



CIRCUIT COURT  
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

DIANE WARD  
CIRCUIT JUDGE

RICHARD E. GERSTEIN JUSTICE BUILDING  
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October 18, 2019

Honorable Ron D. DeSantis  
Governor of Florida  
c/o Joseph W. Jacquot, Esq.  
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Executive Office of the Governor  
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Dear Governor DeSantis,

For the past seventeen years I have had the privilege of serving the people of the State of Florida as a Circuit Court Judge in Miami-Dade County, Florida. However, the time has come for me to begin the next chapter of my life. I will be resigning from the Circuit Court bench effective December 30, 2019 (11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Group 04).

I will always cherish the years that I spent serving the people in my community as a member of this honorable branch of government. I leave the bench thankful for the people I have come to know through the Conference of Circuit Court Judges, my dear friends and colleagues Chief Judge Bertila Soto, Administrative Judge Nushin Sayfie and all of the people who work tirelessly every day to make our system of justice the best in the world.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane Ward".

DIANE WARD  
Circuit Court Judge