

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2004-19-01

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

**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DESIGNATING
HEADQUARTERS OF CIRCUIT JUDGES**

WHEREAS, the Ninth Judicial Circuit consists of Orange and Osceola Counties; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Judges and Judicial Assistants to travel to counties within the Ninth Judicial Circuit to conduct official business; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Judges and Judicial Assistants to conduct business and attend meetings at their official headquarters; and

WHEREAS, Circuit Judges are designated as Judges of the geographic Circuit Court, which includes multiple counties and court facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of a circuit has the constitutional power, as delegated by the Chief Justice of Florida Supreme Court by virtue of Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, to assign Circuit Judges to various counties in the Circuit to ensure the efficient and proper administration of the Courts; and

WHEREAS, the Ninth Judicial Circuit has a policy of rotating the assignment of Circuit Judges to different divisions and counties within the judicial circuit; and

WHEREAS, Circuit Judges and their Judicial Assistants may reside in a county within the judicial circuit different from the county they are assigned within the judicial circuit; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of a circuit has the power to designate the official headquarters of Circuit Judges; and

WHEREAS, the circumstances of assigning Circuit Judges and their Judicial Assistants

from their official headquarters to the other county of the Circuit by order of the Chief Judge is necessary and is implemented by the Chief Judge's constitutional authority to administer the Court system; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida provides for reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses when a Judge or a Judicial Assistant, acting in his or her official capacity and in order to conduct official business, travels from his or her official headquarters to a designated courthouse;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Belvin Perry, Jr., pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida under the Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215 and the applicable Florida Statutes, hereby order the following, **effective February 14, 2011**, and to continue until further order:

1. The official headquarters of each Circuit Judge and his or her Judicial Assistant is the county in which the Judge resides. The list will be maintained by the Court Administrator.

2. Upon receipt of a voucher for reimbursement for travel expenses for a Judge or a Judicial Assistant which is authorized by the Chief Judge or designee, the Court Administrator shall consider such request for travel reimbursement pursuant to section 939.08, Florida Statutes, as reasonable, necessary and legal.

3. Administrative Order No. 2004-19 is vacated and set aside and has been incorporated and/or amended herein.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 9th day of February, 2011.

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