

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 10-12

WHEREAS, the Honorable MICHAEL MCAULIFFE, State Attorney for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, has advised Governor CHARLIE CRIST that Sabrina Chavers was charged with leaving the scene of an accident with property damage, a violation of the criminal laws of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable MICHAEL MCAULIFFE has also advised the Governor that Sabrina Chavers is an employee of the state attorney's office; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable MICHAEL MCAULIFFE, to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest or 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 BRUCE H. COLTON, State Attorney for the Nineteenth 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 BRUCE H. COLTON discharge the duties of the Honorable MICHAEL MCAULIFFE, pursuant to Section 27.14, Florida Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHARLIE CRIST, 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, do hereby promulgate the following Executive Order, effective immediately:

Section 1.

The Honorable BRUCE H. COLTON, State Attorney for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, hereinafter referred to as the "Assigned State Attorney," is hereby assigned to discharge the duties of the Honorable MICHAEL MCAULIFFE, State Attorney for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, as they relate to the investigation, prosecution and representation of the State of Florida in all matters related to Sabrina Chavers.

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 forthwith to the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, and are hereby vested with the authority to perform the duties prescribed herein.

Section 3.

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

Section 4.

The period of this Executive Assignment shall be for one (1) year, to and including January 20, 2011.

Section 5.

The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before December 20, 2010,
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 20th day of January, 2010.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charlie Crist", written over a horizontal line.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Atkinson", written over a horizontal line.
SECRETARY OF STATE

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