2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MILLER & LAFAYETTE COUNTIES, ARKANSAS
EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT – SOUTH

In accordance with Administrative Order No. 14, adopted by the Supreme Court of Arkansas on April 6, 2001, the following Administrative Plan is hereby submitted for approval:

CIRCUIT COURT ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN

a. **Administrative Policy:** The circuit judges of the Eighth South Judicial Circuit shall meet semi-annually in January and July of each year, and at any other agreed upon times, to establish the case management and administrative procedures to be used within the Eighth South Judicial Circuit. All policies, procedures and/or amendments thereto must be signed and approved by a majority of the judges.

b. **Case Assignment and Allocation:** All civil, criminal, juvenile and domestic relations cases will be assigned by the Circuit Clerk. All probate cases will be assigned by the County Clerk. Both Clerks will utilize the random selection method established by the Eighth South Judicial District on November 30, 1998. Case Assignment Order # 4, signed by all three Circuit Judges (copy attached). This method assigns an equal apportionment of criminal, civil, domestic relations, juvenile and probate cases to each Judge. Petitions to Revoke a Probated or Suspended Sentence are treated as new cases and assigned accordingly. Reopened chancery/domestic relations cases are assigned to the Judge who had the original assignment.

c. **Caseload Estimate:** The random assignment of cases apportions the caseload equally among the Judges within the Eighth South Judicial Circuit. Caseloads will be reviewed at each of the regularly scheduled meetings to determine if a

workload imbalance exists, and if such an imbalance exists, an amended plan will be submitted to the Supreme Court for approval.

SIGNED AND SUBMITTED this 20 day of January, 2011.

JOE E. GRIFFIN
Circuit Judge – Division One

BRENT HALTOM
Circuit Judge – Division Two

KIRK D. JOHNSON
Circuit Judge – Division Three

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CASE ASSIGNMENT ORDER #5

The Division and Case Assignment Orders of September 1, 1989 (#1), August 1, 1990 (#2), August 14, 1991 (#3), and June 24, 2009 (#4) of the Eighth Judicial District are hereby replaced by Case Assignment Order #4 for the Eighth South Judicial District.

Effective December 1, 1998, all new cases will be assigned by the random selection method of 1/3 each to Division 1 – Judge Joe E. Griffin, Division 2 – Judge Brent Haltom and Division 3 – Judge Kirk Johnson. Said method is to be strictly adhered to by the Clerks, so that an equitable distribution of the cases can be maintained.

IT IS SO ORDERED this the 20th day of January, 2011.

JOE E. GRIFFIN
Circuit Judge – Division 1

Brent Haltom
BRENT HALTOM
Circuit Judge – Division 2

KIRK JOHNSON
Circuit Judge – Division 3