

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. C-2020-09**

**IN RE: CASE ASSIGNMENTS OF ANY CASE WHEREIN DOCK A. BLANCHARD,  
LAUREN E. MERRIAM, III, GARRY D. ADEL, R. COLT KIRKLAND, DENNIS A.  
FRIED, EDWIN A. "TRIP" GREEN, III, BRADFORD J. TROPELLO, CINDY HARPER,  
OR THE LAW FIRM OF BLANCHARD, MERRIAM, ADEL & KIRKLAND, P.A. IS  
ATTORNEY OF RECORD**

**THIS CAUSE** came on to be heard before the undersigned Administrative Judge regarding the reassignment of cases involving any and all cases assigned to the Honorable Stacy M. Youmans wherein Dock A. Blanchard, Lauren E. Merriam, III, Garry D. Adel, R. Colt Kirkland, Dennis A. Fried, Edwin A. "Trip" Green, III, Bradford J. Tropello, Cindy Harper, or the Law Firm of Blanchard, Merriam, Adel & Kirkland, P.A. is attorney of record.

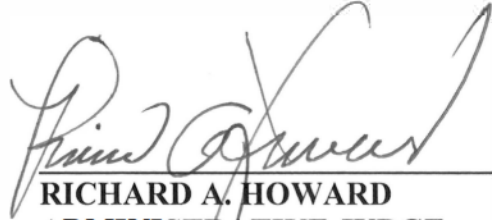
It has been brought to the attention of the undersigned that there is an actual or perceived conflict of interest in the assignment of the above referenced cases and in order to maintain judicial integrity, a recusal/reassignment of any case wherein Dock A. Blanchard, Lauren E. Merriam, III, Garry D. Adel, R. Colt Kirkland, Dennis A. Fried, Edwin A. "Trip" Green, III, Bradford J. Tropello, Cindy Harper, or the Law Firm of Blanchard, Merriam, Adel & Kirkland, P.A. is attorney of record, is appropriate.

It is **THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

1. With her approval and consent, the Honorable Stacy M. Youmans, Circuit Judge, is hereby recused from presiding in any case which may be assigned to her where Dock A. Blanchard, Lauren E. Merriam, III, Garry D. Adel, R. Colt Kirkland, Dennis A. Fried, Edwin A. "Trip" Green, III, Bradford J. Tropello, Cindy Harper, or the Law Firm of Blanchard, Merriam, Adel & Kirkland, P.A. is attorney of record.

2. The Clerk of Court is hereby directed to reassign such cases to the Honorable Peter M. Brigham.
3. The provisions of this Order shall remain in effect until December 30, 2021.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers at Inverness, Citrus County, Florida this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

  
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**RICHARD A. HOWARD**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE**  
**CITRUS COUNTY**