

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER H-2000-3

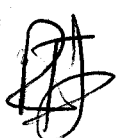
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REGARDING RELEASE OF CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS

Pursuant to the authority of Rule 2.050, Fla. R. Jud. Adm., and the authority vested in the undersigned as Administrative Judge of Hernando County in the Fifth Judicial Circuit, whenever an in-custody defendant in a criminal case is ordered released by the presiding judge pursuant to a time-served sentence, or is released on his or her own recognizance, or a sentence is imposed restoring or modifying probation or community control, or any other modification of the defendant's prisoner status which results in the release of the prisoner, the following standards shall be applied:

1. Time served, or such sentence restoring or modifying probation or community control, or any other modification of the defendant's prisoner status which results in the release of the prisoner, shall be deemed to run through 11:59 p.m. of the date of the sentence or modification of status to allow a reasonable time for administrative processing tasks to be performed by the Hernando County Jail or correctional facility incident to release of a defendant from their custody. Defendants shall be eligible for release immediately upon completion of administrative processing, which shall be conducted as expeditiously as possible.

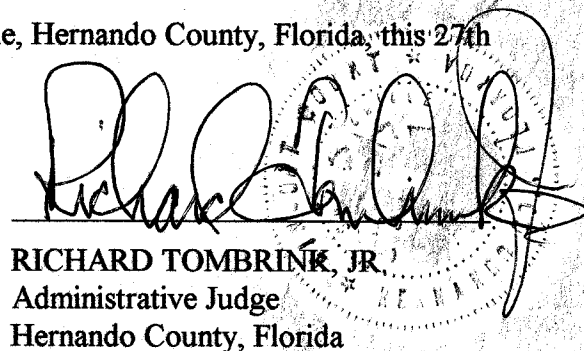
2. Said administrative processing tasks shall include, but not be limited to, transportation of the defendant to the county jail or correctional facility, identity verification of the defendant, checks for holds in other criminal cases or holds for other law enforcement agencies on the defendant, release and return of defendant's property, and any other required administrative processing by the sheriff's office, county jail or correctional facility.

3. As part of the administrative process, the warden of Hernando County Jail, with the cooperation of the Hernando County Sheriff's Office, is required to determine if there are any outstanding holds on a defendant related to other charges preventing release of a defendant under the authority of this administrative order; and a wants and warrants check shall be run on any in-custody defendant the morning of such defendant's jury trial, and such information shall be furnished to the court at the time trial is scheduled to commence.



4. The time frame established by this order shall not apply in criminal cases where a defendant is found not guilty of all pending charges by a jury or the court, or following the announcement of *nolle prosequere* or dismissal in open court. Under such circumstances, the defendant shall be immediately released, unless there are outstanding holds related to other charges.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Brooksville, Hernando County, Florida, this 27th day of January, 2000.



RICHARD TOMBRINK, JR.  
Administrative Judge  
Hernando County, Florida