## AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER GOVERNING COMPENSATION OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE SERVICES FEE - MENTAL HEALTH DIVISIONS, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

**WHEREAS,** the examining committee appointed under Chapter 744 of the Florida Statutes, and other statutes as applicable, are entitled to reasonable fees to be determined by the court and is within the sound discretion of this court; and

WHEREAS, establishment of a procedure for payment of examining committee fees will aid the administration of justice, assist this court and the clerk of court in performing their respective functions and will provide necessary information to assist examining committee members in carrying out their duties while allowing an equitable manner for them to be paid for their services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Belvin Perry, Jr., pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida under Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, order the following administrative procedures be implemented to govern the determination and payment of fees for examining committees providing services in the determination of incapacity proceedings as well as all areas requiring services of court appointed physicians in the Mental Health Divisions of the Ninth Judicial Circuit Court, effective July 1, 2013, and to continue until further order:

Compensations to physicians and lay members who serve as members of an examining committee shall be as follows:

## SOLVENT CASES

The guardian shall pay members of the examining committee directly for services rendered. Physician fees shall be \$350.00 per examination. Lay Member fees shall be \$150.00 per examination.

## INSOLVENT CASES

The Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) shall pay members of the examining committee for services rendered via submission of an invoice to the Ninth Judicial Circuit Court. Physician fees shall be \$300.00 per examination. Lay Member fees shall be \$120.00 per examination.

Administrative Order No. 07-92-21-01 is vacated and set aside and has been incorporated and/or amended herein.

**DONE AND ORDERED** at Orlando, Florida, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

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Belvin Perry, Jr. Chief Judge

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