UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 96-64

IN RE:

LIMITATION OF CIVIL CASE REFERRALS TO A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF 28 U.S.C. 636(c)

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At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Executive Committee of this Court, a discussion ensued regarding the referral of civil cases to consent trial before a United States Magistrate Judge wherein the trial is expected to exceed five (5) days.

At the recommendation of the Executive Committee, it was agreed that effective immediately no Judge shall refer any case to a United States Magistrate Judge wherein the civil cover sheet (JS-44) reflects, (or the Judge has knowledge that) the trial is to exceed five days in length.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers at the United States Federal Building and Courthouse, 299 East Broward Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 26 day of December, 1996.

NORMAN C. ROETTGER
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

cc: All Southern District Judges and Magistrate Judges
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