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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
INVESTITURE OF CIRCUIT JUDGE JEREMIAH M. HAWKES

Who: Circuit Judge Jeremiah M. Hawkes

What: Investiture of Circuit Judge Jeremiah M. Hawkes

Where: Leon County Courthouse, Courtroom 2-E, 301 South Monroe Street,
Tallahassee

When: Friday, February 13, 2026 at 3:00pm

Jeremiah M. Hawkes was appointed to the circuit bench by Governor Ron DeSantis on November 15, 2025, to fill a newly created 17th position to the Second Judicial Court. His investiture will be held Friday, February 13, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. (EDT) in the Leon County Courthouse, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida, 32301.

Judge Hawkes has now served all branches of the state of Florida. After starting his career as an assistant state attorney for the Second Judicial Circuit, he was the General Counsel for Speaker Marco Rubio in the Florida House. For nine years, Judge Hawkes supported Sheriff Chris Nocco and the Pasco County Sheriff's Office in a civilian role as general counsel and bureau chief. Judge Hawkes returned to Tallahassee as general counsel for the Florida Senate in 2018 for Senate President Galvano. Most recently,

Judge Hawkes represented motor vehicle dealerships at Bass Sox Mercer. This experience developed an appreciation for the work involved in private practice as well as the stakes facing clients.

Both Jeremiah and his brother Joshua Hawkes are serving as judges on the Second Judicial Circuit. Judge Jeremiah Hawkes loves his wife, Holly, and their three children, Ezekiel, Verity and Phineas. They belong to Center Point Church.

He is a double Seminole, getting both his undergraduate degree and law degree from Florida State University.

