

**IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
OF FLORIDA**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2012-10**

**IN RE: APPOINTMENT OF CLERK AD INTERIM**

**WHEREAS**, in a letter dated May 12, 2012, Liberty County Clerk of Court Robert Hill irrevocably resigned his position and rendered it vacant effective the general election to be held November 6, 2012, and will therefore be unable to serve for the remainder of his term to January 8, 2013 when his replacement is sworn; and

**WHEREAS**, the duties of the office of Clerk of Court are of such a nature that public policy demands that there shall always, without intermission, be someone to discharge them in the interests of justice and to promote timely progression of judicial proceedings in this circuit (*Ellis v. Givens*, 48 Fla. 165, 37 So. 308, 311 [1904]); and

**WHEREAS**, section 28.09, Florida Statutes, provides the Chief Judge, as judge of that court with administrative authority, the power to temporarily appoint a Clerk ad Interim to assume all the responsibilities and perform all the duties of Clerk of Court during the vacancy; and

**WHEREAS**, Kathleen E. Brown is an experienced Chief Deputy Clerk, is eminently qualified, has been elected Clerk of Court without opposition, is scheduled to assume office on January 8, 2013, and has consented to be temporarily appointed to serve as Clerk ad Interim; therefore

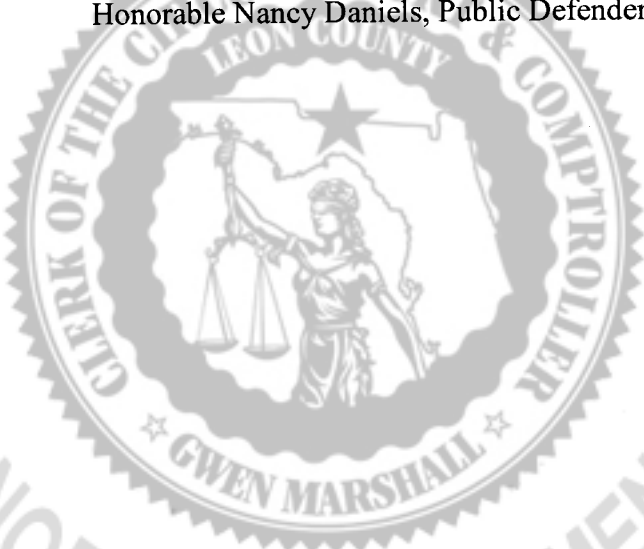
**IT IS ORDERED** that Kathleen E. Brown is hereby appointed Clerk ad Interim in and for Liberty County, Florida, commencing November 6, 2012 or as soon thereafter as authorized by law, and will continue as Clerk ad Interim until January 8, 2013. Kathleen E. Brown shall, upon oath, faithfully discharge and assume all the responsibilities and perform all the duties of the office of Clerk of Court in and for Liberty County, Florida, and she shall receive the same compensation for the time being as if she had been duly appointed to fill the office.

**DONE and ORDERED** in Leon County, on November 5, 2012.



**CHARLES A. FRANCIS**  
Chief Judge

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