

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 11.202- 9/08*

IN RE: TRIAL DIVISION JUDGES


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The use of trial divisions has been shown to be an effective case management tool.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority conferred by Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, it is **ORDERED** as follows:

1. There shall be established a Trial Division in Circuit Civil, Circuit Criminal and County Criminal Divisions.
2. The Trial Division's main purpose is to preside over trials.
3. Each Trial Division judge shall provide monthly to his or her Administrative Judge and the Chief Judge a report containing the following information:
 - a. List of Trials:
 - 1) the number of trials completed each month;
 - 2) the types of case or offense(s) charged;
 - 3) the number of days spent on each trial;
 - 4) the verdict of each trial;
 - 5) whether the trial was jury or non jury;
 - 6) the division and name of the judge before whom the case was pending;
 - 7) the case number corresponding to each case.
 - b. List of Pleas, Settlements and Continuances
 - 1) a list of all cases sent to TD resulting in a negotiated settlement or open plea;
 - 2) a list of all cases wherein a continuance was granted and whether the case was sent back to the assigned division;
 - 3) the division and name of the judge before whom the case was pending;
 - 4) the case number corresponding to each case;
 - 5) any motion, other than a Motion in Limine, prior to trial.

29 **DONE and SIGNED** in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this
day of September, 2008.


Kathleen J. Kroll
Chief Judge

*supersedes admin. order 2.035 – 7/97 (as it pertains to Trial Division Judges)