

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.: S-2021-54-A

**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REGARDING
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
(amended to change font and notice)**

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) requires that reasonable accommodations be provided to requesting qualified persons with disabilities in order they might participate fully in court programs, services, activities and benefits; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Fifth Judicial Circuit to facilitate provision of reasonable accommodations when requested by qualified persons with disabilities; and pursuant to Rules 2.215(b)(2) and 2.540(c), Florida Rules of General Practice & Judicial Administration.

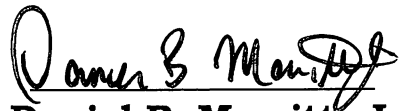
IT IS ORDERED: All notices of court proceedings, whether an order issued by a judge or a notice filed by an attorney or party, and all process compelling appearance, including but not limited to a summons, at court proceedings, must include the following statement in bold face, 14-point Bookman Old Style or Arial font:

"If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the Office of the Trial Court Administrator, Sumter County Courthouse, (352) 569-6952, or email: adasumter@circuit5.org, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711."

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It is FURTHER ORDERED and ADJUDGED that this Order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. July 1, 2026, and shall rescind and replace Administrative Order S-2021-54 at that time.

DONE and ORDERED in Chambers at Brooksville, Hernando, Florida this 12th day of June 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel B. Merritt, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Daniel B. Merritt, Jr.
Chief Judge
Fifth Judicial Circuit