

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2026-23**

**IN RE: AMENDED MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
PAIRING ASSIGNMENT PLAN FOR  
MIAMI, FORT LAUDERDALE, WEST PALM  
BEACH, FORT PIERCE, AND KEY WEST**

FILED BY <u>NC</u> D.C.
Apr 3, 2026
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The Magistrate Judge Pairing Assignment Plan in the Southern District of Florida is set forth in Administrative Orders 2020-45, 2020-45A, 2020-45B, 2020-91, 2021-53, 2022-6, 2022-6A, 2022-47, 2022-67, 2022-79, 2023-9, 2023-81, 2024-23, 2024-23A, 2024-69, 2024-86, 2025-52, 2025-52A, 2025-64, and 2026-4. Accordingly, it is

**ORDERED** that effective April 3, 2026, Magistrate Judge Pairings shall be as follows:

	<b><u>Paired Magistrate Judges</u></b>				
<b><u>District Judges</u></b>	<b><u>MIA</u></b>	<b><u>FTL</u></b>	<b><u>WPB</u></b>	<b><u>FTP</u></b>	<b><u>KW*</u></b>
Altonaga	Reid	Strauss	Reinhart	Maynard	Reid
Moore	Elfenbein (Civil) D'Angelo (Criminal)	Strauss	Reinhart	McCabe (Civil) Maynard (Criminal)	Elfenbein (Civil) D'Angelo (Criminal)
Martinez	Sanchez	Strauss	Matthewman	Maynard	Sanchez
Williams	Lett	Hunt	Maynard	Maynard	Lett
Gayles	Shaw-Wilder	Augustin- Birch	Matthewman	Maynard	Shaw-Wilder
Bloom	Elfenbein	Hunt	McCabe	Maynard	Elfenbein
Altman	Hernandez	Strauss	McCabe	Maynard	Hernandez
Ruiz	Louis	Augustin- Birch	Reinhart	Maynard	Louis
Becerra	Torres	Strauss	McCabe	Maynard	Torres
Moreno	D'Angelo	Augustin- Birch	Matthewman	Maynard	D'Angelo
Graham	Louis	Hunt	McCabe	McCabe (Civil) Maynard (Criminal)	Louis

Lenard	Elfenbein	Strauss	Reinhart	Maynard	Elfenbein
Huck	Louis	Strauss	McCabe	Maynard	Louis

	<u>Paired Magistrate Judges</u>				
<u>District Judges</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>FTL</u>	<u>WPB</u>	<u>FTP</u>	<u>KW*</u>
Dimitrouleas	D'Angelo	Hunt	Matthewman	Maynard	D'Angelo
Smith	Hunt	Hunt	Reinhart	Maynard	Hunt
Singhal	Strauss	Strauss	Maynard	Maynard	Strauss
Leibowitz	Hernandez	Augustin-Birch	McCabe	Maynard	Hernandez
Damian	D'Angelo	Strauss	Matthewman	Maynard	D'Angelo
Cohn	Strauss	Strauss	McCabe	Maynard	Strauss

	<u>Paired Magistrate Judges</u>				
<u>District Judges</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>FTL</u>	<u>WPB</u>	<u>FTP</u>	<u>KW*</u>
Middlebrooks	Torres	Augustin-Birch	Matthewman	Maynard	Torres
Artau	Reid	Augustin-Birch	Reinhart	Maynard	Reid
Marra	Torres	Strauss	Reinhart (Civil) McCabe (Criminal)	McCabe	Torres

	<u>Paired Magistrate Judges</u>				
<u>District Judges</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>FTL</u>	<u>WPB</u>	<u>FTP</u>	<u>KW*</u>
Cannon	Sanchez	Strauss	McCabe	Maynard	Sanchez

It is further **ORDERED** as follows:

All previously referred matters shall be handled by the Magistrate Judge to whom the matter was referred unless otherwise ordered by the District Judge.

All recusals by Magistrate Judges in Miami shall continue to be handled by random and blind assignment to another Magistrate Judge from Miami. If all Miami Magistrate Judges recuse, then random and blind assignment shall be to a Fort Lauderdale Magistrate Judge. If all Miami

and Fort Lauderdale Magistrate Judges recuse, then random and blind assignment shall be to a West Palm Beach Magistrate Judge.

This amended Magistrate Judge Pairing Assignment Plan shall remain in effect until further order.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Miami, Florida, this 3rd day of April 2026.

  
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**CECILIA M. ALTONAGA**  
**CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

\* Magistrate Judge Snow is assigned all Key West criminal matters.

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