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Circuit Judge Dawn D. Nichols to be formally sworn in on March 28

Circuit Judge Dawn D. Nichols, the newest jurist in the Seventh Judicial Circuit, will have her investiture on Friday, March 28.

This formal swearing-in ceremony will take place 3 p.m. at the Museum of Arts & Sciences, 352 S. Nova Rd., Daytona Beach.

This is a judicial proceeding and the Circuit judges will be sitting *en banc*.

Judge Nichols was appointed by Gov. Rick Scott in January to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Hubert L. Grimes. She began her work in late February, presiding over family law cases at the Volusia County Courthouse in DeLand.

A native of Orlando, Judge Nichols has been an attorney since 1991. She graduated from Edgewater High School in Orlando and earned both a bachelor's degree and a juris doctor from the University of Florida. She began her career with the Public Defender's Office in the 7th Judicial Circuit. She then went into private practice, working for two years with Rice & Rose, P.A. and then established her own private practice in 1996. She is board certified in Marital and Family Law.

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