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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 4.403-9/08\*

| IN RE: PROBATION/COMMUNITY | CONTROL |
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| COST OF SUPERVISION        |         |
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Section 948.09, Florida Statutes, provides that any person ordered by the Court to be placed on probation, drug offender probation, or community control, "must, as a condition of any placement, pay the department a total sum of money equal to the total month or portion of a month of supervision times the Court-Ordered amount, but not to exceed the actual per diem costs of the supervision.". The Court believes that all offenders should bear to the extent possible the costs of supervision to minimize the economic impact on the taxpayers of the State of Florida. Each defendants, prior to entering a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, should be aware of the costs of supervision if probation is to be imposed.

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

- 1. Unless otherwise exempted or ordered by the Court, every defendant placed on probation or community control by the Circuit Court in and for Palm Beach County, Florida shall pay the sum of \$50.00 per month as and for the costs of supervision for probation and/or community control. In addition thereto, probationers and/or community controllees shall also pay a four percent (4%) surcharge provided by statute for a total of \$52.00 per month.
- 2. The Correctional Probation **Circuit** Administrator of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit may exempt all or part of the court ordered cost of supervision if the offender's financial status changes during the supervision period.

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 4.035-7/97