

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-233

WHEREAS, the Honorable WILLIAM EDDINS, State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida, has advised Governor RICK SCOTT that a member of the victim's family is requesting return of evidence produced in the prosecution of the trial of Jimmy L. Ates; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable ANGELA B. COREY, State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit, was assigned by Executive Order 09-255 to handle the prosecution of Jimmy L. Ates; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable WILLIAM EDDINS has advised the Governor that original conflict continues to exist; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable WILLIAM EDDINS, to avoid a conflict of interest or any appearance of impropriety, has voluntarily disqualified himself and has requested the executive assignment of another State Attorney with respect to the investigation and prosecution of this case and all related matters; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable ANGELA B. COREY, State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, has agreed to accept an executive assignment in this matter; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the State of Florida and of the ends of justice that the Honorable ANGELA B. COREY discharge the duties of the Honorable WILLIAM EDDINS, pursuant to Section 27.14, Florida Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, in obedience to my solemn constitutional duty to “take care that the laws be faithfully executed,” and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, issue the following Executive Order, effective immediately:

Section 1.

The Honorable ANGELA B. COREY, State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, referred to as the “Assigned State Attorney,” is assigned to discharge the duties of the Honorable WILLIAM EDDINS, State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida, as they relate to the return of evidence to the victim’s family produced in the prosecution of Jimmy L. Ates.

Section 2.

The Assigned State Attorney or one or more Assistant State Attorneys and Investigators, who have been designated by the Assigned State Attorney, shall proceed immediately to the First Judicial Circuit of Florida, and are vested with the authority to perform the duties prescribed herein.

Section 3.

All residents of the First Judicial Circuit are requested, and all public officials are directed, to cooperate and render whatever assistance is necessary to the Assigned State Attorney, so that justice may be served.

Section 4.

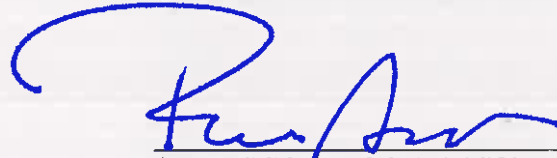
The period of this Executive Assignment shall be for one (1) year, to and including August 26, 2014.

Section 5.

The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before July 26, 2014, if additional time is required.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 26th day of August, 2013.



RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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