

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2009-03

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER GOVERNING SUBSTITUTION OF SURETY BOND FOR
PRETRIAL RELEASE PROGRAM UNDER SECTION 903.16, FLORIDA STATUTES**

WHEREAS, certain arrestees are eligible for either the Pretrial Release Program, a non-monetary release program, or a bail bond; and

WHEREAS, arrestees, after choosing the Pretrial Release Program may seek to substitute a surety bond for participation in the Pretrial Release Program; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Statutes provide for such a substitution;

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:

Where an arrestee voluntarily elected to participate in the Pretrial Release Program (“PTR”) and was not court ordered into PTR, pursuant to sections 903.011, 903.16, 903.17, and 903.18, Florida Statutes, the arrestee may deposit a surety bond, in the amount as provided by the bond schedule or as determined by the initial appearance judge, in substitution of participation in the PTR program. No court order shall be required to effect the substitution as contemplated by this Order.

By virtue of the substitution, the arrestee is relieved of further participation in the PTR program. Nothing in this Order shall be construed as to prohibit the Orange County Department of Corrections from establishing protocols to effectuate the intent of this Order.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

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