

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 7-10.12

IN RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF CIVIL TRAFFIC INFRACTION
HEARING OFFICER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has enacted legislation permitting the establishment of civil infraction hearing officer programs in §318.30, Fla. Stat.; and

WHEREAS, the judges of the County Court for Hardee, Highlands and Polk Counties have recommended unanimously that a civil traffic infraction hearing officer program (the Program) be established to serve the people of Hardee, Highlands and Polk Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Supreme Court, by letter dated December 15, 1997, has approved the establishment of the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Program is necessary for the administration of justice in this county to assist in relieving the excessive caseloads in the county court;

It is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Civil Infraction Traffic Hearing Officer Program has been established in Hardee, Highlands and Polk Counties.
2. Daveta L. Williams, Esquire, independent contractor, is appointed and designated as a contract Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officers (contractual).
3. This Administrative Order is effective upon signing and VACATES and SUPERCEDES Administrative Order No. 7-10.11, entered on November 21, 2025.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 20th day of July, 2026.

s/JAMES A. YANCEY, Chief Judge

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