

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND  
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

**ORDER ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENT TO CONFER PRIOR TO PRE-TRIAL  
FOR CIRCUIT CRIMINAL DIVISION 12**

In order to facilitate the handling of a criminal trial division docket in an effective and efficient manner, it is necessary that there be communication between the parties of the State of Florida and the defense. For this communication to have an effect, it must occur at a relevant time in order to resolve issues and potentially resolve the case prior to a panel of citizens being called to the courtroom for a trial. In considering what a relevant time would be, I have taken into account the workload of the attorneys for the parties as well as the need to prepare for trial or resolution.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

The parties (attorneys for the State of Florida and defense) shall meet, either in person or telephonically, **at least** 24 hours prior to the scheduled pre-trial hearing for all cases set at that hearing and discuss all cases they are assigned to represent parties therein. The discussion shall include, at a minimum, all unresolved discovery issues and plea offers.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers at Orlando, Orange County Florida this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016.



MARK S. BLECHMAN,  
CIRCUIT JUDGE