



**THE FLORIDA SENATE**  
**SENATOR KATHLEEN PASSIDOMO**  
*President*

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All Senators  
**FROM:** Kathleen Passidomo  
**SUBJECT:** Update – Executive Order of Suspension 23-160, State Attorney Monique Worrell  
**DATE:** September 7, 2023

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Executive Order of Suspension 23-160 was challenged yesterday by way of a Petition for Writs of Quo Warranto and Mandamus in the Florida Supreme Court. The petition is attached for your reference.

As you are aware from prior correspondence on this matter, the Senate's process for acting on the matter of Ms. Worrell's reinstatement to or removal from office is governed by Part V, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes and Senate Rule 12.

Senate Rule 12.9 states, in relevant part, that the Senate process shall be held in abeyance and the matter shall not be considered by the Senate until final determination of a court challenge and the exhaustion of all appellate remedies. As such, I have directed that any Senate proceedings regarding Executive Order of Suspension 23-160 be held in abeyance until a final determination in this pending litigation has been rendered. You may find correspondence and other documents related to Executive Order 23-160 on the Senate website.

As I have said previously, given our constitutional role in this process and pursuant to Senate Rule 12.16, Senators should refrain from speaking publicly about the merits or substance of any executive suspension. Thank you for your attention to this important constitutional responsibility of the Senate.