

**STATE OF FLORIDA
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

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Circuit Judge Carlos E. Mendoza to be invested Oct. 7

WHO: Circuit Judge Carlos E. Mendoza

WHAT: Will be formally sworn in as a circuit judge during an investiture ceremony.

WHEN: 4 p.m., Friday, Oct. 7

WHERE: Auditorium at St. Johns River State College, 5001 St. Johns Ave., Palatka

WHY: Mendoza was appointed to the circuit court by Gov. Rick Scott in July to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Circuit Judge Julianne Piggotte. Before his appointment, he was an assistant city attorney for the City of St. Augustine and an assistant state attorney in the Seventh Judicial Circuit. Mendoza spent eight years as a Judge Advocate in the U.S. Navy in Norfolk, Va., and also worked as a special assistant U.S. Attorney in Virginia. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve from 1989 to 1995 and was deployed to serve in Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm. Mendoza earned both his undergraduate and law degrees from West Virginia University. He currently hears criminal and civil cases in Palatka.

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