SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 25-368

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

PLAINTIFF

Order Delivered July 30, 2025

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE, NINETEENTH WEST JUDICIAL

CIRCUIT, BENTON COUNTY,

ARKANSAS

CASE NO. 04CV-25-1822

VS.

CHRIS BUFFER AND ASHLEY BUFFER, WIFE AND HUSBAND, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

GRANTED.

ORDER

Under the authority vested in the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arkansas by Act 496 of 1965 as amended, and Ark. Const. Amend. 80, and pursuant to the written request of the Benton County Circuit Clerk, the Hon. Mark Hewett (Bar #77063), Retired Circuit Judge, is hereby assigned to the 19th West Judicial Circuit to hear the following case:

Arkansas State Highway Commission v. Chris Buffer and Ashley Buffer, Wife & Husband; Shawn Sperry and Melinda Sperry, Wife & Husband; Roderick M. Grieve, in His Official Capacity as Benton County Tax Assessor; Gloria Spring Peterson, in Her Official Capacity as Benton County Tax Collector; Certain Lands being 23,612 square feet, more or less, in Benton County, Arkansas; and any Persons or Entities Claiming an Interest therein Benton County Circuit Court Case No. 04CV-25-1822

This assignment includes all ancillary proceedings which may arise in connection with said cause, and proceedings subsequent thereto shall be held at such time or times as shall be directed and ordered by Judge Hewett.

This order made and entered this 30th day of July 2025.

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Chief Justice

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