

**IN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER S-2024-049
(Rescinds Administrative S-2023-019)**

ABOLITION OF CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION “HT”

Administrative Order S-2023-019 was entered in April 2023 to establish Circuit Civil Division “HT” and temporarily manage a surge of circuit civil tort actions filed immediately prior to the passage of Chapter 2023-15, Laws of Florida. Since the issuance of Administrative Order S-2023-019, the presiding judge of Circuit Civil Division “HT” has diligently, effectively, and efficiently managed the thousands of cases transferred to the division. All actions that were initially transferred to Circuit Civil Division “HT” have been managed and have been transferred back to their originating divisions. Division “HT” has served its purpose and is no longer necessary.

By the power vested in the chief judge under article V, section 2(d), Florida Constitution; section 43.26, Florida Statutes; and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(2), it is ORDERED:

1. Circuit Civil Division “HT”

Circuit Civil Division “HT” is abolished.

2. Transfer of Closed Cases

The Clerk of the Circuit Court, prior to abolishing Circuit Civil Division “HT,” must ensure that any cases that were closed in Division “HT” but remained in Division “HT” after closure are transferred back to their originating circuit civil division.

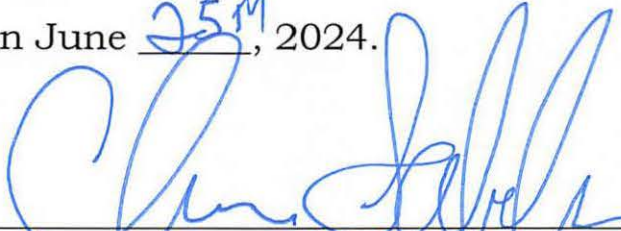
3. Previous Administrative Order Rescinded

Administrative Order S-2023-019 (*Establishment of Circuit Civil Division “HT” as a Temporary Division to Manage Certain Cases*) is rescinded.

4. Effective Date

This administrative order is effective on July 1, 2024.

ENTERED on June 25th, 2024.



Christopher C. Sabella, Chief Judge

Original: Cindy Stuart, Clerk of the Circuit Court
Copy: All Circuit Civil Division Judges
Hillsborough County Bar Association