

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR POLK COUNTIES, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 4-17.2

ASSIGNMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH CASES IN PROBATE DIVISION

WHEREAS, to promote judicial economy, maximize judicial resources, and provide for the prompt and efficient administration of justice in this circuit, the Court has determined that it is necessary to assign mental health cases in the probate division as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the authority vested in the chief judge under article V, section 2(d), Florida Constitution; section 43.26, Florida Statutes; and Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(2); it is therefore

ORDERED that all mental health cases, except for risk protection cases, shall be assigned to Section 17. Risk protection cases shall be assigned to Section 31. Any hearing previously scheduled to take place after entry of this Order shall take place as scheduled. This Order vacates and supersedes Administrative Order No. 4-17.1, entered on April 26, 2022, and is effective on signing.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 5th day of January, 2024, *nunc pro tunc* to 12:01 a.m. on January 4, 2024.

s/JAMES A. YANCEY, Chief Judge

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