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Governor Elevates Judge to Circuit Court Days Before Investiture for County Court

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL – Governor Ron DeSantis announced on Wednesday the elevation of Judge Jeremy I. Franker from County to Circuit Court, marking the first time a judge in the 17th Judicial Circuit has been elevated to another court before the investiture for the first judicial appointment. Gov. DeSantis appointed Judge Franker to County Court on Feb. 25th.

“It is my pleasure to appoint you to the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court. Your appointment is evidence of my utmost confidence in your ability to serve with excellence and distinction,” Gov. DeSantis wrote in an August 19th letter to Judge Franker.

The news meant plans for Judge Franker’s Aug. 28th formal robing ceremony for County Court had to quickly be revised to also include an investiture for Circuit Court. Judge Franker’s double investiture will be at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 28th, at 201 SE Sixth St., courtroom 17150.

Chief Judge Carol Lisa Phillips was delighted with the news.

“Judge Franker will be a fantastic addition to Circuit Court,” Judge Phillips said, noting that his colleagues in the Circuit agree.

Judge Franker said he has truly enjoyed his time in County Court and is looking forward to Circuit Court.

“I am deeply honored and humbled to serve the citizens of Broward County, and I look forward to upholding the principles of justice and fairness in the Circuit Court,” Judge Franker said.

ABOUT THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

The Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida is the court for Broward County, headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, FL. It is the second largest circuit court in the state. Broward County has 90 judges. Of those, 32 are county court judges and 58 are circuit judges. Four courthouses comprise the 17th circuit and include the Broward County Courthouse in Fort Lauderdale, and three satellite courthouses: the North Regional Courthouse in Deerfield Beach, the West Regional Courthouse in Plantation and the South Regional Courthouse in Hollywood.

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