

STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 11-07

WHEREAS, the Honorable ANGELA COREY, State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, has advised Governor RICK SCOTT that Richard Stewart was arrested for sale of a controlled substance, two counts of carrying a concealed firearm, possession of 20 grams or less of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia, violations of the criminal laws of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable ANGELA COREY has also advised that Richard Stewart is related to an employee of the state attorney's office; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable ANGELA COREY, to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest or impropriety, has voluntarily disqualified herself and has requested the executive assignment of another State Attorney with respect to the investigation and potential prosecution of this case and all related matters; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable R. J. LARIZZA, State Attorney for the Seventh 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 R. J. LARIZZA discharge the duties of the Honorable ANGELA COREY, pursuant to Section 27.14, Florida Statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, 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, effective immediately:

Section 1.

The Honorable R. J. LARIZZA, State Attorney for the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, referred to as the "Assigned State Attorney," is assigned to discharge the duties of the Honorable ANGELA COREY, State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, as they relate to the investigation, potential prosecution and all matters related to Richard Stewart.

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 immediately to the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, and are vested with the authority to perform the duties prescribed above.

Section 3.

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

Section 4.

The period of this Executive Assignment shall be for one (1) year, to and including January 12, 2012.

Section 5.

The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before December 12, 2011,
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 12th day of January, 2011.





GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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