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Seventh Judicial Circuit Judge Patti A. Christensen has announced her intent to retire effective December 31, 2020. In a letter addressed to Governor Ron DeSantis, Judge Christensen stated: "It has been my honor and privilege to serve the people of the Seventh Circuit..."

Judge Christensen joined the Court in 2000 upon being appointed as a St. Johns County Court Judge by former Governor Jeb Bush. She faced elections in 2002 and 2008 before being appointed as a Circuit Judge in 2010 by former Governor Charlie Crist. She was elected to that post in 2012 and re-elected in 2018. Judge Christensen is currently assigned to a civil and probate division in Putnam County. Prior to joining the Court, Judge Christensen was in private practice in St. Augustine for 18 years.

Upon learning of Judge Christensen's retirement, Chief Judge Raul Zambrano stated: "Judge Christensen has been a valued colleague and an asset to our court. She has served the people of the circuit well and we will miss her."

Judge Christensen's replacement will be appointed by Governor DeSantis. The 7th Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission has begun the process of soliciting applicants for the position.

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