

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 21-124 (State Attorney Executive Assignment)

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable HAROLD F. PRYOR, State Attorney for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, has advised Governor RON DESANTIS that Jessie Murphy has been arrested in case #21003358CF10A for fraudulent use of credit card, unlawful possession of another person's ID, burglary of an occupied dwelling, grand theft 3rd degree felony, fraudulent use of a credit card, unlawful possession of another person's ID, possessing, receiving, retaining stolen credit/debit card; case #21003304CF10A for grand theft auto, burglary of an occupied dwelling unarmed, criminal mischief <\$200; and case #2100617CF10A for grand theft auto and theft of ID. A complaint affidavit was also filed against Jessie Murphy for burglary of an unoccupied structure and unarmed burglary of an unoccupied structure; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable HAROLD F. PRYOR has also advised the Governor that a victim in one of the cases is a former employee of the state attorney's office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable HAROLD F. PRYOR, to avoid a conflict of interest or any appearance of impropriety, has voluntarily disqualified himself and has requested the executive assignment of another State Attorney with respect to the investigation and prosecution of these cases and all related matters; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable KATHERINE FERNANDEZ RUNDLE, State Attorney for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, has agreed to accept an executive assignment in this matter; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the State of Florida and of the ends of justice that the

Honorable KATHERINE FERNANDEZ RUNDLE discharge the duties of the Honorable HAROLD F. PRYOR 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, effective immediately:

Section 1. The Honorable KATHERINE FERNANDEZ RUNDLE, State Attorney for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, referred to as the “Assigned State Attorney,” is assigned to discharge the duties of the Honorable HAROLD F. PRYOR, State Attorney for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, as they relate to the investigation, prosecution, and all matters related to Jessie Murphy.

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 Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, and are vested with the authority to perform the duties prescribed herein.


Section 3. All residents of the Seventeenth 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 June 2, 2022.

Section 5. The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before May 2, 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 2nd day of June, 2021.

  
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RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

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