

**IN THE COURTS OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2017-46

IN RE: REALIGNMENT OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY DIVISION “C”

ORDER

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 2.215(b)(3), *Florida Rules of Judicial Administration*, the undersigned Chief Judge has the authority to establish case management strategies for the efficiency of docket control; and

WHEREAS, a realignment of Escambia Circuit general jurisdiction Division “C” is necessary for the efficient and economic use of judicial resources and court staff resources; it is

ORDERED that:

1. Effective January 16, 2018, Escambia County Circuit Division “C” shall cease operation as a general jurisdiction division and shall be assigned only criminal cases until further order of this Court.
2. Criminal cases assigned to Division “C” on January 16, 2018 shall remain assigned to Division “C.”
3. Effective January 16, 2018, and pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2017-44, the Escambia Clerk of Court shall reassign all probate and guardianship cases assigned to Division “C” to Division “T”.
4. Effective December 1, 2017, the Escambia Clerk of Court shall reassign all civil cases assigned to Division “C” on December 1, 2017 by random assignment to each

of the remaining general jurisdiction divisions in Escambia County.

DONE AND ORDERED in Escambia County, Florida this 17th day of October, 2017.

/S/ **LINDA L. NOBLES**

LINDA L. NOBLES, CHIEF JUDGE

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