



ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

For the 5th Judicial District of Colorado

CLEAR CREEK COUNTY – EAGLE COUNTY – LAKE COUNTY – SUMMIT COUNTY

APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING CHIEF JUDGE

Effective: February 1, 2026

Expiration: December 31, 2026

Order Number: 26-8

This Order supersedes 5th Judicial District Chief Judge Order 1.2.2 issued on February 7, 2022 of the same title.

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Directive 95-01, as Amended January 2025, authorizes the Chief Judge to appoint an Acting Chief Judge during any absences of the Chief Judge;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that District Court Judge Karen Romeo shall act as Chief Judge during any absence of Chief Judge Dunkelman.

THIS DELEGATION to act as Chief Judge does not include the authority to make or change policy.

THIS DELEGATION to act as Chief Judge does authorize Judge Romeo to reassign cases upon the recusal of Chief Judge Dunkelman as provided by Chief Judge Order 2026-7.

SO ORDERED this 1st day of February, 2026.

BY THE COURT:

Paul R. Dunkelman
Chief District Judge, 5th Judicial District