

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.: M-2026-11

**IN RE: ASSIGNMENT OF ANY CASE WHEREIN ANY ATTORNEY FROM THE
DOUGLAS LAW FIRM IS AN ATTORNEY OF RECORD AND/OR THE DOUGLAS
LAW FIRM IS A PARTY**

THIS CAUSE, came on to be heard before the undersigned Administrative Judge, *sua sponte*, regarding the reassignment of all cases assigned to the Honorable Shanae Pickens, Circuit Judge, wherein counsel for any party is associated with The Douglas Law Firm.

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 cases referenced above. In order to maintain judicial integrity, recusal of, and reassignment from, the Honorable Shanae Pickens is appropriate in any case wherein The Douglas Law Firm is counsel of record or party to suit.

It is therefore **ORDERED** as follows:

1. With her approval and consent, the Honorable Shanae Pickens, Circuit Judge, is hereby recused from presiding over any case which has been or may be assigned to her where any party in any action is represented by The Douglas Law Firm.
Likewise, in any case where The Douglas Law Firm is a party.
2. The Clerk of the Court is hereby directed to reassign such cases as follows:
 - a. Probate cases will be assigned at random to the circuit judges presiding over non-juvenile criminal cases.
 - b. Guardianship cases will be assigned at random to the circuit judges presiding over family cases not designated as dependency cases.
3. The provisions of this order shall remain in effect until further ordered by the Marion County Administrative Judge.

DONE and ORDERED in Chambers, Ocala, Marion County, Florida, this 23rd day of
February 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S.G. Rogers', written in a cursive style.

STEVEN G. ROGERS
Administrative Judge
Marion County, Florida