UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2007-06

IN RE: MODIFICATION OF MAGISTRATE
JUDGE PAIRING ASSIGNMENT PLAN (Central
and Northern Divisions: Fort Lauderdale,
West Palm Beach, Fort Pierce)

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Administrative Order 2003-86 (amended by Administrative Orders 2003-111, 2003-114, and 2006-18) modified the Magistrate Judge Pairing Assignment Plan for the Central (Fort Lauderdale) and Northern (West Palm Beach and Fort Pierce) Divisions. The modifications effectuated by that Order commenced August 5, 2003, and remain in effect until further order of the Chief Judge. It is hereby

ORDERED that as of the date of this order, and until further notice, the Judges and Magistrate Judges for Central and Northern Divisions will be paired as follows:

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Paired Magistrates

Chief Judge Zloch (criminal and civil)

Judge Snow

Judge Cohn (criminal and civil)

Judge Gonzalez (civil only)

Judge Dimitrouleas Judge Seltzer

Judge Hurley (criminal only)

Judge Vitunac

Judge Marra (criminal even only)
Judge Ryskamp (civil only)

Judges Middlebrooks (criminal and civil) Judge Johnson

Judge Marra (civil only)

Judge Paine (criminal and civil)

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<u>District Judges</u>

Paired Magistrates

Judge Hopkins

Judge Hurley (civil filed after November 1, 2003) Judge Marra (criminal odd only) Judge Ryskamp (criminal filed after November 1, 2003)

All civil and criminal cases filed in Fort Pierce (case numbers 14000-1999) All West Palm Beach Social Security cases Judge Lynch

In order to effect the orderly transfer of cases in accordance with the pairing plan, the following procedures apply:

shall retain until disposition all previously referred fully briefed motions from cases assigned to Judge Marra. Magistrate Judge Seltzer shall dispose of all other referred motions that become ripe for disposition in such cases until all fully briefed motions have been ruled upon by the magistrate judge. Upon the magistrate judge's disposition of all fully briefed motions in any case assigned to Judge Marra, the magistrate judge shall certify to Judge Marra that all such motions have been ruled upon and Judge Marra will then issue an order directing the clerk of court to transfer the case to the new "paired" magistrate judge. Magistrate Judge Seltzer shall use his best efforts to dispose of all referred, fully briefed motions in cases assigned to Judge Marra within 60 days of the date of this order. At the conclusion of the

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60 day period, Magistrate Judge Seltzer shall make a written status report to the Chief Judge about each such case retained from Judge Marra.

Any consent trial, consent motion for summary judgment, and other "consent motion" shall remain with the magistrate judge who was assigned to the case when the consent was given.

II. District judges shall retain full discretion concerning the type and volume of matters referred. However, referrals shall be only to the "paired" magistrate judge, unless a district judge after conferring with and obtaining the agreement of the district judges with whom another magistrate judge is paired determines that a case or motions should be assigned to or remain with such other magistrate judge (e.g., because of a prior related case, because a magistrate judge has devoted substantial time to an unusually complex case, or for some other meritorious reason), and so notify the clerk in writing.

This Order vacates Administrative Orders 2003-86, 2003-111, 2003-114, and 2006-18.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, this ____ day of February 2007.

WILLIAM J. ZLOCH

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished as follows:
See attached

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