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**IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO: 91-12**

**AMENDMENT**

**IN RE: SCHEDULING A FIRST COURT APPEARANCE FOR ALL ARRESTED DEFENDANTS, WHETHER INCARCERATED OR RELEASED ON RECOGNIZANCE, BOND, PRE-TRIAL RELEASE, OR NOTICE TO APPEAR**

**WHEREAS, the above mentioned Administrative Order sets forth procedures for scheduling first appearance and arraignment hearings for criminal defendants; and**

**WHEREAS, there is a need to amend these procedures to accommodate the Leon County Felony Drug Court Program scheduled to begin operation in January, 1994; and**

**WHEREAS, the Leon County Pre-trial Release Office will be responsible for screening defendants for potential participation in the drug court program; it is therefore**

**ORDERED THAT:**

**Administrative Order 91-12, In Re: Scheduling a First Court Appearance for All Arrested Defendants, Whether Incarcerated or Released on Recognizance, Bond, Pre-Trial Release, or Notice to Appear, Dated December 30, 1991, (as amended on December 30, 1991) is hereby amended by the creation of a new Section C that will read as follows:**

**"C. The Leon County Pre-Trial Release Office shall be responsible for the screening of all criminal defendants to determine their appropriateness for participation in the Leon County Drug Court Program. Defendants eligible for drug court include:**

- **persons charged with a second or third degree felony for the purchase or possession of a controlled substance under Chapter 893, Florida Statutes;**
- **defendants that have not been previously convicted of a felony; and**
- **defendants meeting additional criteria that may be developed by the Leon County Felony Drug Court Oversight Committee.**

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**The pre-trial release officer will schedule drug court eligible defendants for the next available drug court session and provide notice to jail personnel of the date and time of the next drug court date for scheduling purposes. "**

**DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this 15 day of December, 1993.**

**Philip J. Padovano**
**Chief Judge**

**Copies to:**

**All Circuit Judges of the Second Judicial Circuit**
**All County Judges of the Second Judicial Circuit**
**Clerk of the Circuit Courts for Leon County**
**Leon County Jail**
**Pre-Trial Release Office, Leon County**

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