SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 25-328

IN RE CONFLICT CASES

Order Delivered July 5, 2025

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, INDEPENDENCE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, BATESVILLE DEPARTMENT, INDEPENDENCE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

GRANTED.

ORDER

Under the authority vested in the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arkansas by Act 496 of 1965, as amended, Amendment 80 of the Arkansas Constitution, and Section 1 of Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 16, as amended, and in response to the written request of the Independence County District Court Clerk, the Hon. Lance Wright, 13th Judicial District Court, Cleburne County and Stone County District Courts, is hereby assigned to the Independence County District Court, Batesville Department, to hear the following cases:

Larry & Brenda Sandage v. Scott Laferney – BAC-25-482 State of Arkansas v. Scott Laferney – BAC-25-500 State of Arkansas v. Christopher Blair Carter – BAC-25-318

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

The assignment of Judge Wright to the Independence County District Court, Batesville Department, entails only additional duties, and jurisdiction in the Cleburne County and Stone County District Courts, shall remain in Judge Wright to the same extent as though this assignment had not been made.

This order made and entered this 5th day of July 2025.

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KYLEE BURTON CLERK

Chief Justice