

THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 02-1
(Court Administration)

IN RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCE-
DURES FOR TRANSFERRING
CASES TO THE CROSS-OVER
DIVISION OF THE UNIFIED FAMI-
LY COURT IN THE ELEVENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 02-03

WHEREAS, pursuant to Administrative Order No. 01-16, dated October 19, 2001, the Unified Family Court for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida (hereinafter referred to as the "Court") was established to provide a comprehensive, coordinated approach to addressing family law matters; and

WHEREAS, as a pilot project, a division was established within the Court wherein "cross-over" cases (hereinafter "Cross-over Division") will be transferred for handling by the Judges assigned thereto (hereinafter "Cross-over Judges"); and

WHEREAS, as defined in Administrative Order No. 01-16, a cross-over case is one wherein two or more cases are filed or pending in the Juvenile, Family, and/or Domestic Violence Divisions amongst family members with issues concerning the same child(ren); and

WHEREAS, there is a need to set forth procedures to effectuate the transfer of such cases in an efficient manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida under Rule 2.050 of the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, it is hereby ordered that the following procedures are established to transfer cases to the Cross-over Division within the Unified Family Court:

1. Cases will be reviewed by the Administrative Coordinator of the Unified Family Court and the Cross-over Judges within the Cross-over Division to determine whether such cases meet the "cross-over" cases criteria.
2. After approval of the transfer by both Cross-over Judges, the transfer order shall be signed by one of the Cross-over Judges and submitted to the Clerk for transfer to the Cross-over Division (Section 48) in both the Criminal Justice Information System ("CJIS") and the Civil Information System ("SIVA").
3. The Clerk's Office cannot transfer cases to the Cross-over Division without the written authorization of the Cross-over Judges.

This Order shall take effect on the 19th day of February, 2002, nunc pro tunc,

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and shall remain in effect pending further Order of this Court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami-Dade, Florida, this 22nd
day of March, 2002.

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