AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DESIGNATING SUBDIVISION 19-1 AS A POSTCONVICTION SUBDIVISION AND ESTABLISHING A CASELOAD, ORANGE COUNTY

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

After a careful review of case filings and caseloads, Orange County postconviction case filings warrant the establishment of Subdivision 19-1, as designated to handle all postconviction motions filed pursuant to rule 3.800(a), 3.850, and 3.853 of the Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure.

By the power vested in the chief judge under Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution, section 43.26, Florida Statutes, and rule 2.215 of the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration, effective **immediately**, unless otherwise provided herein, to continue until further order and superseding any provisions in prior Administrative Orders that may be inconsistent, it is **ORDERED**:

1. The Clerk of Court shall stop assigning newly filed criminal cases to Subdivision 19-1 and shall reassign all cases from Subdivision 19-1 equally and randomly between Subdivision(s) 10-1, 11-1, 12-1, 14-1, 15-1, 16-1, 17-1, 20-1, and 22-1.

2. In order to accumulate a caseload for Subdivision 19-1, the Clerk of Court shall assign and/or reassign <u>all</u> pending postconviction motions filed pursuant rule 3.850, 3.800(a), and 3.853 of the Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure, which originate in Subdivision(s) 10-1, 11-1, 12-1, 14-1, 15-1, 16-1, 17-1, 19-1, 20-1, or 22-1 to Subdivision 19-1.

3. The Clerk of Court shall separately distribute all pending capital and life felony cases equally and randomly between Subdivision(s) 10-1, 11-1, 12-1, 14-1, 15-1, 16-1, 17-1, 20-1, and 22-1 so as to ensure fair distribution of these difficult cases among all criminal subdivisions.

4. The Clerk of court shall transfer all newly filed postconviciton motions filed pursuant to rule 3.800(a), 3.850, and 3.853 of the Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure, to Subdivision 19-1 upon the filing of the postconviction motion.

5. After disposition of the postconviction motion, all cases shall be re-assigned to the Subdivision to which the case was assigned immediately before transfer to Subdivision 19-1.

6. Nothing herein shall prevent the Chief Judge, the Administrative Judge of the Circuit Criminal Justice Division, or a designated judge in the absence of all of the foregoing from transferring any case in the interest of judicial economy and to advance the purposes of this Postconviction Subdivision.

7. Nothing in this Administrative Order shall be construed so as to abrogate any judicial responsibility on the part of any judge to hear those matters which are properly before them.

8. Administrative Order 2022-05 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 15th day of September, 2022.

Lisa T. Munyon Chief Judge

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