

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

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE ECAD 2009-04

**IN RE: REASSIGNMENT OF DIVISION "K" PROBATE
AND GUARDIANSHIP CASES**

WHEREAS, the duties and responsibilities of Chief Judge have increased over the years;
and

WHEREAS, these duties and responsibilities are creating additional time demands upon
the Chief Judge which adversely impact the time available to address daily docket demands; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to adjust the Chief Judge's caseload so that all of that
judge's duties and responsibilities can be satisfied; it is

ORDERED that:

1. Effective November 1, 2009, no newly filed Probate or Guardianship cases shall be
assigned to Division "K."

2. Effective November 1, 2009, all Probate and Guardianship cases pending in
Division "K" shall be reassigned by the Clerk of Court to the remaining General Jurisdiction
Divisions in equal numbers or as close to equal numbers as is possible.

3. For those Division "K" Probate and Guardianship cases where hearings are already
scheduled as of the date of this order, Division "K" shall continue to preside over those hearings.
All future hearings must be scheduled in the newly assigned divisions.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers, Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida, this 8th day
of October, 2009.

Signed by: Paul Rasmussen, Administrative Judge