

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

Administrative Order No. 2026-24-Temp

**TEMPORARILY APPOINTING CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES TO COUNTY
COURT AND COUNTY COURT JUDGES TO CIRCUIT COURT FOR
THE FIRST QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027**

(a) Pursuant to Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution and section 43.26, Florida Statutes, the chief judge of each judicial circuit is charged with the authority and power to do everything necessary to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice.

(b) 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.”

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

(d) In accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge pursuant to Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution, section 43.26, Florida Statutes, and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215, it is hereby **ORDERED, effective July 1, 2026:**

(1) The following Circuit Court Judges are appointed to temporary County Court duties for the period of time from July 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026.

Pascale Achille
Shari Africk-Olefson
Lauren M. Alperstein
Susan L. Alspector
Catalina Avalos
Tim Bailey
Martin Bidwill
Bernard I. Bober
John B. Bowman
Hope Tieman Bristol

Elaine A. Carbuccia
Daniel A. Casey
Thomas J. Coleman
Michael Davis
N. Hunter Davis
Natasha DePrimo
Barbara R. Duffy
Fabienne E. Fahnestock
Martin S. Fein
Keathan B. Frink
Yael Gamm
Marina Garcia-Wood
Kenneth Gillespie
David A. Haimes
James R. Harris
Peter Holden
Jose Izquierdo
Kristin R. Kanner
Michael G. Kaplan
Ernest A. Kollra, Jr.
Frank Ledee
Jeffrey R. Levenson
Nicholas Lopane
Michael Lynch
Jessica M. Marra
Lorena V. Mastrarrigo
Edward H. Merrigan, Jr.
Stefanie C. Moon
George Odom, Jr.
Michael J. Orlando
Carol-Lisa Phillips
Ari Abraham Porth
Alberto Ribas, Jr.
Michael A. Robinson
Carlos Augusto Rodriguez
Stacy Ross
Michael I. Rothschild
Stacey Schulman
Andrew L. Siegel
Michele Towbin Singer

Kevin P. Tynan
Michael A. Usan
Francis Viamontes
Marlon J. Weiss
Elijah H. Williams
Christopher Wigand

(2) The following County Court Judges are appointed to temporary Circuit Court duties for the period of time July 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026.

Kathleen E. Angione
Florence Taylor Barner
Betsy Benson
Chris Brown
Melinda Brown
Deborah Carpenter-Toye
Corey Amanda Cawthon
Woody D. Clermont
Steven P. DeLuca
Nina W. Di Pietro
Kal Evans
Tabitha B. Eves
Ellen Feld
Phoebee Francois
Jeremy I. Franker
Corey B. Friedman
John D. Fry
Allison Gilman
Kenneth A. Gottlieb
Jennifer Wigand Hilal
John Hurley
Daniel J. Kanner
Ginger Lerner-Wren
Olga Levine
Jill K. Levy
Kathleen McCarthy
Kathleen McHugh
Giuseppina Miranda
Kim Theresa Mollica
Lauren N. Pepper

Jackie Powell
Michele McCaul Ricca

(3) The Judges are assigned to temporary duty for the purpose of hearing and disposing of all matters, including but not limited to pretrial, trial, post-trial, appellate, post-appellate and post-conviction matters, which may be presented for a judicial determination during the period as set forth herein.

(4) The Circuit Court Judges shall have all the power and jurisdiction of a County Court Judge during said period.

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DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 26th day of June, 2026.

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