

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER CREATING SUBDIVISION 43-C IN THE
DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
IN OSCEOLA COUNTY AND ESTABLISHING A CASELOAD**

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, the Circuit and County Courts are organized into divisions for more efficient case and records management and caseloads in each division are identified by numbered subdivisions to facilitate the exchange of caseloads when changes of division assignment occur; and

WHEREAS, for the sake of judicial economy and to prevent confusion, occasionally subdivisions may need to be de-activated, new subdivisions created, and existing subdivisions caseloads modified; and

WHEREAS, case filings in the Domestic Relations Division in Osceola County warrant the creation of an additional subdivision to assist;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Donald A. Myers, 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, to continue until further order and superseding any provisions in prior

Administrative Orders which may be inconsistent, and following a careful review of case filings and caseloads, order that Subdivision 43-C is hereby created in Osceola County, to begin **July 15, 2019**, unless otherwise provided herein. The following procedures shall be followed in order to accumulate a caseload for Subdivision 43-C and to have the Subdivision ready for disposition of cases to begin on **July 22, 2019**:

1. An initial caseload for Subdivision 43-C shall be established in the following manner: the Osceola County Clerk of Court shall immediately randomly re-assign 16% of the open cases and 15% of the closed cases from Subdivision 30-C to Circuit Court Subdivision 43-C and 14% of the open cases and 15% of the closed cases from Subdivision 40-C to Circuit Court Subdivision 43-C. The cases must be domestic relation, non-domestic violence type cases.

By **July 12, 2019**, The Clerk of Court shall furnish the Judge in each current subdivision a list of those cases identified to be re-assigned from the subdivision. The Judge in each subdivision shall furnish to the Clerk a list of those cases that the Judge has determined should not be transferred. On **July 15, 2019**, the Clerk shall transfer those cases which the Clerk has randomly selected to Subdivision 43-C except as identified by the subdivision judge as a case not to be transferred.

2. Beginning **July 15, 2019**, the Clerk of Court shall randomly assign 16% of all newly filed domestic relations cases to Subdivision 43-C.

3. On **July 15, 2019**, the Clerk of Court shall transfer one-third of all closed domestic violence cases to Subdivision 43-C. Beginning **July 15, 2019**, the Clerk of Court shall assign one-third of all newly filed domestic violence cases to Subdivision 43-C as directed by Administrative Order No. 2005-16-09.

4. By **July 15, 2019**, the Osceola County Clerk of Court shall transfer all juvenile delinquency cases to Subdivision 41-C. Immediately upon signing and distribution of this Order,

any juvenile delinquency matters that may have been set after **July 22, 2019**, must be rescheduled by the Clerk's office in Subdivision 41-C. Amended notices and/or orders rescheduling matters must be prepared and sent out by the Clerk's office.

5. All emergency matters and all pending matters in those cases re-assigned to Subdivision 43-C and Subdivision 41-C that are scheduled to be heard prior to **July 22, 2019**, shall be heard by the subdivision to which the case was assigned prior to **July 22, 2019**.

DONE AND ORDERED at Orlando, Florida, this 9th day of July, 2019.

_____/s/_____
Donald A. Myers, Jr.
Chief Judge

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