In the
Indiana Supreme Court

IN THE MATTER OF	)	
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THE APPOINTMENT OF	)	
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SCOTT R. BOWERS	)	
	)	Cause No.
AS SENIOR JUDGE IN THE	)	82S00-1201-MS-22
	)	
VANDERBURGH SUPERIOR COURTS	)	

ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGE

The Judges of the Vanderburgh Superior Courts have requested the appointment of Senior Judge Scott R. Bowers for service in 2012, pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-1.

This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that the Vanderburgh Superior Court Judges have demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources. Senior Judge Bowers has been certified as a senior judge by the Judicial Nominating Commission pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later date in light of other circumstances, and make adjustments accordingly.

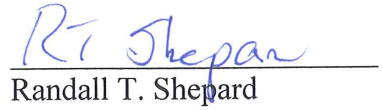
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Scott R. Bowers is appointed, retroactive to January 1, 2012, to serve in the Vanderburgh Superior Courts at the discretion of the Judges of the Courts. This appointment shall remain in effect until **December 31, 2012**. Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-5, the senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order may not be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the aggregate during the 2010 calendar year. Further, Judge Bowers shall not be eligible for reimbursement of mileage in excess of $100.00 per trip, or lodging expenses.

The appointment is contingent upon senior judge day limits established by this Court through separate Orders, and **it shall be incumbent upon the presiding judges of the courts to ensure that their courts comply with the Orders setting senior judge day limits.** Pursuant to Admin. R. 5(B)(4) a senior judge shall have the same jurisdiction as the presiding judge of the court where the senior judge is appointed, but only during the days that the senior judge is serving in such court. Additionally, Admin. R. 5(B)(4) provides that a senior judge who has been appointed to serve in a court shall have the same jurisdiction as the regular judge of the court where he is serving to officiate at marriages at any time during the appointment. A senior judge may retain jurisdiction in an individual case beyond the day of service if the order of the presiding judge of the court in which the case is pending so orders.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the Honorable David D. Kiely, Vanderburgh Superior Court, 825 Sycamore, #120, Evansville, IN 47708-1885; the Honorable Mary Margaret Lloyd, Vanderburgh Superior Court, 825 Sycamore, #218, Evansville, IN 47708-1885; the Honorable Brett J. Niemeier, Vanderburgh Superior Court, 825 Sycamore, #126, Evansville, IN 47708-1885; the Honorable Robert J. Pigman, Vanderburgh Superior Court, 825 Sycamore, #122, Evansville, IN 47708-1885; the Honorable Robert J. Tornatta, Vanderburgh Superior Court, 825 Sycamore, #225, Evansville, IN 47708-1885; the Honorable Wayne S. Trockman, Vanderburgh Superior Court, 825 Sycamore, #116, Evansville, IN 47708-1885, the Honorable Richard G. D'Amour, Vanderburgh Circuit Court, 825 Sycamore, #218, Evansville, IN 47708-1885; the Honorable Scott R. Bowers; to the clerk of the Clerk of the Vanderburgh Circuit and Superior Courts; the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order to the Court's website.

The clerk of the Vanderburgh Circuit and Superior Courts is directed: 1) to distribute a copy of this order to the presiding judges of each Vanderburgh Superior Court, 2) to enter this Order in the Record of Judgments and Orders of the courts, and 3) to post this Order for public inspection.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this 13th day of January, 2012.



Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana