

CIRCUIT COURT ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

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GOVERNOR'S LEGAL OFFICE

Dear Governor DeSantis,

Please accept my formal resignation as Circuit Court Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, effective November 4, 2022. Since my election in the year 2000, my service as a Circuit Court Judge to the people of this great State of Florida has been an honor and a privilege. During my tenure, I have had the privilege of serving in every division of our Circuit Court, (Criminal, Juvenile, Civil, Probate and Family Divisions), dedicating the last twelve (12) years to the Family Division and serving in the capacity of Associate Administrative Judge of the Family Division for the past three (3) years.

As a jurist, I have been blessed with the opportunity to change lives and help people, especially families and children. This task comes with great responsibility. Our courtrooms have a sign behind the judge's chair that reads: "We Who Labor Here Seek Only the Truth." In my nearly thirty (30) years of public service, I have lived by this mantra and have devoted my legal career to our community. I look forward to continuing my dedication to public service in my next chapter.

Sincerely

Maria Espinosa Dennis

cc: Hon. Carlos G. Muniz, Chief Justice Hon. Nushin Sayfie, Chief Judge