

**THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**CASE NO. 05-1
(Court Administration)**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 05-10**

**IN RE: CLARIFICATION OF
PROCEDURES FOR ASSIGNMENT
OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 2.050, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, the Chief Judge is responsible for the development of an administrative plan to ensure the efficient and proper administration of all courts within the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida; and

WHEREAS, such plan includes, inter alia, an administrative organization capable of effecting the prompt disposition of cases and control of dockets; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Administrative Order No. 99-16, the Clerk of the Courts was directed to randomly assign Domestic Violence Cases; and

WHEREAS, it is required that final hearings in cases of Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence, Repeat Violence, Dating Violence or Sexual Violence are set within fifteen days from issuance of any temporary injunction; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding such requirement, periodically, due to the caseload in a particular Judicial Section, it has become increasingly challenging to adhere to this requirement, and

WHEREAS, in view of the requirement, it has been deemed necessary to establish a procedure to address the challenges;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, the following procedure shall be adhered to in the assignment and transfer of cases in the Domestic Violence Division:

When processing a case as per Administrative Order No. 99-16, if the case is assigned to a judicial section that does not have an available date for a hearing within 15 days, the Clerk of the Courts is instructed to randomly reassign such case to any judicial section with an available hearing date and time.

This Administrative Order shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect until further order of the court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami-Dade, Florida, this _____ day of December, 2005.

**JOSEPH P. FARINA, CHIEF JUDGE
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**