

# In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of the Appointment of a  
Judge Pro Tempore in the Montgomery  
Superior Court 1

Supreme Court Case No.  
23S-MS-354



## Order Appointing Judge Pro Tempore

Judge Heather L. Barajas of Montgomery Superior Court 1 has notified this Court that she will begin a medical leave of absence effective December 11, 2023. Senior Judge John Baker has expressed willingness to serve as Judge Pro Tempore in Montgomery Superior Court 1 beginning on December 11, 2023.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that pursuant to Indiana Trial Rule 63, Senior Judge John Baker is appointed Judge Pro Tempore in Montgomery Superior Court 1, effective December 11, 2023, and shall remain as Judge Pro Tempore until further order of this Court.

This Order shall be sufficient authority for Senior Judge Baker to continue the employment of court personnel and otherwise discharge the duties of Judge of Montgomery Superior Court 1 until further order of this Court. Senior Judge Baker shall be entitled to compensation for his service, paid by the State of Indiana, computed at the same rate as the regular judge commencing from the effective date of his appointment, pursuant to Trial Rule 63(D).

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 12/7/2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loretta H. Rush".

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Loretta H. Rush  
Chief Justice of Indiana