

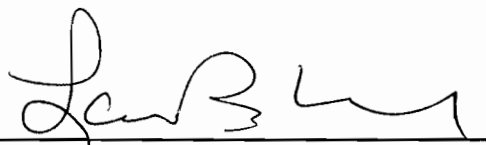
IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
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COUNTY OF HORRY )

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

It has come to my attention that the local newspaper has inexplicably and incorrectly reported that I have unilaterally changed the venue of all cases affected by my administrative order dated March 14, 2016. So that there can be no misunderstanding of this court's actions, I find it necessary to issue this order. No case affected by my previous order recusing the 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office is or shall be removed from its proper venue in Horry County. Any motions filed in such cases seeking change of venue will be heard by me after proper notice to all parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

April 11, 2016  
Conway, SC



Larry B. Hyman, Jr.  
Administrative Judge for General Sessions

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IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
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COUNTY OF HORRY )

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) **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**  
) **RECUSING 15<sup>th</sup> CIRCUIT**  
) **SOLICITOR'S OFFICE**

It has come to the court's attention that Assistant Solicitor Chris Helms previously represented an unknown number of defendants whose cases are still pending in the 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit. Concern has been raised that Mr. Helms may be privy to confidential information given to him while representing these defendants. The court has received no information that Mr. Helms has divulged confidential information and makes no such finding. However, out of an abundance of caution and to avoid even the appearance of any possible impropriety, I will recuse the 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office from the prosecution of any case involving Mr. Helms' prior clients where the penalty involves the possibility of a life sentence or the death penalty. I reserve the right to further recuse the 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office on other cases involving Mr. Helms' prior clients upon motion of defendant or his or her present attorney.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

March 14, 2016  
Conway, SC



Larry B. Hyman, Jr.

Administrative Judge for General Sessions

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