## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PASCO AND PINELLAS COUNTIES, FLORIDA

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2011-002 PA/PI-CIR

#### **RE: PROFESSIONALISM COMMITTEE**

On or about January 9, 1998, then Chief Justice Gerald Kogan of the Florida Supreme Court requested the Chief Judge of each judicial circuit to appoint a Circuit Committee on Professionalism charged with the overall responsibility of initialing and coordinating professionalism activities within the circuit and to assist the Commission on Professionalism.

On or about January 14, 1998, the Sixth Judicial Circuit Professionalism Committee was established.

The Sixth Judicial Circuit Professionalism Committee recognizes that the Bench and Bar of the Sixth Judicial Circuit have historically maintained a high level of professionalism.

In order to reaffirm the Sixth Judicial Circuit Professionalism Committee, and

In order to reestablish the membership of the Sixth Judicial Circuit Professionalism Committee, and

In accordance with the Chief Judge's authority under Article V, section 2, Florida Constitution, Rule of Judicial Administration 2.215, and section 43.26, Florida Statutes, and in accordance with The Supreme Court of Florida's Administrative Order *In re: Commission on Professionalism*, dated June 11, 1998, it is hereby

### **ORDERED:**

- 1. The Sixth Judicial Circuit Professionalism Committee ("Committee") will continue to operate in the Sixth Judicial Circuit ("Circuit").
- 2. In accordance with The Supreme Court of Florida's Administrative Order *In re: Commission on Professionalism*, the Chief Judge of the Circuit will serve as the Chair of the Committee.
  - 3. The following are appointed to the Committee:
    - a. Pasco Administrative Judge
    - b. Pasco and Pinellas Appellate Division Administrative Judge
    - c. Pinellas and Pasco Family Law Division (including Unified Family Court)
      Administrative Judge
    - d. Pasco County Court Administrative Judge
    - e. Pinellas County Court Administrative Judge
    - f. Pinellas Civil Division Administrative Judge
    - g. Pinellas Criminal Division Administrative Judge
    - h. Pinellas Probate and Guardianship Division Administrative Judge

- i. State Attorney
- j. Public Defender
- k. President of the Clearwater Bar Association, or his or her designee
- 1. President of the St. Petersburg Bar Association, or his or her designee
- m. President of the West Pasco Bar Association, or his or her designee
- n. President of the Young Lawyers Division, Clearwater Bar Association, or his or her designee
- o. President of the Young Lawyers Section, St. Petersburg Bar Association, or his or her designee
- p. President of the Young Lawyers Division, West Pasco Bar Association, or his or her designee
- q. Dean of Stetson University College of Law, or his or her designee
- r. Such others named by the Chief Judge of the Circuit, not to exceed five, for a term not to exceed three years.
- 4. The Committee will perform all responsibilities established in The Supreme Court of Florida's Administrative Order *In re: Commission on Professionalism*, dated June 11, 1998. In order to fulfill those responsibilities, the Committee will:
  - a. meet quarterly to discuss the status of professionalism and professionalism activities in the Circuit;
  - b. issue an annual report each January to the Chair of the Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism; and
  - c. on a periodic basis, offer Continuing Legal Education courses on professionalism.

This Administrative Order rescinds Administrative Order Number 2011-001 PA/PI-CIR effective immediately.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, at Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida, this day of January 2011.

# ORIGINAL SIGNED January 11, 2011 BY J. THOMAS MCGRADY, CHIEF JUDGE

cc: All Judges and Judicial Assistants

The Honorable Bernie McCabe, State Attorney

The Honorable Bob Dillinger, Public Defender

The Honorable Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Pinellas County

The Honorable Paula S. O'Neil, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Pasco County

The Honorable Jim Coats, Sheriff, Pinellas County

The Honorable Bob White, Sheriff, Pasco County

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