IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PASCO AND PINELLAS COUNTIES, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2025-039 PA-CIR

RE: PASCO COUNTY EMERGENCY DUTY SCHEDULE – DECEMBER 29, 2025, THROUGH JANUARY 1, 2027

To conduct the business of the Circuit and County Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, Pasco County, it is necessary that judges be assigned as the emergency duty judge. In order to perform the functions assigned to the duty judge, it is necessary that circuit judges be temporarily assigned to the county court and that county judges be temporarily assigned to the circuit court.

In accordance with Article V, section 2, Florida Constitution, Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215, and section 43.26, Florida Statutes,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Circuit Court Judges of the Sixth Judicial Circuit listed below are assigned and designated to proceed to the Pasco County Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit. Judges of the County Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, Pasco County, listed below, are assigned and designated to proceed to the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit. The judges, under and by virtue of the authority hereof, are vested with all and singular the powers and prerogatives conferred by the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida upon the judges of the courts to which they are hereby assigned to hear and thereafter to dispose of such matters considered by them during that period of time.
- 2. The judges listed herein are assigned and designated to hear and conduct first appearance hearings (advisories). The judges listed herein are also assigned and designated to hear, conduct, try, and determine any civil, criminal, family, or probate matter of an emergency nature where the assigned judge is unavailable. For purposes of this order, unavailability may include, but is not limited to, situations where the assigned judge is absent from the courthouse, or where the assigned judge is present at the courthouse but is presiding over a trial/hearing, which cannot readily be adjourned to accommodate the emergency hearing. The assigned judge shall also be considered unavailable unless the judge designates otherwise, between the hours of 5:01 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. Said duties shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

A. CRIMINAL

- 1. Advisory hearings.
- 2. Search warrants.
- 3. Arrest warrants of an emergency nature.
- 4. Pre-trial release decisions not otherwise heard by the Section Judge.
- 5. All other emergency matters where the assigned judge is unavailable.

B. CIVIL, FAMILY AND PROBATE

1. All dating, domestic, repeat, sexual violence, stalking, and exploitation of a vulnerable adult ex parte injunctions.

- 2. Emergency custody or visitation (time sharing) matters.
- 3. Orders of Arrest and Commitment, Orders to Show Cause, Orders of Arrest, Writs of Bodily Attachment for Failure to Pay Child Support, Writs of Bodily Attachment for Failure to Appear, and Orders Holding Respondent in Custody or Releasing from Custody.
- 4. Emergency Rule of Civil Procedure 1.610 injunctions.
- 5. Review of Clerk's decision not to issue a Certificate of Indigence.
- 6. Baker Act or Marchman Act petitions for involuntary commitment.
- 7. Petitions for Emergency Temporary Guardianship.
- 8. Emergency requests for medical treatment, or removal of life support.
- 9. Proceedings to waive parental notification of termination of pregnancy where the assigned judge is unavailable.
- 10. Any other civil, family, or probate matter of an emergency nature where the assigned judge is not available.

The responsibilities of the duty judge are expanded to include all matters specifically mentioned in this Order and any other emergency which should arise during a judge's emergency duty. The assigned judge shall hear such matters that may be brought before the judge and thereafter dispose of such matters considered by them during that period of time. Emergency is not a term subject to easy definition. As such, judges called upon to hear matters claimed to be emergency in nature must determine if the law or totality of the circumstances require immediate action. In the event the emergency duty judge decides the matter is not an emergency for the duty judge, the judge will require the matter to be referred to the assigned section judge for the section judge to review to determine if the matter should be expedited for hearing.

C. HOLIDAYS AND WEEKENDS

On holidays and weekends, the emergency duty judge's responsibilities also include shelter hearings pursuant to sections 39.402 and 39.506, Florida Statutes, and delinquency detention hearings pursuant to section 985.255, Florida Statutes.

- 3. The duty judge shall serve from 8:01 a.m. Monday until 8:00 a.m. the following Monday except when the following Monday is a court holiday, the duty continues until 8:00 a.m. Tuesday. The duty judge is expected to remain at the courthouse until 5:00 p.m. each weekday to handle emergencies and other duty assignments occurring at the courthouse. The duty judge shall also be on call 24 hours per day to hear all emergency matters occurring after 5:01 p.m. The emergency duty judge is required to be accessible via cellular phone at all times when assigned duty.
- 4. If the following assignments conflict with any other commitments, IT IS THE OBLIGATION OF THE JUDGE ASSIGNED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH ANOTHER JUDGE TO EXCHANGE THE DUTY. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ASSIGNED JUDGE TO PROVIDE TIMELY NOTIFICATION OF THE EXCHANGE TO ALL PERSONS AFFECTED BY THE EXCHANGE.

All judges assigned to the Circuit and County Courts shall serve as duty judge in accordance with the following schedule:

DATE	JUDGE	LOCATION	HOLIDAYS
DECEMBER			
29-31	DUBBELD	NPR	
JANUARY 2026			
1	DUBBELD	NPR	New Year's Holiday*
2-4	DUBBELD	NPR	
5-11	DISKEY	NPR	
12-18	BARTHLE	DC	
19	BARTHLE	DC	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*
20-25	WESTINE	NPR	
26-31	GREY	NPR	
FEBRUARY			
1	GREY	NPR	
2-8	MOORE	NPR	
9-15	WANSBORO	NPR	
16-22	NATHE	DC	
23-28	BYRD	NPR	
MARCH			
1	BYRD	NPR	
2-8	JUSTICE	NPR	
9-15	HANDSEL	NPR	
16-22	POLK	DC	
23-29	GROGER	NPR	
30-31	ANDERSON	NPR	
APRIL			
1-2	ANDERSON	NPR	
3	ANDERSON	NPR	Good Friday*
4-5	ANDERSON	NPR	
6-12	RIBA	NPR	
13-19	LEWIS	NPR	
20-26	THOMAS	DC	
27-30	PEARLMAN	DC	
MAY			
1-3	PEARLMAN	DC	
4-10	BARTHLE	DC	
11-17	MOORE	NPR	
18-24	COMPTON	DC	
25	COMPTON	DC	Memorial Day*
26-31	BABB	DC	

DATE	JUDGE	LOCATION	HOLIDAYS
JUNE			
1-7	GREY	NPR	
8-14	ROBENS	DC	
15-21	POBLICK	DC	
22-28	BYRD	NPR	
29-30	NATHE	DC	
JULY			
1-2	NATHE	DC	
3	NATHE	DC	Independence Day*
4-5	NATHE	DC	
6-12	DUBBELD	NPR	
13-19	RIBA	NPR	
20-26	PEARLMAN	DC	
27-31	BABB	DC	
AUGUST			
1-2	BABB	DC	
3-9	MOORE	NPR	
10-16	POBLICK	DC	
17-23	LEWIS	NPR	
24-30	JUSTICE	NPR	
31	WESTINE	NPR	
SEPTEMBER			
1-6	WESTINE	NPR	
7	WESTINE	NPR	Labor Day*
8-10	GROGER	DC	
11	GROGER	DC	Rosh Hashanah*
12-13	GROGER	DC	
14-20	POLK	DC	
21	POLK	DC	Yom Kippur*
22-27	THOMAS	DC	
28-30	GREY	NPR	
OCTOBER			
1-4	GREY	NPR	
5-11	BYRD	NPR	
12-18	COMPTON	DC	
19-25	PEARLMAN	DC	
26-31	ANDERSON	NPR	

JUDGE	LOCATION	HOLIDAYS
ANDERSON	NPR	
LEWIS	NPR	
HANDSEL	NPR	
HANDSEL	NPR	Veterans Day*
HANDSEL	NPR	
POBLICK	DC	
ROBENS	DC	
ROBENS	DC	Thanksgiving Holiday*
ROBENS	DC	
RIBA	NPR	
RIBA	NPR	
JUSTICE	NPR	
THOMAS	DC	
WANSBORO	NPR	
WANSBORO	NPR	Christmas Holiday*
WANSBORO	NPR	
TBD		
TBD		New Year's Holiday*
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^{*}Court Holidays

Effective December 29, 2025, Administrative Order 2025-029 is hereby rescinded.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida, this _____ day of October 2025.

ORIGINAL SIGNED ON OCTOBER 23, 2025 BY SHAWN CRANE, CHIEF JUDGE

cc: All Pasco Judges

The Honorable Bruce Bartlett, State Attorney

The Honorable Sara Mollo, Public Defender

The Honorable Nikki Alvarez-Sowles, Clerk & Comptroller, Pasco County

The Honorable Chris Nocco, Pasco County Sheriff

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