

FLORIDA SUPREME COURT

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida has designated the undersigned Chief Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida to appoint a referee for the Court to preside in a disciplinary action brought by The Florida Bar pursuant to the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar,

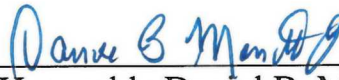
**IT IS ORDERED** that the Honorable Robert Hodges Marion Circuit Court Judge in and for the Fifth Judicial Circuit, State of Florida, is hereby designated and appointed as referee for the Florida Supreme Court, in the matter of:

The Florida Bar vs. Lora S. Scott,  
Supreme Court Case No. 21-190;

The Honorable Robert Hodges, as referee, is hereby vested with all and singular the powers and prerogatives conferred by the Constitution, laws of the State of Florida, and the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar, concerning a referee for the Supreme Court of Florida in this matter.

Online resources are available for judges serving as referees in proceedings involving disciplinary action against attorneys, and the unlicensed practice of law. The resources offered at [http://www.flcourts.org/gen\\_public/courted/bar-referee.shtml](http://www.flcourts.org/gen_public/courted/bar-referee.shtml) provide detailed information on the role of a Bar Referee in each of these proceedings and should be reviewed prior to handling this case.

**DONE and ORDERED** in Chambers, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021.



Honorable Daniel B. Merritt, Jr. Chief Judge

Copies provided to:  
Honorable Robert Hodges, Referee  
Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk, Supreme Court of Florida  
Ashley Taylor Morrison, Bar Counsel  
Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel  
Lora S. Scott, Respondent

Please note: Judge Hodges' address is:      Marion County Courthouse  
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