

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA**

SPECIAL ORDER

**IN RE: REASSIGNMENT OF CASES ASSIGNED TO
THE HONORABLE MICHAEL E. RAIDEN IN WHICH
THE LAW FIRM OF VICTOR SMITH LAW GROUP, P.A.
IS LISTED AS THE FIRM OF RECORD**

WHEREAS, the Honorable Michael E. Raiden (hereinafter "Judge Raiden") is currently assigned to Polk County Civil Division 15;

WHEREAS, Judge Raiden may be assigned, from time to time, to cases involving attorneys working for the law firm Victor Smith Law Group, P.A.; and

WHEREAS, in lieu of piecemeal presentation of motions for recusal, the Court has determined that there are grounds for a standing order of reassignment of cases that are currently assigned, or ordinarily would be assigned, to Judge Raiden involving attorneys working for the law firm Victor Smith Law Group, P.A, it is accordingly

ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court of Polk County (hereinafter "Clerk") is hereby directed to reassign any and all cases in which attorneys working for the law firm Victor Smith Law Group, P.A. are listed as the attorney or firm of record in a case that is currently assigned, or ordinarily would be assigned, to Judge Raiden (Civil Division 15) to Civil Divisions 04, 07, 08 and 11 in an equal manner. If a case is filed by an attorney other than an attorney working for the law firm Victor Smith Law Group, P.A., and at a later date an attorney working for the law firm Victor Smith Law Group, P.A. files a notice of appearance or some type of pleading in the case, the Clerk is directed to reassign the case to another civil division. When reassigning cases pursuant to this Order, the Clerk shall make the necessary adjustment for the equal distribution of cases assigned among all circuit judges within the civil divisions. This Order shall become effective upon entry.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 5th day of January, 2018.


Donald G. Jacobsen, Chief Judge

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