

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

SECOND* AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.: S-2021-40-B

IN RE:

**JUDICIAL ASSIGNMENTS
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022**

This cause having come to the attention of the Court as one which affects the efficient administration of justice within Sumter County, and the Court having the authority to enter administrative orders pertaining to the efficient administration of justice, and the Court being advised, it is

ORDERED as follows:

1. Assignment of Judicial duties among the Circuit Judges of Sumter County shall be as follows:

Judge Jason Nimeth- Veterans/Drug Court, CF arraignments and “rocket dockets”, CJ cases except UFC matters, Civil Jury from filing to start of trial, Civil Non-Jury, and Jimmy Ryce matters.

Judge Michelle Morley - All DR, Civil Jury trials and post-trials, DP, UFC, CP, GA, MH cases (except Risk Protection Orders and Jimmy Ryce cases)

Judge Mary Hatcher – All Criminal Felony (CF) cases subsequent to arraignment, all Risk Protection Orders (RPO), and all Baker/Marchman Act matters.

General Magistrate- Dependency arraignments, judicial reviews and permanency judicial reviews. Name changes, Pro se dissolutions of marriage, paternity and post dissolution/paternity proceedings, simplified dissolutions of marriage and some adoptions. Dependency proceedings as assigned by Judge Michelle Morley.

Child Support Hearing Officer- Department of Revenue Child Support cases and other duties as assigned.

2. This Amended Order shall be effective as April 7, 2022.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Bushnell, Sumter County, Florida, this 7th day of April 2022.



MICHELLE T. MORLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

* Amended this time to clarify the division of responsibility for civil jury trials; to clarify that DR cases include interpersonal violence injunctions.