



## Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida

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### **PRESS RELEASE**

## **THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. ROUNDTREE, JR. RE-ELECTED AS CHIEF JUDGE**



ALACHUA COUNTY, FL - The Honorable Robert E. Roundtree, Jr. was unanimously re-elected as Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2015. Judge Roundtree has served as Chief Judge of the Eighth Circuit since April, 2012.

The Chief Judge serves as the administrative officer of the court, and works closely with the Trial Court Administrator to develop and implement local court policy and procedure. The Chief Judge is also responsible for overseeing the assignment of judges to divisions, and represents the judiciary at both the local and state level on a number of committees and workgroups.

Chief Judge Roundtree was appointed to the Eighth Judicial Circuit bench in 2002, served as Administrative Judge of the Circuit Civil division in 2010, and is currently the vice chair of the State Trial Court Budget Commission. Since his appointment to the bench, Chief Judge Roundtree has presided over family, dependency, delinquency, civil, probate, and guardianship cases throughout the circuit.

Chief Judge Roundtree graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Building Construction from the University of Florida in 1975, and received his Juris Doctor from the Florida State University College of Law in 1979. Before being appointed to the bench, Chief Judge Roundtree worked as a law clerk for the First District Court of Appeal in Tallahassee and as a civil attorney in Gainesville for 20 years.