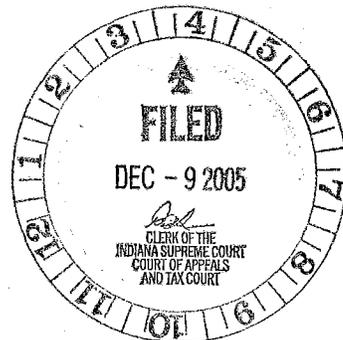


In the
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ELKHART SUPERIOR COURT)

Case No. 20S00-⁰⁵¹²-MS-641

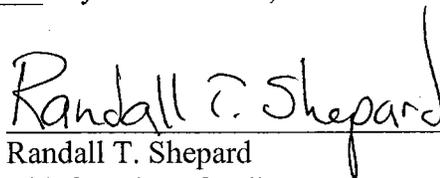
ORDER APPOINTING JUDGE PRO TEMPORE

This Court has been advised of the need for the appointment of a Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Elkhart Superior Court No. 2 because the Hon. Stephen E. Platt, Judge of the Elkhart Superior Court No. 2, is currently unable to perform the duties of his office due to medical reasons. Accordingly, we find that in the interests of continuing the orderly administration of justice and pursuant to Ind.Trial Rule 63(B), a Judge *Pro Tempore* should be appointed to discharge temporarily the duties of that office. Further, this Court has been advised that the Hon. William C. Whitman, a Senior Judge, is willing to serve as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Elkhart Superior Court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Hon. William C. Whitman, is appointed as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Elkhart Superior Court No. 2, effective January 17, 2006, until March 31, 2006, or until further order of this Court. This order shall be sufficient authority for Judge Whitman to continue the employment of court personnel and otherwise discharge the duties of Judge of the Elkhart Superior Court No. 2. Judge Whitman shall be entitled to compensation for this 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 T.R. 63(D).

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Elkhart Superior Court, who is directed to enter this Order into the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Hon. Stephen E. Platt, Elkhart Superior Court, 315 South Second Street, Elkhart, IN 46516-3138; to the Hon. William C. Whitman, 61444 Ironwood Road, South Bend, IN 46614; to the Division of State Court Administration, payroll department; and to the Indiana Judicial Center.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this ^{9th} day of December, 2005.


Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana

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