

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NO. 2017-13

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND  
FOR ORANGE AND OSCEOLA  
COUNTIES, FLORIDA

**ORDER ESTABLISHING DIVISIONS AND ASSIGNING  
JUDGES TO DIVISIONS IN THE CIRCUIT AND COUNTY COURTS  
OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FOR 2018**

Pursuant to the authority of Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, and to promote the efficient and timely disposition of judicial business in the Circuit and County Courts of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida, the following Divisions and Subdivisions and assignment of Judges are hereby established, **effective January 1, 2018**, and shall continue until further order of this Court unless otherwise provided herein and superseding any provisions in prior Administrative Orders which may be inconsistent:

**I. CIRCUIT JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS IN ORANGE COUNTY:**

**Division 1 - Circuit Criminal:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Gail A. Adams	10-1
Judge Kimberly M. Shepard	11-1
Judge Jenifer M. Harris	12-1
Judge Leticia Marques	14-1
Judge Daniel E. Traver	15-1
Judge A. James Craner	16-1
Judge Keith F. White	17-1
Judge John E. Jordan	19-1
Judge John Marshall Kest	20-1
Judge Lisa T. Munyon	21-1 (Trials)
Judge Marc L. Lubet	22-1
Judge Reginald K. Whitehead	23-1 (Unified Problem Solving Court – Veteran’s Court; Adult Drug Court; Mental Health Court)

**Division 2 - Circuit Civil:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Donald A. Myers, Jr.	32-2 (Business Court)
Judge Kevin B. Weiss	33-2
Judge Keith A. Carsten	34-2
Judge Heather L. Higbee	35-2

Judge Jose R. Rodriguez	37-2
Judge Christi L. Underwood	39-2
Judge Bob LeBlanc	40-2
Judge Julie H. O’Kane	43-2 (Business Court)
Judge Renee A. Roche	36-2 (Trials)

**Division 3 - Family Court-Domestic Relations:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Mark S. Blechman	29-3
Judge Diana M. Tennis	30-3
Judge Tanya Davis Wilson	31-3
Judge Patricia A. Doherty	38-3
Judge Alan S. Apte	42-3

**Division 3a - Family Court-Domestic Violence:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Alicia L. Latimore	44-3
Judge Wayne C. Wooten	45-3
Judge Alice L. Blackwell	46-3

**Division 4 - Family Court-Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Tim Shea	03-4 (Dependency)
Judge Reginald K. Whitehead	05-4 (Juvenile Delinquency Drug Court; Family Dependency Drug Court; Early Childhood Court)
Judge Sally D.M. Kest	06-4 (Delinquency)
Judge Daniel P. Dawson	07-4 (Dependency)
Judge Robert J. Egan	08-4 (Delinquency)

**Division 5 – Probate, Guardianships, Mental Health,  
Trusts, Civil Commitments under “Jimmy Ryce Act”:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Janet C. Thorpe	01-5
Judge Diana M. Tennis	02-5

**Division 11 – Chief Judge Division:**

**Subdivision No.**

(case assignments as designated by Chief Judge)

Judge Frederick J. Lauten	99-11
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**II. CIRCUIT JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS IN OSCEOLA COUNTY:**

**Division A - Circuit Criminal:**

(includes circuit criminal cases involving domestic violence)

Judge Jon B. Morgan  
Judge Elaine A. Barbour  
Judge Greg A. Tynan  
Judge Reginald K. Whitehead

**Subdivision No.**

10-A  
11-A  
12-A  
13-A (Unified Problem Solving Court – Veteran’s Court; Adult Drug Court; Mental Health Court)

**Division B - Circuit Civil:**

(includes Probate, Guardianships and Mental Health)

Judge Margaret H. Schreiber

**Subdivision No.**

20-B

**Division C – Family Court- Domestic Relations, Child Support Enforcement, Juvenile Delinquency Domestic Violence Injunctions, and Repeat/Sexual/Dating Violence/ Stalking Injunctions to be on Rotating Basis Between Subdivisions 30-C, 40-C and 41-C:**

Judge Luis F. Calderon  
Judge Heather Pinder Rodriguez  
Judge Reginald K. Whitehead

**Subdivision No.**

30-C  
40-C  
42-C (Juvenile Delinquency Drug Court)

**Division C – Dependency, Dependency-Related Dissolutions, and Uncontested Pro Se Hearings:**

Judge Patricia L. Strowbridge

41-C

**Division E - Circuit Civil:**

(includes Probate, Guardianships and Mental Health)

Judge Mike Murphy

**Subdivision No.**

22-E

**Division F - Civil Commitments under “Jimmy Ryce Act” Division:**

Judge Frederick J. Lauten

**Subdivision No.**

21-F

**III. COUNTY JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS IN ORANGE COUNTY:**

**Division 6 - County Civil Division:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Martha Adams	70-6
Judge David P. Johnson	71-6
Judge Faye Allen	72-6
Judge Eric H. DuBois	73-6

**Division 7 - County Criminal Divisions:**

**Subdivision No.**

(misdemeanor & traffic cases)

Judge Evellen Jewett	61-7
Judge Andrew L. Cameron	62-7
Judge Elizabeth J. Starr	63-7
Judge Jamie Rutland Grosshans	64-7
Judge Wayne J. Shoemaker	80-7
Judge Gisela T. Laurent	81-7
Judge Brian F. Duckworth	82-7
Judge Maureen A. Bell	83-7
Judge Steve Jewett	84-7
Judge Tina L. Caraballo	85-7

**Division 8 - County Specialized Divisions:**

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Wilfredo Martinez (Trials & misdemeanors involving domestic relations issues)	50-8
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Judge Jeanette D. Bigney	51-8 (located at BRC)
Judge Adam McGinnis	52-8 (located at BRC)

Judge Nancy L. Clark (Trials)	53-8
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As Assigned (Non-criminal infractions and ordinance violations; animal control)	55-8
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**Division 9 - West Orange County Division:**

**Subdivision No.**

As Assigned	90-9
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**Division 10 - Northwest Orange County Division:**

**Subdivision No.**

As Assigned	91-10 and 92-10 (Filed in Winter Park)
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**IV. COUNTY JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS IN OSCEOLA COUNTY:**

**Division G - County Civil:**

(all county civil matters and non-criminal ordinance violations)

**Subdivision No.**

Judge Hal C. Epperson, Jr.

60-G

**Division H - County Criminal:**

(misdemeanors, traffic, and county criminal cases involving domestic violence, and criminal ordinance violations)

Judge Carol Engel Draper

70-H

Judge Heather K. O'Brien

80-H

Judge Stefania Jancewicz

71-H

This Order does not preclude other secondary assignments of any Circuit Judge, nor does it preclude any Circuit Judge being given any assignment at any time in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit or in the County Courts of Orange or Osceola Counties; and this Order does not preclude other secondary assignments of any County Judge, nor does it preclude any County Judge being given any assignment at any time in the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit when eligible, or in the County Court of Orange County or Osceola County when necessary for the proper administration of the courts.

**DONE AND ORDERED** at Orlando, Florida, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

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Frederick J. Lauten  
Chief Judge

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