

SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 26-364

IN RE CONFLICT CASES

Order Delivered June 16, 2026

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF
JUDGE, FORTY-FIRST JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT, GARLAND
COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, HOT
SPRINGS DEPARTMENT, GARLAND
COUNTY, ARKANSAS

GRANTED.

ORDER

Under the authority vested in the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Arkansas by Act 496 of 1965, as amended, Amendment 80 of the Arkansas Constitution, and Section 1 of Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 16, as amended, and in response to the written request of the Garland County District Court Clerk, the Hon. Milas H. “Butch” Hale, 31st Judicial District Court, Sherwood District Court, is hereby assigned to the Garland County District Court, Hot Springs Department, to hear the following case:

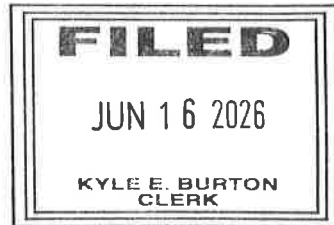
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This assignment includes all ancillary proceedings which may arise in connection with said cause, and proceedings subsequent thereto shall be held at such time or times as shall be directed and ordered by Judge Hale.

The assignment of Judge Hale to the Garland County District Court, Hot Springs

Department, entails only additional duties, and jurisdiction in the Sherwood District Court, shall remain in Judge Hale to the same extent as though this assignment had not been made.

This order made and entered this 16th day of June 2026.



Karen R Baker

Chief Justice