IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER: M-2018-37

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER CONCERNING COUNTY COURT JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS FOR MARION COUNTY

Although the routine determination of judicial assignments in the Fifth Circuit has been delegated to the several administrative judges, the duty to assign judges to courts and divisions and to determine the length of each assignment resides with the chief judge. Effective January 1, 2018, with the approval of the undersigned, Judge Robert Landt, Judge James McCune, Judge Sarah Ritterhoff-Williams, and Judge Tommy Thompson have each been assigned one-fourth of county civil and small claims and one-fourth of misdemeanor criminal and criminal traffic cases in Marion County, Florida, plus specified duties related to problem-solving courts. Circumstances have now arisen which render the current assignment plan untenable.

WHEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED

- 1. Effective immediately and continuing hereafter until modified or rescinded by further order of the chief judge, the assignments of the county judges in Marion County are modified so that no more than three of the four county judges will be assigned to preside over misdemeanor criminal and criminal traffic cases.
- 2. Furthermore, at the request and with the agreement of the Honorable Robert Landt, effective immediately and continuing until modified or rescinded by further order of the chief judge, the assignment of the Honorable Robert Landt is modified so that he will not preside over misdemeanor criminal or criminal traffic cases.
- 3. This order is not intended to affect the assignment or responsibilities of any judge as a duty judge. This order does not limit the ability of the Administrative County Court Judge for Marion County to similarly change the assignments of another county court judge or judges, provided that no more than three of the four county judges will be assigned to preside over misdemeanor criminal and criminal traffic cases as stated above.
- 4. The Administrative County Court Judge for Marion County will determine and make the new specific assignments of the county court judges consistent with the requirements of this order and will submit those to the undersigned for approval.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Marion County, Florida on July 17, 2018.

S. Sue Robbins, Chief Judge