

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATE OF FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No.: A-2012-24-A

**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON SPECIAL APPOINTMENT AS
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT REPRESENTATIVES FOR FAIRNESS AND
DIVERSITY TRAINING**

WHEREAS, the Florida Supreme Court has established a Standing Committee on Fairness and Diversity to help advance the State Courts System's efforts to eliminate from Court operations bias that is based on race, gender, ethnicity, age, disability, financial status, or any characteristic that is without legal relevance; and

WHEREAS, Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order SC06-44 requires the trial courts to develop local court diversity and sensitivity awareness education programs; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Court Education Council established a policy regarding fairness and diversity training that took effect on January 1, 2012. Pursuant to same, any judge not trained as a result of the Florida Supreme Court's Administrative Order SC06-44 and who took the bench prior to March 2012 shall have three years from the end of their current reporting period to complete the required fairness and diversity training. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all judges have fairness and diversity training.

WHEREAS, it has been established that a special need exists in the Fifth Circuit to appoint representatives in this Fifth Circuit to assist the Judiciary and Court Administration personnel with proper and ongoing training and awareness programs in accordance with AOSC06-44.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED:

- I. The Honorable Robert W. Hodges, Circuit Judge is hereby appointed as a Fifth Judicial Circuit Fairness and Diversity Training Representative.
- II. Alina Stoothoff, Court Administration, is hereby appointed as a Fifth Judicial Circuit Fairness and Diversity Training Representative.

IT IS SO DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, in Ocala, Marion County, Florida, on this 17th day of July, 2017.



**S. SUE ROBBINS
CHIEF JUDGE
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**