

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2026-15

IN RE: TEMPORARY DIVISION CR-G REASSIGNMENTS

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge shall ensure the efficient and proper administration of all courts within the Fourth Judicial Circuit; and

WHEREAS, temporary reassignment and redistribution of certain pending matters in Division CR-G is required to ensure the efficient administration of justice and the orderly disposition of cases; and

WHEREAS, the continued fair and timely handling of matters pending within Division CR-G requires temporary adjustments to judicial assignments and caseload distribution; and

WHEREAS, after consultation among the Felony Administrative Judge, the judges assigned to the felony division, and the Chief Judge, a determination was made that the temporary redistribution of specified cases in Division CR-G would best promote the efficient operation of the division and maintain continuity in case management; and

WHEREAS, the Felony Administrative Judge, together with the judges of the felony division and the Chief Judge, has reviewed the needs of Division CR-G and determined that the temporary reallocation of cases is appropriate to facilitate the effective administration of court operations; and

WHEREAS, this Order is to read and be viewed that it is the clear intent of the Chief Judge that Division CR-G will remain an open division and the reassignments herein are temporary until further order by the Chief Judge.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Article V, §2, Florida Constitution, rule 2.215, Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration, and §43.26, Florida Statutes, it is

ORDERED:

1. Commencing on July 1, 2026, the Clerk of the Court shall reassign cases currently assigned to Circuit Court Division CR-G to Circuit Court Divisions CR-A, CR-B, CR-C, CR-D, CR-E, CR-F, and CR-H, as instructed by the Felony Administrative Judge.

2. All cases involving codefendants assigned to Division CR-G shall remain together upon reassignment to another felony division.

3. Commencing on July 1, 2026, felony arraignments assigned to Division CR-G shall be randomly reassigned to Circuit Court Divisions CR-A, CR-C, CR-D, CR-E, CR-F, and CR-H.

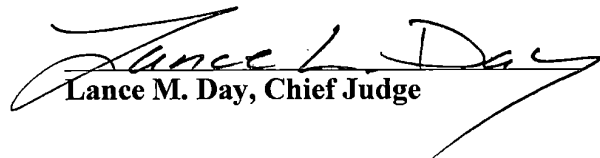
4. Commencing on July 1, 2026, the Clerk of the Court shall randomly assign all new felony cases to Circuit Court Divisions CR-A, CR-C, CR-D, CR-E, CR-F, and CR-H.

5. All warrants, including probation violation arrest warrants, currently assigned to Division CR-G shall remain assigned to Division CR-G until the warrant is executed after which the Clerk of the Court shall randomly assign the case to Circuit Court Division CR-A, CR-B, CR-C, CR-D, CR-E, CR-F, and CR-H.

6. All postconviction motions from cases assigned to Division CR-G shall remain assigned to Division CR-G; subsequent assignment of such motions shall be directed by the Appellate Administrative Judge.

7. This Administrative Order No. 2026-15 shall be recorded by the Clerk of the Court in the Official Records of Duval County in the State of Florida, and shall take effect on July 1, 2026, and remain in full force and effect unless and until otherwise ordered by the Court.

DONE at Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida this 30th day of June 2026.


Lance M. Day, Chief Judge

Copies to:

All Judges, Fourth Judicial Circuit
The Honorable Steven Whittington, Administrative Judge, Clay County
The Honorable Mark Borello, Administrative Judge, Felony Division, Duval County
The Honorable Steven Fahlgren, Administrative Judge, Nassau County
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The Honorable Melissa Nelson, State Attorney, Fourth Judicial Circuit
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