

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 12-168

WHEREAS, the Honorable PETER ANTONACCI, State Attorney for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, has advised Governor RICK SCOTT that allegations have been made against Christian Robertson for burglary of an occupied structure or conveyance, grand theft, theft of a credit card, and fraudulent use of personal identification information; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable PETER ANTONACCI has also advised the Governor that the victim is related to an employee of the state attorney's office; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable PETER ANTONACCI, 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 potential prosecution of this case and all related matters; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable MICHAEL J. SATZ, State Attorney for the Seventeenth 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 MICHAEL J. SATZ discharge the duties of the Honorable PETER ANTONACCI, 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 MICHAEL J. SATZ, State Attorney for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, referred to as the "Assigned State Attorney," is assigned to discharge the duties of the Honorable PETER ANTONACCI, State Attorney for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, as they relate to the investigation, potential prosecution, and all matters related to Christian Robertson.

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 Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, and are 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, so that justice may be served.

Section 4.

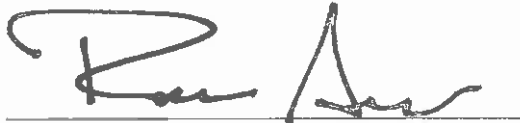
The period of this Executive Assignment shall be for one (1) year, to and including July 30, 2013.

Section 5.

The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before June 30, 2013,  
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 30th day of July,  
2012.

  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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# OFFICE OF THE STATE ATTORNEY

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY



**PETER ANTONACCI**  
STATE ATTORNEY

July 23, 2012

Honorable Rick Scott  
Governor, State of Florida  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

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Governor's Legal Office

**ATTENTION: Susan Smith**  
**Legal Office - Room 209**

Re: Request for *Emergency* Executive Assignment

Dear Governor Scott:

Please accept this letter as our request for reassignment in the case of Christian Robertson, involving the following charges under: Case Number 2012CF006549AXX, 1 Count Burglary of an Occupied Structure or Conveyance, Grand Theft, Theft of a Credit Card, and Fraudulent Use of Personal Identification Information. This case has a speedy issue which requires a filing decision by August 3, 2012.

The reason for this request is that the victim is the spouse of an Assistant State Attorney in our office. It is my opinion that it would serve everyone's interests to have another prosecutor assigned to this case.

I would respectfully request that you please assign another State Attorney to handle all matters related to this case.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

PETER ANTONACCI  
STATE ATTORNEY

By: **PAUL ZACKS**  
Chief Assistant State Attorney

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RICK SCOTT  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF FLORIDA

# Office of the Governor

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0001

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October 11, 2012

The Honorable Michael J. Satz  
State Attorney  
Seventeenth Judicial Circuit  
201 S.E. Sixth Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-3360

Re: Executive Order 12-168/Christian Robertson

Dear Mr. Satz:

I have received your recent letter indicating that you have completed the duties assigned to you under Executive Order 12-168. You are discharged from your duties assigned by this executive order.

Thank you for your dedicated service to the citizens of the State of Florida.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Scott".

Rick Scott  
Governor

cc: The Honorable Peter Antonacci, State Attorney, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit

## Smith, Susan

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**From:** ADM1 - Chuck Morton [C\_B\_Morton@sao17.state.fl.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2012 4:28 PM  
**To:** Smith, Susan  
**Cc:** sao17@sao17.state.fl.us; ADM1 - Kristi Irizarry  
**Subject:** Re: Emergency Executive Assignment - Christian Robertson

Yes, we will accept this assignment.

Chuck Morton  
Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 27, 2012, at 11:02 AM, "Smith, Susan" <[Susan.Smith@eog.MyFlorida.com](mailto:Susan.Smith@eog.MyFlorida.com)> wrote:

As per attached letter this defendant has been arrested for burglary of an occupied structure or conveyance, grand theft, theft of a credit card, and fraudulent use of personal identification information. The case has speedy trial issue which requires a filing decision by August 3, 2012. The victim is related to an employee of the state attorney's office.

*Susan L. Smith*  
Criminal Justice Liaison &  
Victims' Rights Coordinator  
Executive Office of Governor Rick Scott  
The Capitol, Suite 209  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001  
Phone: 850.717.9310  
Direct: 850.717.9311  
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**From:** Alison Harris [<mailto:AHarris@sa15.state.fl.us>]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 27, 2012 10:42 AM  
**To:** Smith, Susan  
**Subject:** Emergency Executive Assignment - Christian Robertson

Good Friday Morning Susan,

Please see the attached letter as our request for an Executive Assignment. Hardcopy to follow by mail.

Best Regards,

Alison

Alison E. Harris | Executive Assistant  
Office Of The State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit  
401 North Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
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**MICHAEL J. SATZ**  
**STATE ATTORNEY**  
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA  
BROWARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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PHONE (954) 831-6955

September 10, 2012

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Governor's Legal Office

Honorable Rick Scott  
Governor of the State of Florida  
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**Re: Executive Order Number 12-168**

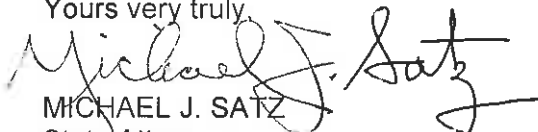
Dear Governor Scott:

On July 30, 2012, Executive Order No. 12-168 was issued appointing the undersigned as Assigned State Attorney for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, with respect to the investigation of Christian Robertson for alleged violations of the criminal laws of Florida.

Upon receipt of this assignment, I designated Assistant State Attorney Jennifer Hilal to handle this case. Christian Robertson was arrested for Burglary, Grand Theft and Theft of a Credit Card. Assistant State Attorney Hilal has advised that after extensive investigation and inquiry into this matter, she determined that the evidence is circumstantial and insufficient to substantiate the crimes alleged. Therefore, charges will not be filed in this case.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be discharged from further duty with regard to Executive Order Number 12-168. I appreciate the opportunity to have been of service in this matter.

Yours very truly,

  
MICHAEL J. SATZ  
State Attorney

MJS:lg

cc: Charles B. Morton, Jr.  
Chief Assistant State Attorney  
cc: Peter Antonacci  
State Attorney, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit  
cc: Jennifer Hilal  
Designated Assistant State Attorney