

# SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 26-019

IN RE CONFLICT CASES

Order Delivered January 6, 2026

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE,  
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT,  
SEBASTIAN COUNTY DISTRICT  
COURT, FORT SMITH DEPARTMENT,  
SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS

GRANTED.

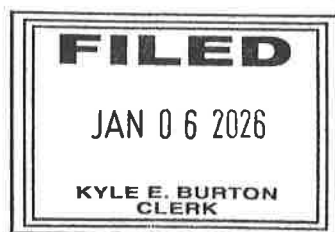
## ORDER

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 Sebastian County District Court Clerk, the Hon. Charles Baker, Retired District Court Judge, is hereby assigned to the Sebastian County District Court, Fort Smith Department, to hear the following case:

*State of Arkansas v. Joel Wheeler* – 25-5001983

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

This order made and entered this 6th day of January 2026.



  
Chief Justice