

# Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC17-35

IN RE: DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL BUDGET COMMISSION

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

The District Court of Appeal Budget Commission was created to oversee the preparation and implementation of the district court component of the judicial branch budget. The commission is directly responsible for recommending budgeting and funding policies and procedures for the district court budgets, so that the funding requirements of each of the intermediate appellate courts can be adequately addressed while promoting statewide operational consistency.

Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.235(e) provides that the voting membership of the commission shall include the chief judge of each district court of appeal, who shall serve for his or her term as chief judge, and one additional judge from each district court, who shall serve for a four-year term. The terms of a number of members of the commission expire on June 30, 2017. Some members who currently serve as the second judge from the respective district court will become chief judge on July 1, 2017.

Accordingly, the following judges shall serve on the commission commencing on July 1, 2017, and continuing until their respective terms as chief judge are completed:<sup>1</sup>

The Honorable Bradford L. Thomas  
First District Court of Appeal

The Honorable Edward C. LaRose  
Second District Court of Appeal

The Honorable Leslie B. Rothenberg  
Third District Court of Appeal

The Honorable Jonathan D. Gerber  
Fourth District Court of Appeal

Additionally, in order to maintain staggered terms for voting members as provided in Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.235(e)(4), The Honorable Spencer D. Levine shall serve as the second judge member from the Fourth District Court of Appeal, effective July 1, 2017, for a term that expires on June 30, 2019, which is the remainder of the term for the membership held by his predecessor. Effectively July 1, 2017, the following members shall serve as the second judge member from the respective district court for a term that expires on June 30, 2021:<sup>2</sup>

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1. The Honorable Jay P. Cohen was appointed to serve in his capacity and for his term as chief judge of the Fifth District Court of Appeal by In re: District Court of Appeal Budget Commission, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC17-1 (Jan. 17, 2017).

2. The Honorable Stevan T. Northcutt was appointed to serve as the second judge member from the Second District Court of Appeal, for a term that

The Honorable L. Clayton Roberts  
First District Court of Appeal

The Honorable Barbara Lagoa  
Third District Court of Appeal

The Honorable Wendy W. Berger  
Fifth District Court of Appeal

Further, Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.235(e)(2) provides that the chief justice will appoint one member to serve as chair and one member to serve as vice chair, each for a four-year term or until the member's term on the commission expires. In accordance with In re: District Court of Appeal Budget Commission, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC17-1 (Jan. 17, 2017), Judge Jonathan D. Gerber shall continue to serve as chair until June 30, 2019. Judge L. Clayton Roberts is hereby designated to serve as vice chair until June 30, 2021, when his term on the commission is scheduled to expire.

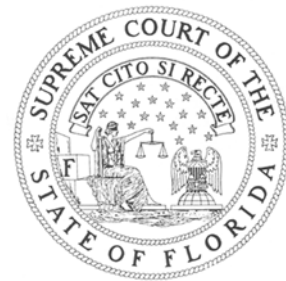
DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, on June 27, 2017.

  
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Jorge Labarga, Chief Justice

ATTEST:



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John A. Tomasino, Clerk of Court



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expires June 30, 2019, by In re: District Court of Appeal Budget Commission, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC15-26 (Aug. 28, 2015).