

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 21-59

WHEREAS, the State Attorney for the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida was previously assigned by Executive Order 17-78, as extended by Executive Orders 18-97, 19-59 and 20-58, to the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida to represent the State of Florida concerning charges pending against David Lewis Payne; 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 there are limited hearings scheduled due to COVID restrictions and the case is pending disposition; 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.

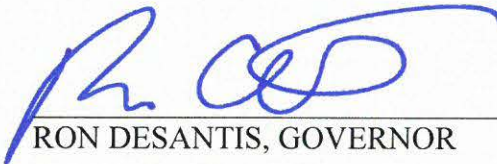
Executive Order 17-78, as extended by Executive Orders 18-97, 19-59 and 20-58, is reaffirmed and the executive assignment is extended for an additional period of one (1) year, to and including April 3, 2022.

Section 2.

The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before March 3, 2022, 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 4th day of March, 2021.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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