

# 2025 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #6

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF FAYETTE COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA, FAYETTE COUNTY  
FILED AND RECORDED THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF  
December 21 AT 3:45 P.M

**ORDER TO APPOINT CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE**  
**For the term of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2028**

*[Signature]* CLERK *[Signature]*

WHEREAS, pursuant to local legislation, the Chief Superior Court Judge of the Griffin Judicial Circuit is vested with the authority to appoint the Chief Magistrate Judge for the Fayette County Magistrate Court from the elected Magistrates of Fayette County; and

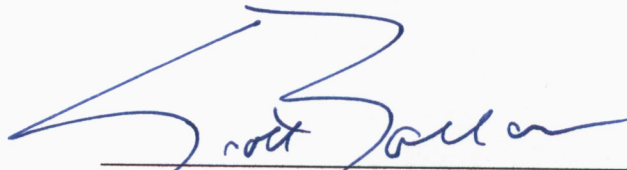
WHEREAS, the current term of office for the Chief Magistrate Court Judge expires on December 31, 2024 making it necessary to appoint the Chief Magistrate Court Judge for the term set to begin on January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Ruppenthal currently serves as the Chief Magistrate Court Judge and has chosen not to serve the following term as Chief Magistrate which is set to begin on January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Christy Dunkelberger, a current Fayette County Magistrate Judge, is willing to serve as Chief Magistrate Court Judge and is considered to be a fit and proper person to serve in such role;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that Christy Dunkelberger is hereby APPOINTED to serve in the position of CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE for Fayette County, Georgia for the term of office for January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2028 with all rights, privileges duties and obligations hereto.

So ORDERED this 9 day of December 2024.



**HONORABLE SCOTT L. BALLARD**  
Chief Superior Court Judge  
Griffin Judicial Circuit, Georgia