

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2000-37-01

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR ORANGE AND OSCEOLA
COUNTIES, FLORIDA

**ORDER IMPLEMENTING CIRCUIT-WIDE PLAN FOR COURT REPORTING IN ALL
TRIALS IN WHICH THE STATE SEEKS THE DEATH PENALTY AND
IN CAPITAL POSTCONVICTION PROCEEDINGS**

WHEREAS, in Amendments to Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure 3.851, 3.852 and 3.993, No. SC96646, 25 Fla. L. Weekly S569 (Fla. July 14, 2000), the Supreme Court of Florida adopted Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.070(h) which requires on or before January 1, 2001, that each circuit develop and implement procedures to expedite the preparation of transcripts in all cases in which the State seeks the death penalty and in capital postconviction proceedings;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Belvin Perry, Jr., pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida under Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.050, order compliance with the following procedures to expedite the preparation of transcripts in all cases in which the State seeks the death penalty and in capital postconviction proceedings, effective immediately:

Whenever possible, real time computer aided transcription qualified court reporters, employed by the Chief Judge as members of the Court Reporting Services Department of the Ninth Judicial Circuit Court, shall be used in all death penalty cases and capital postconviction proceedings in both Orange and Osceola counties. Upon completion of such proceedings, and if a transcript is requested, the Court Reporting Services Department shall deem the transcript request a priority and shall place it before all other non-capital transcript requests, regardless of

the timeliness of those other requests. Additionally, the court reporter assigned to prepare the transcript in the capital case shall be removed from court coverage and relieved of all other nonessential duties until such time as the transcript has been completed and filed. Motions seeking an extension of time for preparation of the transcript shall be presented to the Chief Judge for approval or denial.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 28th day of March, 2006.

/s/ Belvin Perry, Jr.
Belvin Perry, Jr.
Chief Judge

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