ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE

OF THE

CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE NO. 2012-1

APPOINTMENT OF SITTING JUDGE WITH REGARD TO CIVIL PROCEEDINGS

This $\underline{15^{th}}$ day of February, 2012, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED pursuant to 10 Del. C. $\int 1302(d)$, the authority being vested in the Presiding Judge as the administrative head of the Court during the term of his or her appointment;

AND APPEARING THAT:

- I. It would be beneficial to the Court to appoint a sitting Judge to oversee the civil caseload in New Castle County and provide direct input to the Chief Judge of this Court for the following reasons, including, but not limited to:
 - Ensuring compliance with existing civil procedures, Civil Rules, and State
 Civil statutes;
 - Advising the Civil Clerks on questions of civil law and assisting personnel in deciding legal issues pending in the Clerk's office to the public and counsel;
 - c. Answering Civil Office Judge questions, other than the "normal" civil office judicial functions assigned to judicial colleagues done on a weekly rotation by the Office Judge.
 - d. Meeting with the Chief Civil Clerk on an as-needed basis to discuss scheduling and other issues.

e. Providing feedback to the Chief Judge regarding civil matters as needed.

IT IS THEREFORE DIRECTED THAT:

- I. Judge Eric M. Davis is appointed to this position for a period of one (1) year from the date of this Order.
- II. This Administrative Directive shall only apply to the New Castle County CivilDivision of the Court of Common Pleas.

This Directive is effective February 15, 2012.

BY THE CHIEF JUDGE

/s/ Alex J. Smalls_____

cc: New Castle County Judges

AD2012-1 Civil Division Appointment 2/15/2012