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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: M-2022-53

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REGARDING JUROR UTILIZATION IN THE CIRCUIT

AND COUNTY COURTS OF MARION COUNTY FOR 2023

THIS CAUSE having come to the attention of the Court as one which affects the efficient

administration of justice within Marion County, Florida, and the Court having the authority to enter

administrative orders pertaining to the efficient administration of justice, and being otherwise fully

advised in the premises; and

WHEREAS, an administrative order has generally been entered on an annual basis to ensure

that juror utilization in Marion County is efficiently managed by a jury pool system, and in

consideration of and pursuant to Sections 40.23 and 40.231, Florida Statutes, it is therefore

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that:

1. Effective January 1, 2023, all jurors reporting for duty in Marion County shall be pooled

and subsequently randomly selected and directed to the various courtrooms for jury

selection. Capital case (cases in which a death sentence may be imposed) shall be included

for the purpose of adding to the venire. Any judge presiding in a capital case shall notify

the Chief Deputy Clerk or his/her designee of the scheduled date of the trial of the case.

Said notification shall be made at least three months prior to the date of the trial.

2. All jury selections shall take place on Monday or the following Tuesday if a Monday falls

on a holiday.

3. The Chief Deputy Clerk or his/her designee shall confer with the Administrative Judge as

necessary and shall approve and cause to be summoned enough prospective jurors to be

examined.

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- 4. The judge designated below for each respective month shall be responsible for juror qualification and the consideration of requests to be excused from jury duty during that month.
- 5. The assignment for service as judge for juror qualification for the year 2023 shall be as follows:

January - The Honorable Robert W. Hodges
February - The Honorable Jennifer Bass
March - The Honorable Lisa Herndon
April - The Honorable Robert E. Landt
May - The Honorable Lori Cotton
June - The Honorable Steven G. Rogers

July - The Honorable Thomas P. Thompson, III

August - The Honorable Anthony M. Tatti
September - The Honorable Gary L. Sanders
October - The Honorable Peter M. Brigham
November - The Honorable R. Gregg Jerald

December - The Honorable Newly Elected County Judge

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers at Ocala, Marion County, Florida this <u>1st</u> day of November 2022.

Robert W. Hodges

Administrative Judge for Marion County