher E. Brown, whether Parties – including *pro se* (self-represented), attorneys, witness, or friends/family of a Party, are hereby Ordered to:

- 1. Exhibit appropriate Courtroom decorum.
- 2. Refrain from driving or operating a vehicle or heavy machinery or otherwise being engaged in any distracting task.
- 3. Ensure their name appears correctly on the screen when joining the hearing. A participant may have to "rename" themselves to reflect their actual name (instead of a telephone number).
- 4. Use appropriate backgrounds and appropriate profile photos when video is turned off.
- 5. Maintain their microphone on mute when their case is not being addressed.
- 6. Refrain from sending direct messages to the judge on the virtual chat.
- 7. Abide by any other directives given by the Judge or Court personnel.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida, on this $1^{\rm st}$ day of January, 2025.

Christopher E. Brown County Court Judge