## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RECALLING/QUASHING ALL OUTSTANDING ACTIVE WARRANTS AND CAPIASES IN CERTAIN MISDEMEANOR AND MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CASES IN ORANGE COUNTY PRIOR TO JANUARY 1995

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,** pursuant to the chief judge's constitutional and statutory responsibility for administrative supervision of the courts within the circuit and to create and maintain an organization capable of effecting the efficient, prompt, and proper administration of justice for the citizens of this State, the chief judge is required to exercise direction, *see* Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.215(b)(2), (b)(3); and

WHEREAS, this Court has learned that in Orange County there exists an enormous number of outstanding and unserved misdemeanor and municipal ordinance arrest warrants and capiases in cases where defendants were sentenced prior to January 1, 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, the manpower required for record-keeping along with the physical housing and storage of these exceedingly old warrants and capiases, place tremendous burdens on both the Clerk of Court and the Sheriff of Orange County; and

**WHEREAS**, this Court finds that certain warrants and capiases which were issued solely for failure to pay court costs, fines, and fees should be recalled in order to begin easing this burden;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Belvin Perry, Jr., in order to facilitate the efficient

administration of justice, and 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**, and to continue until further order:

All outstanding warrants or capiases are hereby **RECALLED AND QUASHED** that

were issued in misdemeanor and municipal ordinance cases where sentences were imposed prior

to January 1995 and where the warrants or capiases were issued solely for the defendant's failure

to pay court costs, fines, and fees per the sentence imposed regardless of whether a rule to show

cause was issued in the case.

The Clerk of Court is directed to close each of these cases once the recalled warrant or

capias is received.

**DONE AND ORDERED** at Orlando, Florida, this 30th day of September, 2010.

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Belvin Perry, Jr.

Chief Judge

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