## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2023-22 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit McHenry County, Illinois



(Third Supplement on Courtroom Assignments)

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2023, Administrative Order No. 2023-19 was entered to address assignments of judicial personnel and courtrooms in consideration of the appointment of a new judge and the looming retirement of another;

WHEREAS, on October 30, 2023, Administrative Order No. 2023-20 (First Supplement on Courtroom Assignments) was entered to address courtrooms in consideration of the space needed to process certain cases;

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2023, Judge Michael E. Coppedge unexpectedly passed, and his felony call needed to be reassigned;

**WHEREAS**, with limited judicial resources and the evolving needs of the community, the Circuit faced a need to have judges work in different divisions through a cooperative effort of those involved;

WHEREAS, the *Special Assignment and Initial Appearance Court Call* in the Problem-Solving Court Division continues the need to be divided to leverage the experience of Judge Jennifer L. Johnson in backing up the other calls in that Division to the extent possible;

**WHEREAS**, for various logistical reasons, Ordinance Violation (OV) cases should be assigned to the Traffic Call and should no longer be assigned to the Criminal Misdemeanor Jury Calls;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 2023-21 (Second Supplement on Courtroom Assignments) was entered on November 22, 2023, to address some of these matters effective December 1, 2023, and these matters need to be further addressed in consideratrion of the retirement of Judge James S. Cowlin at the end of January of 2024;

**THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED** that this Administrative Order shall take effect on and after February 1, 2024, such that Administrative Order Nos. 2023-19, 20, and 21 are further modified insofar as the following assignments shall be made:

## (IN THE CRIMINAL DIVISION:)

CRIMINAL I MISDEMEANOR JURY CALL (Judge Jennifer L. Johnson – Courtroom 301)

Criminal Misdemeanors (CM); Driving Under the Influence (DT); Major Traffic (MT); Traffic Violation (TR); Conservation Violation (CV); Quasi-Criminal (QC); all jury demand cases initiated by the following state, municipal, and/or or local law enforcement agency:

AlgonquinJohnsburgPairie GroveBarrington HillsLake in the HillsRichmondCrystal Lake Park DistrictLakewoodSpring GroveHarvardMarengoUnion

CRIMINAL I MISDEMEANOR JURY CALL is no longer assigned Ordinance Violation (OV) cases.

CRIMINAL MISDEMEANOR NON-JURY CALL (Judge Mark R. Facchini – Courtroom 104)

Initial return date on all Criminal Misdemeanor (CM, DT, MT, TR, CV, and QC) matters from all municipalities and/or State or local law enforcement agencies; all Bench Trials, Petitions to Revoke Proceedings, Bond Hearings, Summary Suspension Hearings, and Forfeitures arising out of CM, DT, or MT cases when the underlying case is not transferred to a jury courtroom.

## (IN THE CIVIL DIVISION:)

CIVIL V CALL (Judge Michael J. Chmiel – Courtroom 365)

All Arbitration (AR); all Small Claims (SC); civil collection cases relating to closed criminal and traffic cases; ADR Supervising Judge, with responsibility for mandatory arbitration, self-represented litigant mediation, and related items.

DATED: December 28, 2023 ENTERED:

MICHAEL J. CHMIEL

**Chief Judge**