

SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. 26-022

IN RE CONFLICT CASES

Order Delivered January 8, 2026

MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE,
TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT, CRITTENDEN COUNTY
DISTRICT COURT, WEST MEMPHIS
DEPARTMENT, CRITTENDEN
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 Crittenden County District Court Clerk, the Hon. Mike Smith, 25th Judicial District Court, Cross County and St. Francis County District Courts, is hereby assigned to the Crittenden County District Court, West Memphis Department, to hear the following case:

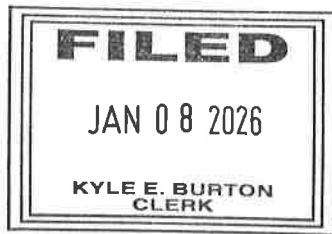
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This assignment includes all ancillary proceedings which may arise in connection with said causes, and proceedings subsequent thereto shall be held at such time or times as shall be directed and ordered by Judge Smith.

The assignment of Judge Smith to the Crittenden County District Court, West

Memphis Department, entails only additional duties, and jurisdiction in the Cross County and St. Francis County District Courts, shall remain in Judge Smith to the same extent as though this assignment had not been made.

This order made and entered this 8th day of January 2026.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kurt Baker", written over a horizontal line.
Chief Justice