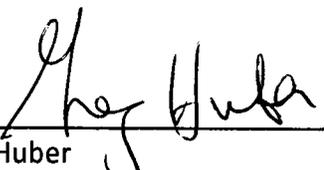


**ORDER APPROVING REPEAL  
of  
OPERATIONAL PLAN IN SHAWANO & MENOMINEE COUNTY**

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Effective this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

  
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Hon. Greg Huber  
Chief Judge, 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District

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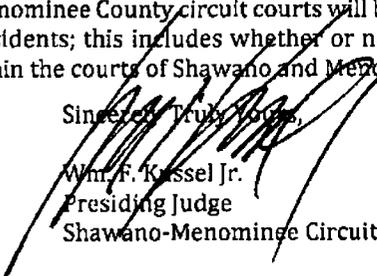
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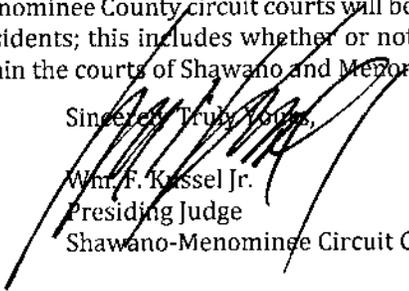
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