ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE-ACTIVATING CIRCUIT COURT SUBDIVISION 08-4 & ESTABLISHING A CASE LOAD, ORANGE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Circuit and County Courts in Orange County are organized into divisions for more efficient case and records management; and

WHEREAS, caseloads in each division are identified by numbered subdivisions to facilitate the exchange of caseloads when changes of division assignment occur; and

WHEREAS, following a careful review of case filings and caseloads of the Family Court Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency Division of this Court, the volume of cases filed warrant the re-activation of Subdivision 08-4;

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 2.215, order that Subdivision 08-4 is hereby re-activated, effective July 1, 2007. Also effective July 1, 2007, and until further order, The Honorable C. Jeffery Arnold shall be assigned to Subdivision 08-4.

The following procedures shall be followed to accumulate a caseload for Subdivision 08-4:

- 1. Beginning immediately, The Clerk of Court shall randomly select 95 cases each from the active caseloads of Subdivisions 04, 05, and 06 for reassignment to Subdivision 08. Cases selected for transfer will be those pending arraignment or trial between July 1, 2007 and August 31, 2007. In making its selection of cases, the Clerk of Court shall ensure that all cases involving the same child are selected together so that no child ends up with his/her cases assigned to multiple subdivisions. In no event shall the number of cases reassigned from each subdivision exceed 95.
 - 2. After the random selection process is completed, the Clerk of Court shall

provide the Judges of Subdivisions 04, 05, and 06 a list of his/her presently assigned cases that have been selected for reassignment to Subdivision 08. These Judges may then review the list and designate any cases that should not be reassigned. It shall be the responsibility of these Judges to immediately notify the Clerk of Court of any such cases. Only after review and confirmation by the Judges shall the Clerk of Court finalize the list of cases to be reassigned.

- 3. The Clerk of Court shall compile a master list of reassigned cases, by name and by case number, and shall post this list in a conspicuous location for public viewing. It is the duty of the attorneys in each case to determine if any of his/her cases have been reassigned.
- 4. Through June 30, 2007, all matters in cases reassigned to Subdivision 08, such as arraignments and short trials, shall be handled by the subdivision judge from whom the case was reassigned.
- 5. Through June 30, 2007, all matters in cases reassigned to Subdivision 08 which are to be scheduled on or after July 1, 2007, shall be coordinated through the office of the Honorable Anthony H. Johnson.
- 6. Effective July 1, 2007, the Clerk of Court shall begin assigning all newly filed juvenile delinquency cases equally and randomly among Subdivisions 04, 05, 06, and 08, except that where the child has a prior or pending case, the newly filed juvenile delinquency case shall be assigned in accordance with Administrative Order 2002-06-1.

Administrative Order 2007-02 is hereby vacated and set aside.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 27th day of June, 2007.

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

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