

# SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 26-052

IN RE JANUARY 22, 2026

Order Delivered January 21, 2026

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF  
JUDGE, ELEVENTH WEST  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SIXTH  
DIVISION, JEFFERSON COUNTY,  
ARKANSAS

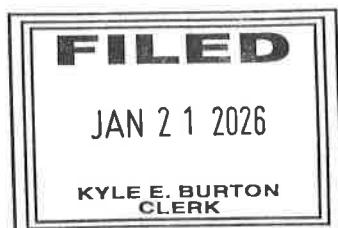
GRANTED.

## ORDER

Under Section 13C of Amendment 80 of the Arkansas Constitution, a special judge may be assigned if the Chief Justice shall determine “there is other need for a Special Judge to be temporarily appointed.” Therefore, 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 because the Chief Justice has determined there is “other need for a Special Judge to be temporarily appointed,” Judge Kathleen Bell, Retired Circuit Judge, is hereby assigned to the 11<sup>th</sup> West Judicial Circuit, 6<sup>th</sup> Division, to sit on the following date:

January 22, 2026

This order made and entered this 21st day of January 2026.



  
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Chief Justice