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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2.308-09/08*

IN RE:	UNIFORM INTRACIRCUIT CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROCEDURE	

Intracircuit scheduling conflicts may arise for parties having more than one pending case.

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

- 1. This order shall be utilized to resolve intracircuit conflicts.
- 2. The judges affected by an intracircuit scheduling conflict shall initially confer and determine priorities considering such factors as the age of the case, the number of parties and attorneys involved, the estimated time needed for trial, and the availability of witnesses.
- 3. The following priorities shall apply in the event that the judges affected cannot resolve an intra-circuit scheduling conflict:
 - a. Appellate proceedings in a District Court of Appeal or the Supreme Court of Florida.
 - b. Felony trials set pursuant to motion for discharge [Rule 3.191(i), Fla.R.Crim.P.].
 - c. Misdemeanor trials set pursuant to motion for discharge [Rule 3.191(i), Fla.R.Crim.P.].
 - d. Capital trials where the death penalty is an issue and hearings on Rule 3.850 motions when the death penalty has been imposed.
 - e. Termination of parental rights and dependency cases.
 - f. Noncapital felony jury trials.
 - g. Misdemeanor jury trials.
 - h. Civil jury trials.

- i. Civil non-jury trials estimated to last four days or more.
- j. Court ordered mediation and arbitration.
- k. Circuit court non-jury trials estimated to last less than four days including violations of probation or community control and Rule 3.850 motions.
- l. County court non-jury trials including violations of probation.
- m. Motions requiring evidentiary hearing.
- n. Traffic infraction hearings.
- o. Other motions or proceedings.
- p. Depositions.
- 4. In cases of equal dignity, the oldest case shall have priority. The date of filing shall determine the age of the cases. Criminal defendants in custody shall have priority over other criminal defendants.
- **DONE** and **SIGNED** in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this day of September, 2008.

Kathleen J. Kroll Chief Judge

^{*}supercedes administrative order 2.013-6/01