

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: S-2019-40-A

**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER APPOINTING THE HONORABLE PAUL
MILITELLO AS CHAIR AND MR. DON LEVENS AS ALTERNATE MEMBER
AND MR. DOUGLAS THARP AS SUBSTITUTE ALTERNATE OF THE 2019-2020
SUMTER COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD AND APPOINTING MR. BRADLEY
ARNOLD AS ALTERNATE MEMBER FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSION AND
VACATING THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS:
S-2017-60 & S-2018-17-B**

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit has the responsibility, pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 102.141, to appoint a County Court Judge as the Chair of the Sumter County Canvassing Board; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit has the responsibility, pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 102.141, to appoint a member of the Sumter County Canvassing Board should the County Judge be unable to serve; and

WHEREAS, the **HONORABLE PAUL L. MILITELLO**, Sumter County Court Judge, is a qualified elector of the county who is not a candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed and who is not an active participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed;

WHEREAS, **Mr. DON LEVENS** is a qualified elector of the county who is not a candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed and who is not an active participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed;

WHEREAS, **Mr. DOUGLAS THARP** is a qualified elector of the county who is not a candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed and who is not an active participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed;

WHEREAS, **Mr. BRADLEY ARNOLD** is a qualified elector of the county who is not a candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed and who is not an active participant in the campaign or candidacy of any candidate with opposition in the election being canvassed;

It is therefore:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the **HONORABLE PAUL L. MILITELLO**, Sumter County Court Judge is hereby appointed to serve as a member and Chair of the Sumter County Canvassing Board for the 2019-2020 election cycle.

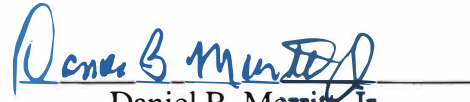
It is FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that MR DON LEVENS, in accordance with Fla. Stat. § 102.141(l)(a), is hereby appointed to serve as an alternate member of the Sumter County Canvassing Board for any and all 2019-2020 elections should County Judge Militello be unable to serve. The members of the Sumter County Canvassing Board shall meet and elect a Chair in accordance with Fla. 102.141 (a) should County Judge Militello be unable to serve.

It is FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that MR DOUGLAS THARP, in accordance with Fla. Stat. § 102.141(l)(a), is hereby appointed to serve as a substitute member of the Sumter County Canvassing Board for any and all 2019-2020 elections should County Judge Militello be unable to serve. The members of the Sumter County Canvassing Board shall meet and elect a Chair in accordance with Fla. 102.141 (a) should County Judge Militello be unable to serve.

It is FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that MR BRADLEY ARNOLD, is hereby appointed to serve as an alternate member of the Sumter County Canvassing Board for any and all 2019-2020 elections should the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners be unable to serve.

**THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS ARE HEREBY VACATED:
S-2017-60 & S-2018-17-B**

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Brooksville, Hernando County, Florida on this 20th day of July 2020.


Daniel B. Merritt, Jr.
Chief Judge
Fifth Judicial Circuit