ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER APPOINTING GENERAL MAGISTRATE FOR THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

WHEREAS, in order to expedite the administration of justice in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, the Chief Judge is authorized to appoint General Magistrates; and

WHEREAS, the public need requires that General Magistrates be appointed by this Court to better serve the citizens of this Circuit;

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 the following, effective as stated herein:

HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN is appointed as a General Magistrate of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida. Specifically, HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN is appointed as a General Magistrate to hear all matters referred to him by the Judges of this Court, which a General Magistrate is authorized to hear, pursuant to Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.490, Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.852(l)(3), Florida Probate Rule 5.697, Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure 8.255(i) and 8.625(h), Florida Family Law Rule 12.490, Chapters 393, 394, 397, and 744, Florida Statutes, and any other rule or statutory provision authorizing the appointment of a General Magistrate.

In his capacity as a General Magistrate, **HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN** shall:

1. Take the oath of office, attached hereto, which is required of officers by the Constitution of the State of Florida. The oath, along with this Administrative Order, shall be properly recorded in the official records of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Orange County;

 Perform the duties required in accordance with the above cited rules and statutes and any other rule or statutory provision authorizing the appointment of a General Magistrate, and in accordance with the Code of Judicial Conduct;

- 3. Be a member in good standing of The Florida Bar;
- 4. Serve at the pleasure of the Chief Judge; and
- 5. Serve without requirement of bond.

Additionally, in his capacity as a General Magistrate, **HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN** may take testimony and establish a record by electronic means. The record will be made, retained, and destroyed in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.075 and administrative orders governing court reporting in the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 20th day of December, 2004.

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

Copies to:

All Circuit & County Judges, Ninth Judicial Circuit
State Attorney's Office, Ninth Judicial Circuit
Public Defender's Office, Ninth Judicial Circuit
General Counsel, Orange County Sheriff's Office
Police Legal Advisor, Orlando Police Department
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Administrative Order No. 2004-31

THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OATH OF ACCEPTANCE BY GENERAL MAGISTRATE

IN RE: APPOINTMENT OF HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN AS GENERAL MAGISTRATE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN, being personally known to me and duly qualified to serve as General Magistrate, and who, by me being first duly sworn, deposes and says,

I, HOWARD D. FRIEDMAN, do solemnly swear that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State; and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of General Magistrate for the Ninth Judicial Circuit on which I am now about to enter. So help me God.

/s/ Howard D. Friedman
Howard D. Friedman

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 21st day of December, 2004.

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