

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER S-2022-61

**RE: ASSIGNMENT OF SENIOR JUDGES TO TEMPORARY DUTY
IN SUMTER COUNTY**

AND

RESCINDING, SUPERSEDING, AND REPLACING S-2022-59

WHEREAS, Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution and section 43.26, Florida Statutes, charges the chief judge with the authority to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice in the courts over which he or she is chief judge; and,

WHEREAS, the Florida Supreme Court, pursuant to Rule 2.215(5) of the Florida Rules of General Practice & Judicial Administration permits the Chief Judge to designate a judge in any court or court division as an Administrative Judge; and,

WHEREAS, the undersigned, the Honorable Michelle T. Morley, has been designated by the Chief Judge as Administrative Judge for Sumter County, pursuant to Rule 2.215(b)(5), Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration; and,

WHEREAS, the Florida Supreme Court, pursuant to Rule 2.215(b)(4) of the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration, authorizes assignment of any judge to temporary service for which the judge is qualified in any county in the same circuit; and,

WHEREAS, the use of senior judges has been proven an effective and efficient use of judicial resources; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Vincent Murphy and the Honorable Lawrence J. Semento have been assigned by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida to serve as Senior Judges on a statewide basis, and said senior judges having consented to temporary assignment as contemplated herein; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and appropriate for the prompt, effective, and efficient administration of justice within the Circuit and County Courts of the Fifth Judicial Circuit; with the advice and consent of the Chief Judge, and to eliminate the need for individualized orders, to avoid undue confusion and uncertainty for the public, litigants and other involved in the court system, this Administrative Order assigns specific senior judges to hear conduct and determine matters of circuit and county court jurisdiction which are presented to them in Sumter County, Florida as the need may arise;

It is **THEREFORE ORDERED** as follows:

1. The following Senior Judges are hereby assigned and designated to-wit:

THE HONORABLE VINCENT MURPHY
THE HONORABLE LAWRENCE J. SEMENTO

are to proceed to the Circuit and County Courts of Sumter County and thereupon, on the **1ST day of January 2023 and thereafter through the 30th day of June 2023**, hear, conduct, try, and determine the cause, or causes, which shall from time to time be presented to one or another of them as temporary Judges of the said Courts, and thereafter dispose of any matters considered by them respectively.

2. The instant order is effective January 1, 2023, at 12:01 a.m. and thereby rescinds, supersedes, and replaces Administrative Order S-2022-59.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers in Bushnell, Sumter County, Florida, this 14th day of December 2022.


MICHELLE T. MORLEY
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE,
SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA