

**IN THE COURTS OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2019-36
(Vacates ECAD2017-01, ECAD2017-04, and ECAD2018-12)**

RE:

- **FAMILY LAW**
- **MAGISTRATES**

**REALIGNMENT OF FAMILY LAW DIVISIONS
REASSIGNMENT OF SL, SM, and SP CASES**

ORDER

WHEREAS, it is necessary to utilize the resources of the magistrates in Escambia County by periodically evaluating the workload and assignments of the Magistrates; and

WHEREAS, it is periodically necessary to adjust the process by which Family Law cases are assigned; it is

ORDERED that:

REASSIGNMENT OF DIVISION “SL,” “SM,” and “SP” CASES:

1. The workload and assignment of one Magistrate in Escambia County shall be allocated and assigned to the Child Support Enforcement division until further order of this Court.
2. With the exception of cases listed on the attached Exhibit “A,” and, effective upon entry of this order, the Clerk of Court is to reassign all Division “SL” cases, both open and reopened, to Division “YL.”
3. With the exception of cases listed on the attached Exhibit “A,” remaining open and reopened cases currently assigned to Division “SM” and Division “SP” shall be reassigned as follows:

Assign 34% of the collective total of SM and SP cases to Division “M.”

Assign 66% of the collective total of SM and SP cases to Division "P"

4. The cases listed on Exhibit "A" attached hereto shall remain assigned to Magistrate Hubley until an Order of Reassignment in each case is entered and filed by the Chief Judge.

REALIGNMENT OF FAMILY LAW DIVISIONS IN ESCAMBIA:

5. The Clerk shall reestablish a division to be known as "Division L3." Judge Amy Brodersen shall be temporarily assigned to preside over Division "L3."
6. "Pro Se" filings are defined as any Family Law case filed which commences a new cases wherein the petitioner is "pro se."
7. All new *pro se* case filings shall be assigned to Divisions "M," "P," and "YL" as follows:
 - 33% to Division M by random selection
 - 34% to Division P by random selection
 - 33% to Division YL by random selection
8. Any "YL" *pro se* cases in which either party objects to the assignment of the case to the Magistrate shall be assigned to Division "L3."
9. Effective upon entry of this order, thirty-three percent (33%) of the following newly filed Family Law case types shall be assigned to Division "L3:"
 - Adoption
 - Name Change
 - Simplified Dissolution
 - Termination of Parent Rights
 - UIFSA Registration
10. Effective upon entry of this order, thirty-three percent (33%) of the following

newly filed Family Law case types shall be assigned to Division "M3:"

Adoption
Name Change
Simplified Dissolution
Termination of Parent Rights
UIFSA Registration

11. Effective upon entry of this order, thirty-three percent (34%) of the following newly filed Family Law case types shall be assigned to Division "P:"

Adoption
Name Change
Simplified Dissolution
Termination of Parent Rights
UIFSA Registration

12. At such time an existing closed case assigned to Division "SL" wherein the petitioner and the respondent are *pro se* is presented for "reopen" active status, the case shall be assigned to Division "YL."
13. At such time an existing closed case assigned to Division "SM" wherein the petitioner and the respondent are *pro se* is presented for "reopen" active status, the case shall be assigned to Division "M."
14. At such time an existing closed case assigned to Division "SP" wherein the petitioner and the respondent are *pro se* is presented for "reopen" active status, the case shall be assigned to Division "P."
15. At such time an existing closed case assigned to Division "L" wherein the petitioner and the respondent are *pro se* is presented for "reopen" active status, the case shall be assigned to Division "YL" and an Order of Referral to General Magistrate shall immediately be entered pursuant to ECAD2017-05.
16. Effective upon entry of this order, case filings which commence a new Family

Law case other than those described above shall be assigned as follows:

Twenty-five percent (25%) to Division "L"
Twenty-eight percent (28%) to Division "M"
Twenty-eight percent (28%) to Division "P"
Nine percent (9%) to Division "YL"
Five percent (5%) to Division "YM"
Five percent (5%) to Division "YP"

17. Petitions for injunctions against dating violence, repeat violence, domestic violence, sexual violence, and stalking shall be assigned as follows:

Twenty-Five percent (25%) to Division "L"
Twenty-Five percent (25%) to Division "M"
Twenty-Five percent (25%) to Division "P"
Twenty-Five percent (25%) to Division III

18. **RELATED CASES**

Upon the filing of a new Family Law case it is found by the Clerk of Court to be related to a domestic violence ("DV") case assigned to Division III, the Clerk of Court shall assign the newly filed Family Law case as follows:

Twenty-five percent (25%) to Division "L"
Twenty-eight percent (28%) to Division "M"
Twenty-eight percent (28%) to Division "P"
Nine percent (9%) to Division "YL"
Five percent (5%) to Division "YM"
Five percent (5%) to Division "YP"

DONE AND ORDERED in Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida this 22nd day of August, 2019.



JOHN L. MILLER
CHIEF JUDGE

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