IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SPECIAL ORDER NO.: 2022-05

SUBJECT: Assignment of Judge

The Executive Committee of the Circuit Court of Cook County having been convened by Chief Judge Timothy C. Evans, Judge William B. Raines having appeared with counsel and having expressed contrition, and the following findings having been made:

On or about January 11, 2022, Judge William B. Raines made comments, while on the bench in his courtroom, to courtroom personnel, an assistant public defender, and assistant state's attorneys, which were likely a violation of the Illinois Code of Judicial Conduct;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, pursuant to Ill. S. Ct. R. 63(B)(3)(a), this matter shall be referred to the Judicial Inquiry Board;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Judge Raines receive sensitivity training and gender bias counseling designed to address and remedy the alleged conduct;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Presiding Judge Sophia H. Hall, Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Justice and Child Protection Resource Section, will monitor and mentor Judge Raines and report to the Executive Committee within 90 (ninety) days of the entry of this order on the status of the training and counseling ordered herein; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to Ill. S. Ct. R. 56 (eff. Dec. 1, 2008), to promote public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of the judiciary and because Judge Raines has been publicly implicated in conduct which would likely constitute impropriety or an appearance of impropriety which threatens irreparable injury to the public, to the judicial branch of government, or to the orderly administration of justice, until further order of the court, Judge

Raines is hereby assigned to restricted duties or duties other than judicial duties in the office of the Presiding Judge of the First Municipal District.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2022.

ENTER:

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IRIS MARTINEZ
CLERK OF THE GIRCUIT COURT
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DEPUTY CLERK

For the Executive Committee
Timothy C. Evans
Chief Judge