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**Changes in Seventh Judicial Circuit to bring new faces to the bench**

**DAYTONA BEACH** – You may notice a few new names and faces at the Seventh Judicial Circuit courthouses these days. By early 2011 there will be a few more. Retirements and other resignations have led to seven vacancies. Two positions already have been filled by the appointments of Circuit Judge Terence R. Perkins and Volusia County Court Judge-Designate Bryan A. Feigenbaum. Two more appointments are expected to be made within the next few months. Three circuit judge positions will be determined by the upcoming election.

“This is an interesting time for the Circuit. We are losing a number of experienced judges to retirement, ones who have served the residents in this area for decades,” said Chief Judge J. David Walsh. “At the same time, we look forward to the expertise and fresh perspective this new group of judges brings to the bench.”

Perkins began work June 7. Governor Crist appointed Perkins, who was in private practice as a civil attorney in Daytona Beach, to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Circuit Judge John V. Doyle. He is hearing civil cases at the Volusia County Courthouse in DeLand.

Governor Crist appointed Feigenbaum to the Volusia County Court bench in May because of the retirement of Volusia County Court Judge John Roger Smith. A 20-year veteran of the State Attorney’s Office, Feigenbaum will be assigned to a civil division at the Courthouse Annex at City Island in Daytona Beach when he starts July 1. Volusia County Court Judge Mary Jane Henderson will take over the civil division Smith previously presided over at the Volusia County Courthouse in DeLand.

“Judge Henderson graciously offered to transfer to DeLand to allow Judge-Designate Feigenbaum to serve in Daytona Beach. Judge Feigenbaum then will be in the same courthouse as

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his judicial mentor and another judge who hears civil cases. This will assist him in his transition to the bench. I know that he will have strong support from the judges in Daytona Beach, as well as the others in DeLand and New Smyrna Beach,” Walsh said.

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