## AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT LOCAL PROFESSIONALISM PANEL <u>MEMBER TERMS</u>

The purpose of the Local Professionalism Panel is to receive, screen, evaluate and act upon such reasonable complaints of unprofessional conduct as may be referred to the Panel asserting improper behavior of attorneys who may have conducted themselves in contravention or disregard of the standards of professionalism as set forth in the Oath of Admission to The Florida Bar, The Florida Bar Creed of Professionalism, The Florida Bar Ideals and Goals of Professionalism, the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, the decisions and administrative directives of the Florida Supreme Court, professional standards of the Osceola County Bar Association and the Orange County Bar Association's Professionalism Guidelines and resolve those complaints informally, if possible, or refer the complaints to The Florida Bar, if appropriate or necessary. The conduct of the attorneys who are the subject of such complaints shall be reviewed and addressed in a prompt, informal, respectful, non-punitive, educational and constructive manner, as may be appropriate.

Ninth Judicial Circuit Court Administrative Order No. 2014-07-04 establishes staggered terms for each Panel Member, the specific term each Panel Member serves must also be established, with no Panel Member serving longer than six years, unless ordered otherwise by the Chief Judge.

By the power vested in the chief judge under Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution, section 43.26, Florida Statutes, and rule 2.215 of the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration, and in accordance with Administrative Order No. 2014-07-04, effective **immediately**, unless otherwise provided herein, to continue until further order and superseding any provisions in prior Administrative Orders that may be inconsistent, it is **ORDERED** that the Ninth Judicial Circuit Court Local Professionalism Panel Member Terms are established, subject to the discretion of the Chief Judge, as follows:

1. The following Panel Members' three-year term appointments are either continued or newly appointed, all to expire June 30, 2026:

- Lauren Heatwole, Esq., Chairperson
- Kimberly E. Hosley, Esq., Central Florida Association for Women Lawyers (Vice-Chairperson)
- Lisa Harvey, Esq., Paul C. Perkins Bar Association
- Andrew Windle, Esq., Central Florida Family Law American Inn of Court
- Wanda M. Reas, Esq., Greater Orlando Asian American Bar Association

2. The following Panel Members' three-year term appointments are either continued or newly appointed, all to expire June 30, 2028:

- Suzanne E. Gilbert, Esq., Orange County Bar Association Professionalism Committee
- Brandon Sapp, Esq., Orange County Bar Association Young Lawyers Division
- Joseph P. Amos, Esq., American Board of Trial Advocates
- Lauren Day, Esq., Osceola County Bar Association
- John Y. Benford, Esq., Orange County Bar Association Professionalism Committee
- Ani Rodriguez-Newbern, Esq., Hispanic Bar Association of Central Florida

3. The following Panel Members' three-year term appointments are either continued or newly appointed, all to expire June 30, 2027:

- Therese A. Savona, Esq., Orange County Bar Association Professionalism Committee
- John Foster, Esq., George C. Young Inns of Court
- Migdalia Perez, Esq., Osceola County Bar Association
- John Marshall Kest, Esq., Senior Judge

- Mimi Smith, Esq., at-large member appointed by the Chief Judge
- Frank A. Hamner, Esq., at-large member appointed by the Chief Judge
- Barrie L. N. Click, Esq., at-large member appointed by the Chief Judge
- Michael Sangiorgio, Esq., at-large member appointed by the Chief Judge
- Chris Mack, Esq., at-large member appointed by the Chief Judge

4. Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2014-07-04, the Panel Members will screen and work to resolve individual referrals and cases in rotating groups of three (3) Panel Members to be selected by the Chairperson.

5. With the exception of the at-large members to be appointed by the Chief Judge, as the above-stated terms expire, or in the event a Panel Member is no longer able to serve, the Chairperson shall submit to the Chief Judge either the name of the Panel Member whose term expired to be named to a new term, not to exceed of total of six (6) years unless ordered otherwise by the Chief Judge, or the name of a replacement. Upon approval of the Chief Judge, an administrative order shall issue appointing the Panel Member.

6. Administrative Order No. 2014-07-A-19 is vacated and set aside except to the extent that it has been incorporated and/or amended herein. Vacating an Administrative Order that vacates a prior Order does not revive the prior Order.

**DONE AND ORDERED** at Orlando, Florida, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2025, *nunc pro tunc* to July 1, 2025.

Lisa T. Munvon Chief Judge

Copies provided to:

Clerk of Court, Orange County Clerk of Court, Osceola County General E-Mail Distribution List <u>http://www.ninthcircuit.org</u>