

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS**  
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA  
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March 10, 2021

John A. Tomasino, Clerk  
Supreme Court of Florida  
500 S. Duval Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1927

Dear Mr. Clerk:

THE FLORIDA BAR v. DOUGLAS JAMES BARNARD  
Supreme Court Case No. SC21-308

I transmit herewith the original Administrative Order (A-2021-017) appointing the Honorable Kim Hernandez Brennan as Referee in the above-referenced bar disciplinary action, entered today by Chief Judge Ronald Ficarrotta.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Robert T. Koehler, AACP  
Paralegal Specialist

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Enclosures: 1

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**IN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER A-2021-017**

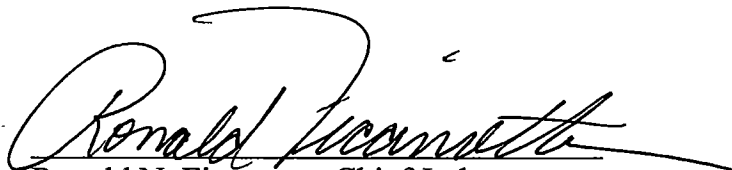
**APPOINTMENT OF THE HONORABLE KIM HERNANDEZ BRENNAN  
AS REFEREE IN BAR DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

The Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court has designated the chief judge of this circuit to appoint a referee to preside in a disciplinary action brought by The Florida Bar under Chapter 3 of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar. By the power vested in the chief judge under Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(2), the Honorable Kim Hernandez Brennan is appointed as referee in the matter of: *The Florida Bar v. Douglas James Barnard*, Supreme Court Case Number SC21-308.

The Honorable Kim Hernandez Brennan, as referee, is vested with all 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.

It is ORDERED in Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida, on this 10 day of March, 2021.

  
Ronald N. Ficarrotta, Chief Judge

Original to: John A. Tomasino, Clerk, Supreme Court  
Copies to: The Honorable Kim Hernandez Brennan  
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Douglas James Barnard, Respondent  
Katrina S. Brown, Bar Counsel

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