

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 7-9.8

IN RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL MASTER FOR  
PROCEEDINGS INVOLVING VIOLATIONS OF COUNTY ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, Rule 1.490(b), Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, provides for the appointment of a magistrate for any particular service required by the court; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned chief judge and the county judges are desirous of appointing a magistrate to assist the county courts of Hardee, Highlands and Polk Counties in the processing and hearing of cases involving violations of county ordinances;

It is hereby ORDERED that:

1. Robin Matis-Jackson, Jennifer Steimle, Philip Vandebosch, Jeffrey Sirmons (effective as of October 1, 2025), and Maria Zucker are appointed as magistrates to preside over those cases described herein as assigned by any county judge.
2. Except as otherwise indicated herein, this Administrative Order is effective upon signing and VACATES and SUPERCEDES Administrative Order No. 7-9.7, entered on August 13, 2024.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 21st day of November, 2025.

s/JAMES A. YANCEY, Chief Judge

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