UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2005-43

IN RE: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE AD HOC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COURT ANNEXED MEDIATION OCT 1 4 2005

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IT IS ORDERED that the following persons are nereby appointed.

as members of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on Court Annexed

Mediation, thereby superceding Administrative Order 2002-38:

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- 1. This Ad Hoc Committee is charged with assisting the Chief Judge in formulating policy and standards governing the qualifications of mediators and the operation of the mediation program under Local Rule 16.2. The Clerk of Court, or his designee, shall provide staff support to the Committee.
- 2. The Committee shall study and make recommendations once every four years about the total number of certified mediators necessary to support the Court's business, the terms of service for certified mediators, review applications of prospective mediators, and recommend (re)certification of mediators to the Chief Judge as appropriate under the applicable standards.
- 3. The Committee will develop reporting requirements for mediators to assist in evaluating individual and program performance.
- 4. The Committee shall periodically review the work product, performance, reports, and records of certified mediators in order to assist the Court in ensuring the continuing integrity and

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quality of the process; monitoring compliance with all applicable

ethical principles; evaluating the effectiveness of the program;

and assessing future needs. The Committee shall reports its

findings at least once annually to the Chief Judge.

The Committee is further charged with the responsibility

of assisting the Court in formulating and implementing a mechanism

for receiving and resolving complaints regarding the mediation

specifically those addressed to the conduct of the

certified mediator. Thereafter, the Committee shall review

complaints received via this mechanism, and shall make confidential

reports and recommendations to the Court as to what action, if any,

it should take with respect to the Committee's findings.

This Committee shall remain in existence until further order

of the Chief Judge. The terms of each member of this Committee

shall be for three years from the date of this Administrative

Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Fort Lauderdale, Broward

County, Florida, this 133 day of October 2005.

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CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished as follows:

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