

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 07-97-32-05

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

**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE: AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES
ACT OF 1990, ORANGE & OSCEOLA COUNTIES**

WHEREAS, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) requires that reasonable accommodations be provided to requesting qualified persons with disabilities in order that they might participate fully in court programs, services, activities, and benefits; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Ninth Judicial Circuit to facilitate provision of reasonable accommodations when requested by qualified persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.540 as mandated in In re: Amendments to Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.540, No. SC09-1487, the notice provision for persons with disabilities was amended;

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, **effective immediately**, and to continue until further order:

1. On all notices of court proceedings to be held in a public facility, and on all process compelling appearance at such proceedings, including, but not limited to, subpoenas for trial, jury summonses, notices of hearings, notices for depositions held in this Court's facilities, and all other court related proceedings, a provision shall be provided for those persons with disabilities who need special accommodations to participate in proceedings, and such provision shall instruct those persons to contact Court Administration at least seven (7) working days before the scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receipt of the notice to ensure that reasonable accommodations can be arranged. **The provision on the notices of court proceedings shall include the following substantive language, and shall be printed in boldface, 14-point Times New Roman or Courier font:**

For court proceedings held in Orange County:

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

For court proceedings held in Osceola County:

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Court Administration, Osceola County Courthouse, 2 Courthouse Square, Suite 6300, Kissimmee, Florida 34741, (407) 742-2417, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

2. Attorneys, litigants, and parties shall include the above stated language of the notice to persons with disabilities on all notices of court proceedings to be held in a public facility, and all process compelling appearance at such proceedings.

3. Judges, clerks of court, and other court personnel shall include the above stated language of the notice to persons with disabilities on all notices of court proceedings to be held in a public facility, and all process compelling appearance at such proceedings which are prepared or printed upon demand.

4. Administrative Order No. 07-97-32-04 is vacated and set aside and has been incorporated and/or amended herein.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 8th day of June, 2010.

_____/s/_____
Belvin Perry, Jr.
Chief Judge

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