

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-15

IN RE: COUNTY JUDGES AND CANVASSING BOARD ACTIVITIES

Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order AOSC20-32, Amendment 3, establishes a four-phase operational plan with scientifically developed benchmark criteria, standards, and protocols.

The counties of the Second Judicial Circuit are currently in Phase 2 of this plan, which authorizes limited in-person contact for certain purposes but requires use of protective measures to protect judges, personnel, and the public.

Chief judges are administrative officers of the courts, and shall implement policies for officers of the court within the circuit and require all judges of the court to comply with all administrative orders, as per rule 2.215(b)(2), Florida Rules of Judicial Administration.

County judges serve as chair of their respective canvassing boards as an official duty per section 102.141(1), Florida Statutes.

Chief judges have a responsibility to ensure the safety of all court personnel, including county judges, in the performance of their official duties.

It is therefore **ORDERED** that:

Canvassing board operations in the Second Judicial Circuit, no matter the location, shall comply with Florida Supreme Court protective measures. These protective measures include health screening, social distancing, and the use of properly worn face masks by all participants.

DONE and ORDERED in chambers in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this 27th day of October, 2020.



JONATHAN SJOSTROM
Chief Judge

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Canvassing Board Chairs, Second Judicial Circuit
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