

1 WHEREAS, the Chief Justice having determined that the need for a standing
2 designation order continues to exist and that it would be in the best interests of
3 judicial economy to amend the February 5, 2014, order to include the designation of
4 out-of-district judges when the minor child of a judge or employee of the Seventh
5 Judicial District Court is a party to case proceeding in the Seventh Judicial District
6 Court, and to provide an updated standing order for out-of-district designations for
7 cases filed in the Seventh Judicial District;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the February 5, 2014, order
9 designating out-of-district judges for cases wherein judicial employees of the
10 Seventh Judicial District Court are parties is superseded by this order;

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to the authority of the Chief
12 Justice under Article VI, Sections 3 and 15, of the Constitution of the State of New
13 Mexico, the Chief Judge of the Third Judicial District Court shall have the authority
14 to designate a sitting district judge from the Chief Judge's judicial district, in any
15 order of priority, to preside over any district court case filed in Sierra County when
16 automatic recusal is required under Rule 1-088(C) NMRA, Rule 5-105(C) NMRA,
17 or Rule 10-161(C) NMRA because a judge or employee of the Seventh Judicial
18 District Court is a party to the case; or, because a judge or employee's minor child
19 is a party to the case;

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chief Judge of the Twelfth Judicial
2 District Court shall have the authority to designate a sitting district judge from the
3 Chief Judge's judicial district, in any order of priority, to preside over any district
4 court case filed in Socorro or Catron County when a judge or employee of the
5 Seventh Judicial District Court, or the minor child thereof, is a party to the case;

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chief Judge of the Second Judicial
7 District Court shall have the authority to designate a sitting district judge from the
8 Chief Judge's judicial district, in any order of priority, to preside over any district
9 court case filed in Torrance County when a judge or employee of the Seventh
10 Judicial District Court, or minor child thereof, is a party to the case;

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Seventh Judicial District
12 Court shall notify the Chief Judge of the Second, Third, or Twelfth Judicial District
13 Court, as applicable, of the need for the designation of a judge to preside over a case
14 under the terms of this order if the parties to said case do not stipulate to a
15 replacement judge within the 10-day stipulation period in Rule 1-088(C), 5-105(C),
16 or 10-161(C) NMRA, as applicable;

17 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any judge designated under the terms of
18 this order may be reimbursed for mileage and per diem, provided that such costs are
19 paid directly by the Seventh Judicial District Court;

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if a case remains pending on the docket of
2 the Seventh Judicial District Court after the designated judge is no longer a sitting
3 district judge, the case shall be referred to the Chief Judge of the Second, Third, or
4 Twelfth Judicial District Court, as applicable, for a new designation under the terms
5 of this order;

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order does not affect or supersede the
7 standing designation order in effect for Seventh Judicial District Court cases
8 involving judicial employees, or their minor children, seeking relief under the
9 Family Violence Protection Act; and

10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall remain in full force and
11 effect until such time as it is modified or withdrawn by the Chief Justice of the
12 Supreme Court.

13 DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 26th day of June, 2023.

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17 C. Shannon Bacon, Chief Justice