

MEMORANDUM

July 8, 2026

To: Alan Gibbs
Lamarcus Davis
Eddie Rowland
John Ambrose
Al Turner

From: Lorri Byrd

Subject: Hospital Authority Board Appointment

Monroe County Board of Commissioners received a letter from Dr. Craig Caldwell, MD, FACP of his retirement from medical practice on July 21, 2026. I also received an email from Casey Fleckenstein with Monroe County Hospital about Dr. Caldwell's upcoming retirement. Therefore, per Ms. Fleckenstein email, the Board of Commissioner will need to appoint another member of the active medical staff, that lives in Monroe County, to the Hospital Authority Board to replace his seat starting in August. Dr. Caldwell's term was set to expire 12/31/2026. Therefore, the new member will serve from 8/1/2026 until 12/31/2026.

There is only one current eligible active medical staff that lives in Monroe County that has expressed interest in serving on the board, Dr. Alec Ridley.

Regards,

Lorri Byrd



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Mr. Alan Gibbs
Chairman, Monroe County Board of Commissioners
CC: Casey Fleckenstein, CEO Monroe County Hospital

Dear Mr. Gibbs:

This letter is to inform you of my retirement from medical practice July 21, 2026. I will then no longer meet the requirement as stated in the Hospital Authority Bylaws to be a member of the Active Medical Staff.

I have enjoyed serving the hospital and the people of this community for the past 29 years and am grateful for having this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig Caldwell".

Craig Caldwell, MD, FACP

From: [Lorri Robinson](#)
To: [Casey Fleckenstein](#)
Cc: [Peggy Leverett](#); [Kerry Trapnell](#)
Subject: RE: Hospital Authority Board Member Retirement
Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2026 6:11:00 PM

I will put this on the agenda for the July 14th board of commissioners meeting.
Happy Tuesday!

Lorri Lynn Byrd
County Manager
Monroe County Board of Commissioners

From: Casey Fleckenstein <Casey.Fleckenstein@monroehospital.org>
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2026 8:35 AM
To: Lorri Robinson <LRobinson@monroecoga.org>
Cc: Peggy Leverett <Peggy.Leverett@monroehospital.org>; Kerry Trapnell <kerryt@aletheiahp.com>
Subject: Hospital Authority Board Member Retirement

Good morning! I just wanted to let you know that Dr. Craig Caldwell will be retiring at the end of July. This means the BOC will need to appoint another member of the active medical staff, that lives in Monroe County, to the Hospital Authority Board to replace his seat starting in August. Dr. Caldwell's term was set to expire 12/31/2026.

Current eligible Active Medical staff that live in Monroe County:

Dr. Jeremy Goodwin – has no interest in being on the board due to being on several boards already

Dr. Alec Ridley – has expressed interested in being on the board

Dr. John Rogers – contract ER staff – no interest at this time

Dr. Alan Garrison – contract ER staff – no interest at this time.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Have a great weekend!

Thanks,
Casey

Casey Fleckenstein, BSN, RN

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