

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 98-02

**RE: PETITIONS OF THE FLORIDA BAR FOR APPOINTMENT OF
INVENTORY ATTORNEYS BY THE CIRCUIT COURT**

WHEREAS, The Florida Bar is an arm of The Supreme Court of Florida charged by the Supreme Court with the regulation of attorneys in the State of Florida and the protection of the public; and

WHEREAS, whenever an attorney is suspended, disbarred, becomes a delinquent member, abandons a practice, disappears, or dies, and no partner, personal representative or other responsible party capable of conducting the attorney's affairs is known to exist, the Florida Bar is required to petition the Circuit Court for appointment of an inventory attorney to take possession of the files, monies, and property of clients to protect the interest of these clients as well as the attorney;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Clerk of Court for each of the counties in this circuit shall not request nor collect a filing or docketing fee for the filing of any circuit court action brought by the Florida Bar which seeks the appointment of an inventory attorney pursuant to the rules regulating the Florida Bar.
2. The Clerk of Court for each of the counties in this circuit shall, upon the filing of any such actions, forward the original court file to the Office of the Court Administrator for the Nineteenth Circuit who shall deliver said files to the Chief Judge for prompt consideration of the relief requested therein.

DONE AND ORDERED in quadruplicate at Vero Beach, Indian River County, Florida
this 24 day of February, 1998.



PAUL B. KANAREK
Chief Judge