

Lake County Court

5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STATE OF FLORIDA

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BRIAN J. WELKE LAKE COUNTY JUDGE SHERRY TURNER JUDICIAL ASSISTANT

April 26, 2019

Via U.S. Mail and Email

The Honorable Ron DeSantis Governor of the State of Florida The Capitol 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Dear Governor DeSantis:

Thank you for the opportunity that you have given me by appointing me to fill the vacancy in the Circuit Court in and for the Fifth Judicial Circuit, created by the retirement of the Honorable Lawrence J. Semento, Group 2.

In accordance with the law, I hereby resign my County Court position, Lake County Court Judge, Group 2, effective May 31, 2019, at midnight and accept your appointment as a Circuit Court Judge, and will assume that position, effective June 1, 2019.

It has been an honor to serve the citizens of Lake County as a County Court Judge, and I am looking forward to continuing to serve the community as a Circuit Court Judge. Thank you again for honoring me with this appointment.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Welke

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Cc: Honorable Daniel B. Merritt, Jr.

Joe Jacquot, General Counsel

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