

# SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 25-266

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY  
COMMISSION

PLAINTIFF

VS.

ASHLEY J. AND CHRIS BUFFER, WIFE  
AND HUSBAND, ET AL.

DEFENDANTS

Order Delivered June 3, 2025

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF  
JUDGE, NINETEENTH WEST JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT, BENTON COUNTY,  
ARKANSAS  
CASE NO. 04CV-25-1372

GRANTED.

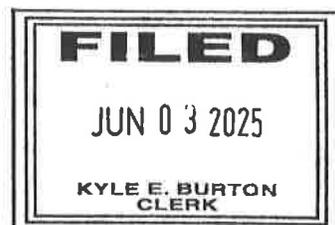
## ORDER

Under the authority vested in the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arkansas by Act 496 of 1965 as amended, and Ark. Const. Amend. 80, and pursuant to the written request of the Benton County Circuit Clerk, the Hon. James Cox (Bar #77035), Retired Circuit Judge, is hereby assigned to the 19<sup>th</sup> West Judicial Circuit to hear the following case:

*Arkansas State Highway Commission v. Ashley J. & Chris Buffer, Wife & Husband; Melinda L. & Shawn Sperry, Wife & Husband; Roderick M. Grieve, in His Official Capacity as Benton County Tax Assessor; Gloria Spring Peterson, in Her Official Capacity as Benton County Tax Collector; Certain Lands being 18,934 square feet, more or less, in Benton County, Arkansas; and any Persons or Entities Claiming an Interest therein*  
Benton County Circuit Court Case No. 04CV-25-1372

This assignment includes all ancillary proceedings which may arise in connection with said cause, and proceedings subsequent thereto shall be held at such time or times as shall be directed and ordered by Judge Cox.

This order made and entered this 3rd day of June 2025.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karen R. Baker".

Chief Justice