

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 16TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF
FLORIDA IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2.007/02-1

AMENDED

IN RE:

DUTY JUDGES/EMERGENCIES

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WHEREAS, the prompt and efficient administration of justice requires a judge to be available in chambers during work hours and on-call after work hours to handle emergency matters; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order #11.006/02-1, *In re: Judges' Alternates*, has been rescinded,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ORDERED as follows:

DEFINITION OF "EMERGENCY", as provided in Paragraph 1 of Administrative Order #2.007/96-1 Amended, *In re: Duty Judges/Emergencies*, is hereby amended to read:

1. By master calendar memoranda, the Court Administrators Office, under the direction of the Chief Judge, shall promulgate a semi-annual duty roster so that a judge, commonly referred to as the "duty judge", shall be available at all times to handle ex parte applications, e.g, search warrant, petitions for ex parte injunctive relief to prevent domestic violence, and other matters of life and death or instances of irreparable harm. Included in this definition are matters of extreme urgency in cases which have been assigned to a trial division if the assigned trial judge is not available.

DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers, at Key West, Monroe County, Florida, this the 6 day of September, _____ 2002.

Richard G. Payne
Chief Judge