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CHIEF JUDGE'S STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF AUDREY NIXON



Chief Judge Jorge L. Ortiz of the 19th Judicial Circuit reacted to the news of the passing of long-time Lake County Board Member, Audrey Nixon. Ms. Nixon served the people of Lake County on its Board of Commissioners since 1982.

She was a member for all of her tenure on the Law and Judicial Committee for the Board, much of it as its Chair, and in that capacity worked closely with Lake County's judges. She was an active member of many organizations, and was known for her cordial manner and mediatory style.

"Lake County lost a true champion for justice today. Audrey Nixon served not only Lake County Board District 14, but all of Lake County as a passionate advocate for fairness, equality, as well as civility in our public discourse. She was a staunch supporter of our court, and, especially, our Veteran's, Mental Health and Drug Specialty Courts. Mrs. Nixon regularly implored the county's justice partners to work together in the best interest of the people of Lake County. There is no better way to honor her memory than to heed her call. On behalf of the entire 19th Judicial Circuit, I extend my deepest condolences to Audrey's family. She will be greatly missed, and never forgotten by Lake County's judges."

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