



**STATE OF FLORIDA**  
**SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**  
Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns & Volusia Counties  
Volusia County Courthouse  
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DeLand, Florida 32720

**RAUL A. ZAMBRANO**  
**CHIEF JUDGE**

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February 23, 2018

Honorable Scott Dupont  
410 St. Johns Avenue, #208  
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Dear Judge Dupont:

After much thought and consideration to the present status of the proceedings now pending against you, I feel compelled to make a number of changes which, in my opinion, will minimize any impact on the administration of justice in the Seventh Judicial Circuit and help maintain public trust and confidence in the judiciary. Pursuant to my authority as Chief Judge, I notify you of these temporary changes.

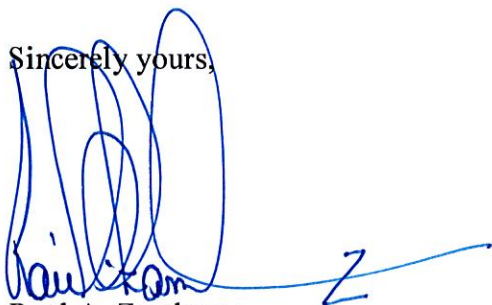
Effective immediately I am ordering a temporary reassignment of all cases assigned to you and removing you from a divisional assignment. The cases will be distributed and reapportioned pursuant to a separate administrative order. Please notify me as quickly as possible if you have any pending orders or judgments under advisement so that I may take appropriate action in those cases.

Further, I am temporarily assigning you to unspecified duties to be determined. These duties will be performed away from any courthouse of the Seventh Judicial Circuit. However, this does not preclude you in any way from entering any courthouse, as a private citizen, for personal purposes or business not related to the administration of justice. This assignment does not alter your status as a Circuit Judge.

Substitute judges will be assigned to sit in the offices that you presently occupy at the Kim C. Hammond Justice Center and the Putnam County Courthouse. Please clear any of your personal belongings from the offices by Monday, February 26, 2018, so that the substitute judges can utilize the offices. Please surrender all your keys and remote control access to the parking facilities to your Judicial Assistant by Monday, February 26, 2018. Please let me know if you need assistance so that I may coordinate with the Office of Court Administration to provide such assistance.

Should you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me.  
I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'R' followed by 'aul' and a long horizontal line ending in a 'Z'.

Raul A. Zambrano  
Chief Judge

Cc Honorable Jorge Labarga, Chief Justice – Florida Supreme Court  
Mr. Michael Schneider, Esq. Florida Judicial Qualification Commission  
Mr. Eugene K. Pettis, Esq.  
Mr. Rutledge R. Liles, Esq.  
Judges of the Seventh Judicial Circuit  
Judges of Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns and Volusia Counties  
Sheriffs of Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns and Volusia Counties  
Mr. Mark Weinberg, Court Administrator