

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

SPECIAL ORDER

**IN RE: TRANSFER OF CASES TO THE F8 AND M8 DIVISIONS
AND TERMINATION OF THE P8 AND DT DIVISIONS**

WHEREAS, recent judicial assignment changes make it necessary to transfer cases currently assigned to the P8 and DT Divisions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge under article V, section 2(d), Florida Constitution; § 43.26, Florida Statutes; and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(2), it is ORDERED that:

1. The Polk County Clerk of the Circuit Court is directed to transfer the following open, reopened, and closed cases from the P8 and DT Divisions to the F8 Division:
 - a. Felony Post Adjudication Drug Court (PADC) cases;
 - b. Behavioral Health Court (BHC) cases (misdemeanor and felony cases); and
 - c. Veteran's Court cases (misdemeanor and felony cases).
2. The Polk County Clerk of the Circuit Court is directed to transfer the following open, reopened, and closed cases from the P8 and DT Divisions to the M8 Division:
 - a. Misdemeanor Post Adjudication Drug Court (PADC) cases; and
 - b. DUI/Drug Court cases (misdemeanor and felony cases).
3. Hearings: If a transferred case has a hearing scheduled to occur on or after the date of transfer, the hearing shall take place as scheduled before the assigned judge unless rescheduled.
4. Effective Date: This Order is effective upon signing.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 21st day of March, 2024.

s/JAMES A. YANCEY, Chief Judge

Original: Polk County Clerk of the Circuit Court

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Polk County Clerk of the Circuit Court

Office of the State Attorney

Office of the Public Defender

Office of Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel, 2nd District Region

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