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**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
In The Supreme Court**

Edward D. and Tammy D., Respondents,

v.

Baby Girl B., a minor under the age of 14 years; South
Carolina Department of Social Services; and Andrew
J.M., Defendants,

Of Whom Andrew J. M. is Appellant.

And,

South Carolina Department of Social Services,
Respondent,

v.

Erica S. and Andrew J. M., Defendants,

Of Whom Andrew J.M. is Appellant.

In the Interests of: Baby Girl B. (DOB: 05/15/13), a
minor under the age of 14 years,

Intervenors: Eric P. and Sherry P., Respondents.

Appellate Case No. 2014-002333

Appeal from York County
David G. Guyton, Family Court Judge

Memorandum Opinion No. 2015-MO-021
Heard April 21, 2015 – Filed April 23, 2015

VACATED AND REMANDED

Melinda Inman Butler, of Butler Law Firm, LLC, of Union, for Appellant.

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Krystal L. Orr, of Rock Hill, for Guardian *ad Litem*.

PER CURIAM: This is an appeal from an order of the family court. A merits hearing was held on July 31, 2014; however, the family court's order deciding the matters raised during that hearing was not issued until October 7, 2014.

On August 8, 2014, Chief Justice Toal issued an administrative order vesting in a different family court judge the exclusive jurisdiction to "decide all matters pertaining to these cases, including any pending motions which may have been raised in prior hearings before another judge." In light of the Chief Justice's August 8, 2014 administrative order, we are constrained to vacate the October 7, 2014 order of the family court.

VACATED AND REMANDED.

TOAL, C.J., PLEICONES, BEATTY, KITTREDGE and HEARN, JJ., concur