IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.: 25-14
SUPERSEDES 02-12-B

## IN RE: CIVIL - CONSOLIDATION OF CIVIL CASES IN CIRCUIT COURT

For the purposes of uniformity in judicial caseload management responsibilities throughout the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, all Circuit Civil cases shall be consolidated as follows:

- In all civil cases subject to consolidation, except consolidation for discovery only, the Clerk of the Court shall consider the latest filed case number as closed and file all originals in the earliest filed case number only.
- All Motions for Consolidation of cases shall be brought before the Judge assigned to the
  earliest filed case number who will receive the case or cases to be consolidated with
  his/her assigned case.
- 3. When the cases are consolidated for discovery only, each case number will remain active, and each case will be disposed of at separate trials. The Order of Consolidation shall specify that each later filed case will be assigned to, and consolidated with, the judge with the earliest filed case number.

DONE AND ORDERED this 13th day of February, 2025.

CHARLIE CRAWFORD

CHIEF JUDGE

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