## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARION COUNTY, OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.: M-2013-33-B

## AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER REQUIRING BOTH PARTIES SEEKING CIVIL INDIGENT STATUS TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION WITH JOINT PETITIONS AND SUPERSEDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER M-2013-33

WHEREAS, Rule 12.105 of the Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure allows both parties to file a Petition for Simplified Dissolution of Marriage when no dependent or minor children were born during the marriage and the Wife is not pregnant, and the parties have made a satisfactory division of their property and joint obligations; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 63 of the Florida Statutes allows for the filing of joint petitions for step-parent adoptions; and

WHEREAS, parties routinely file joint petitions seeking the establishment and modification of issues in family law cases as defined by Rule 12.010 (a)(1) of the Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §57.082 of the Florida Statutes, parties may seek relief from the payment of filing fees and prepayment of costs by the filing of an Application for Determination Civil Indigent Status with the clerk of the court' and

WHEREAS, both parties filing a joint petition must qualify for civil indigent status before relief from the payment of filing fee and prepayment of costs can be granted, it is THEREFORE

## ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

At the time of filing of a joint petition for simplified dissolution of marriage, step-parent adoption, or seeking other family relief, each party shall execute and file an Application for Determination Civil Indigent Status if they are seeking relief from the payment of filing fees and prepayment of costs. If both parties fail to qualify as indigent as defined by §57.082 of the Florida Statutes, the filing fee and costs shall equally be divided between the parties. If only one party qualifies as an indigent, the non-qualifying party shall be responsible for the payment of all filing fees and costs.

**DONE and ORDERED** at Ocala, Marion County Florida on July \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

ANTHONY M. TATTI

Marion County Administrative Judge

ANN MELINDA CRAGGS

Family Law Administrative Judge