## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: 88-30

IN RE: TRANSFER OF SIMILAR ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS:

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During the Court's regularly ccheduled formal Judges' meeting held March 15, 1988, the Court unanimously agreed to amend Local Rule 6, subsection C which reads as follows:

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## Rule 6. TRANSFER OF REFILED AND SIMILAR ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS.

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C. SIMILAR. Whenever an action or proceeding is filed in the court which involves subject matter which is a material part of the subject matter of another action or proceeding then pending before this court, or for other reasons the disposition thereof would appear to entail unnecessary duplication of judicial labor if heard by a different judge, the judge involved shall determine whether the newly filed action or proceeding should be transferred to the judge to whom the low number action or proceeding is assigned.

The Court approved an amendment which requires the receiving judge to respond to a "low number" transfer within thirty (30) days from the date the transferring judge forwards the file to the receiving Judge. Therefore, it is

ORDERED that this matter is referred to The Honorable Lenore C. Nesbitt, Chairperson of the Local Rules Committee in and for the Southern District of Florida, to formulate the appropriate language to amend Local Rule 6 to comply with the Court's unanimous decision reached on March 15, 1988. It is further

ORDERED that effective immediately, the Clerk of Court shall monitor all proposed civil low number transfers between judges. The Clerk shall notify the receiving judge before the expiration of the 31st day that a transfer is pending. The clerk is directed to prepare whatever procedures he feels necessary to implement this directive and to distribute the procedures to the Court.

DONE and ORDERED in Chambers, in the United States Courthouse, Federal Courthouse Square, Miami, Florida this \_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 1988.

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