

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-44

(Extension of State Attorney Executive Assignment)

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable WILLIAM M. GLADSON, State Attorney for the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, was previously assigned by Executive Order 20-24, as extended by Executive Order 21-08, to the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida to represent the State of Florida concerning charges pending against Christopher Otero-Rivera and Angel Rivera; and

**WHEREAS**, the Assigned State Attorney has advised the Governor that the duties required by the previous executive assignment have not yet been completed as a Mandate was issued by the Sixth District Court of Appeal on January 30, 2023. Angel Luis Rivera has been deceased since September 22, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Assigned State Attorney has further advised the Governor that an extension of this assignment is necessary in order to complete the assigned duties; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the State of Florida and of the ends of justice that the assignment of the Assigned State Attorney be continued with respect to the above matters, pursuant to section 27.14, Florida Statutes.

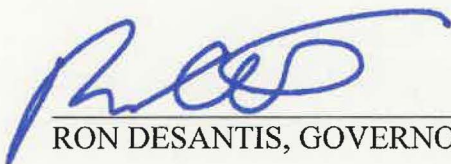
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS**, Governor of Florida, in obedience to my solemn constitutional duty to “take care that the laws be faithfully executed,” and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, issue the following Executive Order:

Section 1. Executive Order 20-24, as extended by Executive Order 21-08, is reaffirmed and the executive assignment is extended for an additional period of two (2) years, to and including January 31, 2024.

Section 2. The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before December 31, 2023, 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 February, 2023.

  
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RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
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SECRETARY OF STATE

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