



CIRCUIT COURT
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

W. GREGG McCAULIE
CIRCUIT JUDGE

January 8, 2020

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Governor Ron DeSantis
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Dear Governor DeSantis:

It is with somewhat mixed emotions that I write to announce my retirement as a Circuit Judge in the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida effective January 31, 2020. I began my tenure as a Circuit Judge in April, 1996, having been appointed by then Governor Lawton Chiles. During the 24 years that I have been on the bench I have served in all of the division assignments we have here in Jacksonville.

Shortly after I began, Judge Major B. Harding who was then a Circuit Judge in Jacksonville showed me an inscription on the back of his name plate that sat on the table of his hearing room. That inscription faced him as he sat in his chair to hear cases. It said, "A fair and courteous hearing and a prompt ruling". I have tried to live up to that motto during my time on the bench. It has served as a reminder to me not only that justice can be dispensed in a courteous manner and should be fair to the parties, but also that we serve the public and they deserve no less than that treatment when they come before the Court.

I say that I am retiring with mixed emotions because I truly have enjoyed being a Judge but I also am looking forward to a long and healthy retirement. Please accept my resignation as a Circuit Judge effective January 31, 2020.

Thank you for your service to our State. I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W. Gregg McCaulie".

W. Gregg McCaulie

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