## SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 24-061

STATE OF ARKANSAS

VS.

Order Delivered January 29, 2024

**PLAINTIFF** 

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, INDEPENDENCE

COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, BATESVILLE DEPARTMENT,

INDEPENDENCE COUNTY,

ARKANSAS

CASE NO. BAS-24-68

ROY EDWARD THOMAS

DEFENDANT

GRANTED.

## **ORDER**

Under Section 13C of Amendment 80 of the Arkansas Constitution, a special judge may be assigned if the Chief Justice shall determine "there is other need for a Special Judge to be temporarily appointed." Therefore, 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 because the Chief Justice has determined there is "other need for a Special Judge to be temporarily appointed," Hon. Ralph Wilson, is hereby assigned to the Independence County District Court, Batesville Department, to hear the following case:

State of Arkansas v. Roy Edward Thomas - BAS-24-68

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 Wilson.

This order made and intended this 29th day of January 2024.

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KYLE E. BURTON

Chief Justice