

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

Administrative Order No. 2025-01-Gen (Amendment 3)
**ASSIGNING JUDGES, GENERAL MAGISTRATES
AND HEARING OFFICERS**

(a) Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(3) states the Chief Judge “ensures the efficient and proper administration of all courts within [this] circuit considering available resources.”

(b) Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration Rule 2.215(b)(4) authorizes the Chief Judge to assign judges to courts and divisions.

(c) In accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge by Florida Rule General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215, the following shall govern the assignment of judges, general magistrates, and hearing officers, it is hereby **ORDERED effective immediately, unless otherwise noted:**

(1) The Clerk of the Courts shall maintain the division designations set forth in this Administrative Order.

(2) The Clerk of the Courts shall continue to randomly assign cases to the divisions as set forth in administrative orders with regard to the percentage or method of assigning cases to a division.

(3) The Circuit Civil Division judicial assignments are:

Division	Judge
02	John B. Bowman
03	Daniel A. Casey
04	William W. Haury, Jr.
05	Martin J. Bidwill
07	David A. Haimes ¹
08	David A. Haimes ²

¹ All cases seeking the interstate extradition of witnesses pursuant to Chapter 942, Florida Statutes shall be assigned to Judge David A. Haimes until further order of the Court.

² Judge David A. Haimes will remain in Division 08 until June 23, 2025

09	Jeffrey R. Levenson
11	Mark A. Speiser (Senior Judge) ³
12	Keathan B. Frink ⁴
13	Michael A. Robinson
14	N. Hunter Davis
18	Fabienne E. Fahnestock
21	Michele Towbin Singer
22	Mark A. Speiser (Senior Judge) ⁵
24	Michael Davis
25	Shari Africk-Olefson
26	Carol-Lisa Phillips
27	Martin J. Bidwill

(4) The Circuit Criminal Division judicial assignments are:

Division	Judge
FA	Michael Lynch
FB	Lorena V. Mastrarrigo
FC	Peter Holden
FD	Barbara R. Duffy
FE	Edward H. Merrigan, Jr.
FF	Ernest A. Kollra, Jr.
FG	Michael I. Rothschild
FH	Tim Bailey
FI	Frank Ledee
FJ	George Odom, Jr.
FK	Thomas J. Coleman
FN (Drug Court)	Michael Davis
FO	Francis Viamontes
FP	Marina Garcia-Wood
FZ (Mental Health Court)	Ari Abraham Porth
FT	Martin S. Fein
FW	Bernard I. Bober
FX	Michael A. Usan
FY	Andrew L. Siegel

³ Effective May 19, 2025

⁴ Judge Keathan B. Frink will serve as the back-up judge for Judge Haimen for cases seeking the interstate extradition of witnesses pursuant to Chapter 942, Florida Statutes.

⁵ Effective May 19, 2025

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Edward H. Merrigan, Jr.

(5) The Probate Division judicial assignments are:

Division	Judge
60 J	Nicholas Lopane
61 J	Natasha DePrimo
62 J	Kenneth Gillespie

(6) The Unified Family Court Division judicial assignments are:

(A) Delinquency Judges

Division	Judge
JA	<i>Elijah H. Williams</i>
JB	Stacy Ross
JC	Michael J. Orlando
JD	Carlos S. Rebollo
JE (Drug Court)	Hope Tieman Bristol
JF	Hope Tieman Bristol
JG	Hope Tieman Bristol
JH	Stacey Schulman
JJ	Alberto Ribas, Jr.
JK	Jose Izquierdo
JL	Yael Gamm

(B) Dependency Judges

Division	Judge
JM/30	<i>Stacey Schulman</i>
JO/32	Alberto Ribas, Jr.
JQ/34	Jose Izquierdo
JS/39	Hope Tieman Bristol
JT/46	Yael Gamm

(C) Domestic Violence Judges

Division	Judge
45	Kevin P. Tynan ⁶
FV/57	Susan L. Alspector
59/57	<i>Michael G. Kaplan</i>

⁶ Judge Kevin P. Tynan will be assigned all Risk Protection Orders. The DV back up duty Judge will be assigned the responsibility of RPOs in the event Judge Tynan is unavailable.

(D) Family Judges

Division

Judge

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Hope Tieman Bristol

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Johnathan D. Lott

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Lauren M. Alperstein

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Jessica Marra

37

Kristin R. Kanner

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Catalina Avalos

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Elaine A. Carbuccia

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Carlos Augusto Rodriguez

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Christopher Wigand

(7) The County Civil Division judicial assignments are:

Division

Judge

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Michele McCaul Ricca

Jennifer Wigand Hilal

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Nina W. Di Pietro

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Mardi Levey Cohen

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Kathleen McHugh

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Kathleen McCarthy

52/53

Giuseppina Miranda

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Florence Taylor Barner

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Daniel J. Kanner

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Betsy Benson

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Allison Gilman

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Corey Amanda Cawthon

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Woody Clermont

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Kim Theresa Mollica

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Kathleen Angione

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John Hurley

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Stephen P. DeLuca

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John D. Fry

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Olga Levine

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Tabitha B. Eves

82	Lauren Peffer
83	Ellen Feld
100	Jackie Powell

(7) The County Criminal Division judicial assignments are:

Division	Judge
MA	Melinda Brown
MD	Phoebee Francois ⁷
MI	John D. Fry
MJ	Kal Evans
MM	<i>Deborah Carpenter-Toye</i>
MP	Jill K. Levy
MQ	Kenneth A. Gottlieb
MS	Ginger Lerner-Wren
MW	John D. Fry
MV	Chris Brown
NA	Kathleen Angione
NB	John Hurley
NC	Kim Theresa Mollica
ND	<i>Steven P. DeLuca</i>
SA	Allison Gilman
SB	Woody Clermont
SC	Corey Amanda Cawthon
WA	Ellen Feld
WB	Olga Levine
WC	Lauren Peffer
WE	Tabitha B. Eves
ZD	Michael Davis
MVC	Edward H. Merrigan, Jr.
MXD	Chris Brown
CMF/CMH/CMP (Community Court)	Florence Taylor Barner

(8) The first appearance judicial assignment is:

Division MN	Corey Friedman
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(9) The hearing officer and general magistrate assignments are:

Division	General Magistrate/Hearing Officer
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⁷ All Truancy cases, and Extradition cases under Chapter 941, Florida Statutes, shall be assigned to Division MD until further order of the court.

68	Yves P. Laventure
69	Caleb S. Johnston
90	Allana Robinson Woods
91	Annette J. Szorosy
93	Stephanie Matalon
DOR 94	Michael Sullivan (hearing officer)
DOR 95	Rebecca Frieden
DOR 96	Matthew Tannenbaum (hearing officer)
98	Hilary Creary
99	Linda Ivelisse Gonzalez
ZM	<i>Lucy Ramos Miller</i>
GMW	<i>Lucy Ramos Miller</i>
GMX	Vicki L. Plant
GMY	<i>Lucy Ramos Miller</i>
GMZ	Vicki L. Plant

A bolded name is an Administrative Judge for a division. An italicized name is a chairperson for a division.

This Administrative Order vacates and supersedes Administrative Order 2025-01-Gen (Amendment 2).

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida this 30th day of May, 2025.

/s/ Carol-Lisa Phillips
Carol-Lisa Phillips, Chief Judge