

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR CITRUS, HERNANDO, LAKE, MARION AND SUMTER COUNTIES,
FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. A-2010- 51

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REGARDING REPORTING OF PENDING CASELOADS
AND DISMISSAL FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION
AND
RESCINDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 1986-06**

WHEREAS, Rule of Judicial Administration 2.250 creates certain time standards for disposition of various categories of cases presided over by the trial judges, and

WHEREAS, said Rule imposes on the trial judges the responsibility to manage the progress of cases in such a fashion as to expedite their orderly disposition, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the trial judges be furnished with certain statistical information to enable them to effectuate the goals established by said Rule, and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the formats for the reporting of such statistical information be uniform among the counties of the circuit, it is therefore

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. On or before the 10th of January, 2011, and the 10th of each month thereafter, the Clerk of the Courts of each county in the Fifth Judicial Circuit shall furnish to the Chief Judge of the Circuit and to each judge presiding in said counties, a statistical report setting forth the status of all cases assigned to the respective judge.

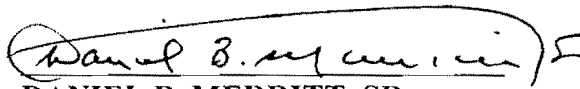
2. Simultaneously with the reports provided for above, the clerks shall provide a print-out of all pending cases including but not limited to the following: style of case, case number, parties or attorneys of record, date and style of last filing therein, together with such additional information as the administrative judge of the respective counties shall require.

3. Commencing January, 2011, and continuing on a monthly basis, the clerks shall cause to be compiled a list of all county civil cases wherein it appears no affirmative action in the form of filings or pleadings has occurred within one (1) year and six (6) months for summary procedure, and shall forward to the parties or attorneys of record a notice of failure to prosecute and notice of hearing. Prior to mailing such notice the clerk shall schedule with the judge assigned a hearing date to be recorded in the notice.

If no showing of good cause is filed or such is deemed insufficient by the assigned judge, the clerk shall submit to the assigned judge an appropriate order of dismissal. Upon dismissal the clerk shall forward a copy of the order to the parties or attorneys of record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Administrative Order AO-1986-06, is hereby **RESCINDED**.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Brooksville, Hernando County, Florida this 22 day of December, 2010.


DANIEL B. MERRITT, SR.,
Chief Judge
Fifth Judicial Circuit

