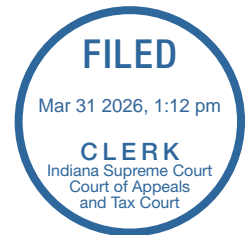


In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of the Appointment of a
Judge Pro Tempore in the Hendricks
Circuit Court

Supreme Court Case No.
26S-MS-97



Order Appointing Judge Pro Tempore

The Honorable Daniel F. Zielinski, Judge of the Hendricks Circuit Court, has notified this Court that he is taking a leave of absence. Senior Judge Robert W. Freese has expressed willingness to serve as Judge Pro Tempore beginning on April 1, 2026.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that pursuant to Indiana Trial Rule 63, Senior Judge Freese is appointed Judge Pro Tempore in the Hendricks Circuit Court, effective April 1, and shall remain as Judge Pro Tempore until further order of this Court.

This Order shall be sufficient authority for Senior Judge Freese to continue the employment of court personnel and otherwise discharge the duties of Judge of the Hendricks Circuit Court until further order of this Court. Senior Judge Freese shall be entitled to compensation for his service, paid by the State of Indiana, computed at the same rate as the regular judge commencing from the effective date of his appointment, pursuant to Trial Rule 63(D).

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 3/31/2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loretta H. Rush".

Loretta H. Rush
Chief Justice of Indiana