

**United States District Court
Southern District of Florida
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PRESS RELEASE

The Federal Court resumed normal operations within the Southern District of Florida on Tuesday, September 7th at courthouses in Key West, Miami, and Fort Lauderdale. Federal courthouses in West Palm Beach and Fort Pierce will remain closed until further notice because of safety concerns in those communities arising from widespread storm damage and power outages caused by Hurricane Frances.