## IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MARION COUNTY OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER M-2018-04

## **ORDER RE: CERTAIN CASE ASSIGNMENTS**

COMES NOW the undersigned Judge as the Administrative County Court Judge for Marion County and *sua sponte* finding good cause to avoid the appearance of any conflict of interest in the assignment of certain criminal, infraction and civil cases and further finding it appropriate to issue this standing recusal order to promote the confidence of all that this Court is committed to maintain the highest standards of judicial integrity in all cases and in all matters and being duly advised in the premises, it is HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. The Honorable Sarah Ritterhoff Williams, County Court Judge for Marion County, is hereby recused from presiding in any case [hereinafter referred to as "the subject cases"] which is presently assigned to her wherein William Edward Ramputi and/or David Todd Arnold appears as counsel of record and/or is a named party;
- 2. The Clerk of this Court is hereby directed to immediately reassign the subject cases on a rotating basis to one of the other three County Court Judges in Marion County;
- 3. After the entry of this Order, the Clerk of this Court is hereby directed not to assign any case to the Honorable Sarah Ritterhoff Williams wherein William Edward Ramputi and/or David Todd Arnold has before the initial assignment of the case to a judge filed a Notice of Appearance as counsel of record and/or is a named party but instead the Clerk of this Court shall assign those cases on a rotating basis to one of the other three County Court Judges;
- 4. In any case after the entry of this Order wherein William Edward Ramputi and/or David Todd Arnold makes an appearance subsequent to the case being assigned to the Honorable Sarah Ritterhoff Williams, then William Edward Ramputi and/or David Todd Arnold shall immediately file a Notice of Appearance and a Request for Judicial Reassignment referencing this Order upon which filing the Clerk of this Court shall reassign the case on a rotating basis to one of the other three County Court Judges in Marion County;
- 5. In any case after the entry of this Order which is initially assigned to the Honorable Sarah Ritterhoff Williams wherein William Edward Ramputi and/or David Todd Arnold is related by blood or marriage to a named party, then William Edward Ramputi and/or David Todd Arnold shall immediately file a Request for Judicial Reassignment referencing this Order upon which filing the Clerk of this Court shall reassign the case on a rotating basis to one of the other three County Court Judges in Marion County;

- 6. The provisions of this Order shall remain in effect until further ordered by the undersigned;
- 7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Ocala, Marion County, Florida, this  $\int \frac{q}{day} day$  of February, 2018.

De Ma Cure B. James McCune, Jr.

B. James McCune, Jr. Administrative Judge for the Marion County Court

Copies to: Honorable Sarah Ritterhoff Williams William Edward Ramputi David Todd Arnold