

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR
DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 162013CF005781AXXXMA
DIVISION: CR-E

STATE OF FLORIDA

v.

DONALD JAMES SMITH
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ORDER APPOINTING COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL

The Defendant was previously adjudged insolvent, and the Office of the Public Defender was appointed to represent such Defendant. The Court having received an Order from the District Court of Appeal, First District directing the lower tribunal to appoint substitute counsel to represent Appellant/Defendant, in the direct appeal. Therefore, the Court is required to appoint a private attorney from the Fourth Judicial Circuit's Registry List as an alternative counsel for the Defendant.

This Court finds that:

1) Kate Bedell, Esq., (hereinafter, "Counsel") is available and has agreed to represent the Defendant in this case.

2) Counsel is a Florida Bar attorney in good standing and is practicing before this Court.

3) Currently, Counsel has executed a contract with the Justice Administrative Commission (JAC).

4) Counsel is listed on the Limited Registry List for the Fourth Judicial Circuit in the Criminal Division, which includes names of court-appointed attorneys who are authorized to serve in cases involving: Felony in the First, Second, and Third Degree; Felony Capital; Death; ROC; Felony Appeals and Misdemeanor cases.

Upon consideration thereof, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that:

A. The defense counsel who is currently representing the Defendant is permitted to withdraw as the attorney for the Defendant and is relieved of any further responsibility in this case, effective as of the date that this Order is signed.

B. Kate Bedell, Esq., who is an attorney listed on the Limited Registry List for the Fourth Judicial Circuit in the Criminal Division, is hereby appointed as counsel to represent the Defendant in this case, effective on the date that this Order is signed.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, in Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, on this 20 day of August, 2019.



MALLORY D. COOPER
CIRCUIT JUDGE

cc: The Honorable Mark H. Mahon, Chief Judge
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