

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 5.203-1/17\*

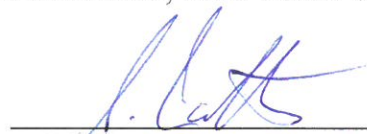
IN RE: EMERGENCY MATTERS  
IN FAMILY LAW CASES

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

1. Requests for emergency hearings **or emergency relief** shall be decided by each judge on the Emergency Motion alone. Upon receiving a request for an emergency hearing **or emergency relief**, the judge shall decide whether an emergency exists, and if so, shall schedule a hearing, enter any ex parte order deemed necessary, or take any other appropriate action.
2. Motions for Emergency Hearings will be denied unless there are sufficient allegations to establish that there is:
  - a. An imminent risk of substantial physical harm to a minor child; or
  - b. A child is about to be illegally removed from this Court's jurisdiction.
3. **Motions for Child Pick Up, regardless of whether titled "emergency", will be treated as an emergency matter.**
4. Motions for immediate payment of child support and/or alimony or for timesharing usually do not meet the standard for emergency relief.

24 **DONE** and **SIGNED** in Chambers at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2017.

  
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Jeffrey Colbath  
Chief Judge

\*supersedes admin. order 5.203-5/09