IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 16TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: 6.009/25-1

IN RE:

APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL MAGISTRATES FOR INVOLUNTARY PLACEMENT AND INVOLUNTARY TREATMENT HEARINGS

WHEREAS, Florida Statute Section 394.467 (6)(a)3 provides that the court may appoint a general or special magistrate to preside at hearings upon Petitions for Involuntary Placement;

WHEREAS, Florida Statute Section 397.681 (1) provides that the Chief Judge may appoint a general or special magistrate to preside over all or part of the proceedings held upon Petitions for Involuntary Assessment and/or Treatment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority conferred by Rule 2.215 (b)(2), Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, it is therefore

ORDERED that upon filing, cases seeking involuntary inpatient placement under Florida Statute Section 394.467(3), continued involuntary inpatient placement under Florida Statute Section 394.467(7), involuntary outpatient placement under Florida Statute Section 394.4655(4), or a petition seeking consent for procedures listed under Florida Statute Section 394.4598(7), shall be referred to Magistrate Holly Aliprandi. This Administrative Order shall act as a blanket Order of Referral for those cases.

Qualified attorneys may be appointed on a case-by-case basis by the presiding judges assigned to the Probate and Guardianship Division to preside at involuntary placement hearings pursuant to Florida Statute 394.467, and are authorized by the Chief Judge to preside over Involuntary Assessment and/or Treatment hearings covered under Florida Statute Section 397.68, if necessary.

Nothing in this order precludes these proceedings from being heard by a county or circuit judge.

Administrative Order 6.009/10-1 Appointment of General and Special Magistrates for Involuntary Placement and Involuntary Treatment Hearings is rescinded and amended in its entirety.

DONE AND ORDERED at Key West, Monroe County, Florida, this January 2025, nunc pro tunc January 29, 2024.

Bonnie Helm

Chief Judge