## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

## IN THE MATTER OF THE REASSIGNMENT OF COGNATE CASES

Administrative Order No. 23-CA-082

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of Magistrate Judge Phillip J. Green, the Court has determined that the case *Jeffrey D. Runels v. Bart Bennett, et al.*, Case No. 1:23-cv-0254, which is assigned to the Honorable Paul L. Maloney, is cognate to *Jeffrey D. Runels v. Ray P. Statler, et al.*, Case No. 1:23-cv-0253, which is assigned to the Honorable Robert Jonker;

WHEREAS the Judges Maloney and Jonker have consented to the reassignment of *Jeffrey* 

D. Runels v. Bart Bennett, et al., Case No. 1:23-cv-0254; and

WHEREAS the Court is mindful of the need for the exercise of judicial economy;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall reassign Jeffrey D. Runels v.

*Bart Bennett, et al.*, Case No. 1:23-cv-0254, to Judge Jonker and to Magistrate Judge Green under the approved procedure. *See* W.D. Mich. LCivR 3.3.2(c)(ii).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that another case shall be assigned to Judge Maloney according to the approved procedure.

A copy of this Administrative Order shall be filed in each of the above-referenced cases.

FOR THE COURT:

Dated: August 14, 2023

HALA Y. JARBOU CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE