

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2.501-1/18*

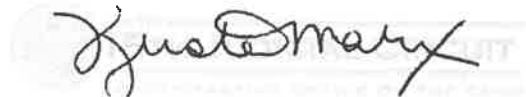
IN RE: WITNESS MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.535(h) (4) permits the Chief Judge to authorize the use of electronic reporting for discovery depositions in criminal cases. Electronic reporting of criminal discovery depositions will reduce the cost of case preparation without diminishing access to discoverable information.

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

1. The Fifteenth Judicial Circuit's Witness Management Office ("WMO") will provide electronic reporting of depositions to attorneys from the Office of the Public Defender, Office of Regional Criminal Conflict, Office of the State Attorney and Court Appointed Attorneys when a civilian or law enforcement witness is being deposed in a criminal, dependency, or delinquency case.
2. The coordination and scheduling of depositions at the Main Judicial Complex is to **be completed through the Witness Management Online Scheduling application**. The coordination and scheduling of depositions **at the South County Courthouse, Hearing Room A, is to be completed by emailing CAD-witnessmanagementoffice@pbcgov.org** in accordance with Administrative Order 2.502.
3. The WMO at the Main Judicial Complex is located on the 5th Floor of the courthouse in room 5.1500 and is available for criminal, juvenile, and dependency cases pending at any courthouse in the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit.
4. The WMO at the South County Courthouse is located in Hearing Room A on the Second Floor and is available for depositions scheduled only in cases pending in Division D and Division JS. To gain access to Hearing Room A, parties must check-in with the Law Librarian.

DONE and **SIGNED** in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this 8 day of January 2018.



Krista Marx, Chief Judge

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* supersedes admin. order 2.501-6/16