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Judge Kerry I. Evander will become Chief Judge of the Fifth District Court of Appeal, effective January 1, 2019. Judge Evander obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Florida in 1976, and graduated with honors from the UF College of Law in 1980. Prior to his appointment in 2006 to the Fifth District, Judge Evander was the Chief Judge of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, where he served as a judge for fifteen years.

Judge Evander follows Chief Judge Jay P. Cohen, who will end his term on December 31, 2018. Chief Judge Cohen took over as Chief Judge on January 1, 2017, following Justice Alan Lawson's ascension to the Florida Supreme Court. Justice Lawson was Chief Judge at the time of his appointment.

Chief Judge Cohen who served for eighteen years as a trial court judge in the Ninth Circuit, was appointed to the Fifth District in 2008. Chief Judge Cohen received his Bachelor of Arts degree in English in 1974, and his Juris Doctor degree in 1978, both from the University of Florida.