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PAUL F. HARTSFIELD
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND
FOR THE SECOND JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT FOR LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 82-6

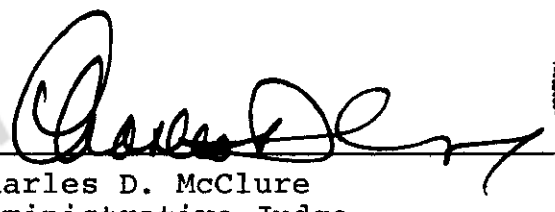
RE: Requests for Continuance by Defendant

The Court is aware of the problem of continuances requested by Defendants for Friday arraignments and docket sounding. The standard practice has been to have the defendant contact the State Attorney's Office to find out if a requested continuance will be granted. Only the Court can grant a continuance and the State Attorney is not authorized to grant a continuance or act as a spokesman or attorney for the defendant. Therefore, the following order is hereby set forth.

This Court, and only this Court, will have the discretion to grant a continuance requested by a defendant. The Court, however, hereby authorized the County Clerk to continue an arraignment of a case upon written stipulation of both the defendant and the State Attorney's Office (model stipulation attached).

Any other request for continuance should be brought to the Court's attention by the Clerk for consideration by the Court. If the Court is inclined to grant the continuance, but not toll speedy trial, then the State Attorney's Office will be contacted and given an opportunity to be heard.

DONE AND ORDERED this 23rd day of April, 1982.



Charles D. McClure
Administrative Judge



cc: State Attorney
Public Defender



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