AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER APPOINTING CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT HEARING OFFICERS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution and section 43.26, Florida Statutes, the chief judge of each judicial circuit is charged with the authority and the power to do everything necessary to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, by Administrative Order dated February 27, 1998, the Supreme Court of Florida ordered that, pursuant to Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.491, hearing officers may be utilized in this Circuit to consider proceedings for the establishment, enforcement and modification of support in Title IV-D cases; and

WHEREAS, by Administrative Order 07-95-44-01, the Chief Judge has implemented the provisions of rule 12.491 in the Ninth Judicial Circuit;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Frederick J. Lauten, 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, hereby order the following, effective immediately, to continue until further order and superseding any provisions in prior Administrative Order which may be inconsistent:

The Clerk in Orange County or Osceola County, as the location of hearing officer assignment may be, is to refer Title IV-D cases for the establishment, enforcement or modification of support to support hearing officers **Christine Elliott Groves, George L. Winslow, Jr.**, and **Barry W. Hepner** for further scheduling and handling pursuant to rule 12.491.

For purposes of this Administrative Order, a case retains the character of a Title IV-D

case only so long as no Termination of Child Support Services has been filed. Once the

Department of Revenue has withdrawn from providing Title IV-D services and filed a

Termination of Child Support Services, the case is no longer considered a Title IV-D case and

shall not be heard before the support hearing officers.

Administrative Order 2010-07-01 is vacated and set aside except to the extent that it has

been incorporated and/or amended herein. Vacating an Administrative Order that vacates a prior

Order does not revive the prior Order.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 13th day of October, 2017. Nunc pro

tunc to August 7, 2017.

____/s/___ Frederick J. Lauten

Chief Judge

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