IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER L-2024-16

IN RE: CASE ASSIGNMENT OF ANY CASE WHEREIN THE LAW FIRM OF M. MEREDITH KIRSTE, P.A. IS AN ATTORNEY OF RECORD AND/OR A NAMED PARTY

THIS CAUSE, came on to be heard before the undersigned Administrative Judge, *sua sponte*, regarding the reassignment of any and all cases assigned to the Honorable Heidi Davis wherein counsel for any party is the Law Firm of M. Meredith Kirste, P.A.

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 immediately above. In order to maintain judicial integrity, recusal of, and reassignment from, the Honorable Heidi Davis is appropriate in any case wherein Law Firm of M. Meredith Kirste, P.A. is counsel of record, or party to suit.

It is THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

- 1. With her approval and consent, the Honorable Heidi Davis, Circuit Judge, is hereby recused from presiding in any case which may be assigned to her where any named party in any action is the Law Firm of M. Meredith Kirste, P.A.
- 2. The Clerk of the Court is hereby directed to reassign such cases at random in accordance with Administrative Order L-2023-32-A or any subsequent amendments thereto.
- Thereafter the Clerk of the Courts shall reassign a similar case type from the docket of the Judge who is receiving the reassigned case to the docket of the Honorable Heidi Davis in an equal assignment.
- 4. The provisions of this Order shall remain in effect until further ordered by the undersigned.

DONE AND ORDRED in Chambers in Tavares, Lake County, Florida, on this 2024.

James R. Baxley Administrative Judge Lake County