

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND
FOR INDIAN RIVER, MARTIN, OKEECHOBEE
AND ST. LUCIE COUNTIES, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 97-10

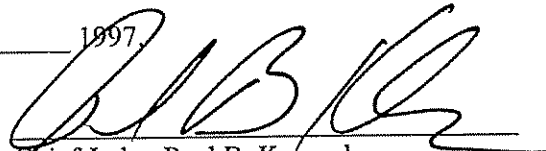
RE: Okeechobee First Appearance Hearings

Whereas it is necessary to provide coverage for daily First Appearance Hearings in Okeechobee County, and whereas there is now both a County and Circuit Judge who are residents of Okeechobee County, now therefore as Chief Judge, pursuant to Rule 2.050, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, the following is hereby ORDERED:

1. The resident Okeechobee County Judge shall be responsible for and handle all First Appearance Hearings on weekdays. In the absence of the County Judge, the Circuit Judge assigned to Okeechobee County shall conduct the weekly First Appearance Hearings.
2. Weekend and holiday First Appearance Hearings shall be the responsibility and shall be handled by the resident Okeechobee County Circuit and County Judges pursuant to an agreed to schedule.
3. When necessary, the resident County and Circuit Judges or the Circuit Judge assigned to Okeechobee County may make coverage arrangements with other Judges pursuant to the procedure set forth in Administrative Order 93-3.
4. Effective upon the entry of this Order, Administrative Orders 96-03, 96-09, and 96-11 are hereby REVOKED.

DONE AND ORDERED in quadruplicate at Vero Beach, Indian River County, Florida this

31 day of March 1997.


Chief Judge Paul B. Kaharek