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## **Governor Scott Appoints Judge Kelly Butz to the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court**

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – Today, Governor Rick Scott announced the appointment of Polk County Judge Kelly Paige Butz to the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court.\*

Judge Butz 48, of Winter Haven, was recently appointed to the Polk County Court and from 1998 to 2014 practiced with Sharit, Bunn & Chilton, PA. She began her legal career in 1991 as assistant state attorney in the Tenth Judicial Circuit. Butz received her bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and her law degree from Florida State University. She fills a vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Charles B. Curry.

Governor Rick Scott said, "Kelly Butz has been a dedicated advocate for Florida families during her entire career. I know that she will serve with distinction and be a valuable addition to the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court."

**\*Hardee, Highlands, and Polk Counties**

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